





# Welcome to Winter/Spring 2017/5777 at PAS

Park Avenue Synagogue welcomes all adults and children, wherever they may be on their Jewish journey. In this Program Catalog you will find a full range of religious, educational, social, and cultural activities and events. We hope that these programs – on Shabbat and everyday – will inspire you to create deep connections with each other, our Torah, our God, the people and State of Israel, and our wider community. With a shared sense that we are all created in God's image, we embrace our diversity. We are interested in discussing with you any accommodations you may need to make your visit and involvement at PAS more comfortable. For questions or assistance, you may contact Rachel Benichak, Membership Manager, at rbenichak@pasyn.org or x195. Please visit pasyn.org for updated information about all worship opportunities and programming. While you are on the website, sign up for congregational emails by clicking on "Email Sign-up" under Our Events.







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# Worship Opportunities

### **WEEKDAYS**

See the Bulletin and pasyn.org for exceptions.

### **Shaharit**

Monday-Friday | 7:15 am Sundays and various civic holidays | 9:00 am

### Minha/Ma'ariv

Sunday-Thursday | 5:45 pm

During the time of year when it becomes dark earlier than 6:00 pm, we do not say a full Minha service. After a psalm and kaddish, we say the Ma'ariv service. During the time of year when it becomes dark after 6:00 pm, we say Minha at 5:45 pm.

Can't make it to the synagogue? PAS services are livestreamed. Visit pasyn.org/webcast.

### **SHABBAT AT PAS**

Jewish mysticism teaches that the Sabbath is a foretaste of the world to come. Every other day of the week, we stand aware of the gap between the world as it is and as it ought to be; the difference between who we are and who we seek to be. Once a week, by way of acts of learning, prayer, and community building, we are extended the opportunity to close the gap – filling our lives with acts of sanctified living.

Shabbat at PAS includes worship, parashah study, music, lectures, discussions, support groups, and celebrations from Friday evening through Saturday evening. Look for Shabbat at PAS throughout this Program Catalog and in the monthly Bulletin to identify Shabbat programming. Find your entrée into Shabbat at PAS, and commit to making Shabbat a sacred pause in the rhythm of your week.

### **Erev Shabbat**

### **Kabbalat Shabbat and Shabbat Evening**

Friday | 6:15 pm

Recharge your spirit as we welcome Shabbat. Dress informally if you like for our musical, lively, family friendly service. A live band adds rhythm and moves everyone to sing along. The warmth continues whether we schmooze and enjoy a sweet treat before going home for Shabbat dinner or stay for a Shabbat dinner with the community.

- Kabbalat Shabbat and Dinners for Families with Young Children | Jan 6, 27; Feb 10; Mar 3; May 19 | 5:00 pm (p. 27)
- Ramah Minyan | Jan 13, Feb 10, Mar 3, Apr 7, May 5, Jun 9 | 7:15 pm (p. 38)
- · Covenanting Group Dinner | Jan 20, May 12
- Shabbat in the Round | Feb 3, Mar 31 | 6:30 pm (p. 21)
- Kabbalat Shabbat Honoring PAS Membership Anniversaries | Feb 10 | 6:15 pm | We will honor members who have joined PAS since May 2016, 5-year members, and 25-year members. Milestone members will receive personal invitations. Everyone is invited to come say mazal tov!
- Shabbat Dinner for Jewish Disabilities Awareness & Inclusion Month (JDAIM) | Feb 10 | 7:30 pm | with guest speaker Dr. Dan Gottlieb
- · Adult Learning Shabbat Dinner Series | Mar 24, May 12 | 7:30 pm (p. 13)
- · Rock Kabbalat Shabbat | Apr 7 | 6:15 pm (p. 21)
- Prelude to Shabbat: Music and Conversation with Colin Fowler | Apr 21 | 5:30 pm (p. 21)
- · Congregational School Kabbalat Shabbat Friday Evening Experience | Apr 21 (p. 32)
- PASECC Family Shabbat | May 5 (p. 31)



### SHABBAT AT PAS

### **Shabbat Morning**

### **Early Worship and Study**

- Hashkamah Minyan | 7:30 am | A traditional service and full Torah reading, all in Hebrew, at a pace that is comfortable for experienced daveners, and a kiddush afterwards.
- Shaharit and Parashat HaShavua | 9:00 am | PAS Rabbis | Join in a full and traditional P'sukei D'zimrah and Shaharit and an engaging study of the morning's Torah portion. When there is a Havurah service, this service merges with that one.
- PAS Youth Choir | On days when Congregational School meets | 9:30 am | Eliana Light (p. 21)
- Window on Israel | Once/month | Rabbi Neil Zuckerman and guests | Hear perceptive presentations and join in dynamic discussion of critical issues concerning Israel.
- Healing Service | Jan 21, Feb 11, Apr 8 | 9:00 am | Rabbi Neil Zuckerman and Cantor Shira Lissek | We all experience brokenness and broken hearts at some time, and we are all on a path to healing. Bringing hope and solace whether you are praying for yourself, for a loved one, for our community, or for the world, the service will include music, poems, reflections, time for sharing, and prayers specifically for healing.
- Yad Squad | Jan 28, Feb 25, Apr 22, May 13 |
   9:15 am | Cantor Shira Lissek | Yad Squad is a community of Torah readers. Participants meet to learn and practice so that they'll have confidence and sound like a pro. There will be chances to read Torah, Haftarah, and Megillot on Shabbat and holidays throughout the year.

### **Community Shabbat Worship**

- · Sanctuary Service | Every Shabbat | 9:45 am
- Tot Tefillah | Jan 14, Feb 25, Apr 29, May 13 | 10:00-10:45 am (p. 27)
- Havurah | Jan 14, Feb 25, Mar 25, Apr 22, May 20, Jun 10 | 9:00 am | The Havurah is a lay-led, child-friendly Shabbat morning service open to individuals and families of all ages who want an intimate and informal prayer experience. We invite people of all skill levels to participate by leading a part of the service, reading Torah or Haftarah, or by facilitating a Torah discussion.
- Learners Minyan | Jan 21, Feb 4, Mar 4, Apr 1, May 5 | 10:15 am | Bryan Wexler, Rabbinical Intern, and guests | Learn about the meaning and choreography of the Shabbat morning service. Become more comfortable with the Hebrew text and PAS tunes. Using Siddur Lev Shalem, we will learn, discuss, and pray, becoming a community of pray-ers. No prior knowledge of prayers or Hebrew necessary.
- UJA Shabbat | Feb 11 (p. 11)
- · Seminary Shabbat | May 6 (p. 11)

# Congregational School Shabbat Experience

Jan 7, 21, 28; Feb 4, 11; Mar 4, 25; Apr 1, 8, 22, 29; May 6, 13 | 10:00 am-12:00 pm (p. 32)

### Shabbat/Saturday Afternoon

### **Early Afternoon**

- Shabbat Minha | 20 minutes after the Shabbat morning service
- Post-Kiddush Learning | Once/month | 12:30 pm

### Late Afternoon

- Teen A Cappella | Jan 7, 28; Feb 4, 25; Apr 8, 22 | 3:00 pm (p. 21)
- Parent and Teen Shabbat Study with Rabbi Cosgrove | Jan 7, Feb 11, Mar 11, Apr 22, May 20 | 4:00 pm (p. 35)
- Hazzan's Tisch | Jan 21, Mar 4 | 4:30 pm (p. 21)
- Havdalah for Families with Young Children | Jan 21, Feb 4 | 5:00 pm (p. 28)
- Day School Community Havdalah | Feb 4 | 5:00 pm (p. 40)
- Vav Book Club | Mar 4 | 4:00 pm (p. 33)

### **HOLIDAYS**

Consult pasyn.org and the Bulletin for full schedules of holiday services.

### PURIM 5777 AT PAS

Rock on! Two days of fun, festive, and fabulous Purim antics!



### Spiel and Megillah Reading

Sat | Mar 11

5:30 pm | Pre-Purim Party | Youth & Day School Community

6:45 pm | Ma'ariv & Havdalah

7:00 pm | Spiel: Shul of Rock 8:00 pm | Megillah Reading

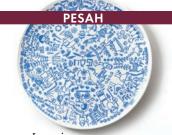
9:00 pm | Teen Purim Party & Ice Cream Social (p. 36)

Bring your air guitar and dress for a rock party. What would Esther have worn to a Zeppelin concert? Imagine Mordechai as a Rolling Stone. If nothing else, come as yourself wearing a flamboyant hat, an outrageous tie, or a widelapel jacket. Bring money to put in our giant community tzedakah box for *matanot l'evyonim*, Purim gifts to the poor.

# Megillah Reading, YFE Purim, and Carnival

Sun | Mar 12

9:00 am | Morning service with Torah reading and Megillah all over again 11:15 am | YFE Purim Service (p. 28) 12:00 pm | Purim Carnival (p. 34)



Passover Learning

# Commemorating Both Servitude and Redemption: The Dialectic of the Passover Seder

Thu | Mar 30 | 7:00 pm Rabbi Jacob J. Schacter



Rabbi Jacob J. (JJ) Schacter is Professor of Jewish History and Jewish Thought at Yeshiva University and a Senior Scholar in YU's Center for

the Jewish Future. He holds a PhD in Near Eastern Languages from Harvard University and received ordination from Yeshiva Torah Vodaas.

Cost: Free/members; \$18/general

### Women's Seder

Mon | Apr 3 | 6:30 pm

All women of PAS are invited to a transformational seder experience celebrating the dramatic impact women have had on our Jewish past and present.

Cost: TBA

### PAS Community Seders

- 1st Night | Mon | Apr 10 | 7:00 pm | Rabbi Zuckerman and Cantor Lissek
- 2nd Night | Tue | Apr 11 | 7:00 pm | Rabbi Witkovsky and Cantor Brook

Cost: \$95/ member; \$140/general; \$60/child under age 8

**Register** at www.pasyn.org by Monday, April 3. Space is limited.

# Seder for Families with Young Children

Tue | Apr 11 | 5:00 pm (p. 28)

### YOM HASHOAH

Mon | Apr 24 | 6:15 pm

The community comes together to honor the memory of those who suffered during and after the Holocaust. Survival stories of congregants' parents and grandparents are interwoven with music and prayer. Survivors are invited to light candles before the service.

### YOM HAATZMA'UT

Mon | May 1



Plan to celebrate Israel's 69th Independence Day with PAS and the UES community. Watch for more information.

### <u>SHAVUOT</u>

Tue | May 30 | Erev Shavuot 7:30 pm | Minha

8:00 pm | Tikkun Leil Shavuot: Speaker TBA

9:15 pm | Festival evening service followed by cheesecake 9:45 pm | 20s & 30s Midnight Tikkun

Wed | May 31 | Shavuot, Day 1 9:15 am | Festival service 10:00 am | YFE Shavuot service

Thu | Jun 1 | Shavuot, Day 2 9:15 am | Festival service with Yizkor After services | Day School Community Picnic in the Park (p. 40)

# Community Programs



Shabbat at PAS

Shabbaton 2017/5777 Taking the Pulse of the American Jewish Community: Zionism, Justice and Freedom Fri-Sat | Jan 27-28

How does American Jewry's historic commitment to Zionism, constitutional freedoms, and civil rights shape our community today and into the future? Spend Shabbat with the PAS community from Kabbalat Shabbat through the afternoon. From tots to teens to adults, join in worship, learn from distinguished teachers, participate in discussion, enjoy exciting entertainment, and share meals and conversation. Don't miss it!



Jeffrey Rosen, CEO and President of the National Constitution Center and author



**Deborah Lauter,** Senior Vice President, Policy and Programs, ADL



Neshama Carlebach, Guest Artist

For details, see the accompanying January Bulletin. To view full schedule and bios, costs, and to register, visit pasyn.org/shabbaton2017 or call 212-369-4900, x143.

Shabbat at PAS / Sponsored by UJA@PAS

# UJA Shabbat with Jeff Schoenfeld Sat | Feb 11 | Sanctuary Service | 9:45 am



Jeff Schoenfeld serves as President of UJA-Federation of New York, the largest local philanthropy in the world. He previously served as Co-chair of UJA's Annual Campaign and Chair of UJA's Caring Commission, overseeing human service and community building programs

in New York, Israel, and the former Soviet Union.

L'Chaim!
Cheers to 13 Years of Galas at PAS!
Thursday, March 2

### PAS 13th Annual Gala

L'Chaim! Cheers to 13 Years of Galas at PAS! Thu | Mar 2 | 6:30 pm

Shabbat at PAS / Sponsored by JTS@PAS

# **Seminary Shabbat**Chancellor Arnold Eisen, JTS

Chancellor Arnold Eisen, JTS
Sat | May 6 | Sanctuary Service | 9:45 am



**Arnold M. Eisen**, one of the world's foremost authorities on American Judaism, is the seventh chancellor of JTS. Since taking office in 2007, Chancellor Eisen has transformed and enhanced JTS's notable reputation and global reach.



### PAS 135th Annual Meeting

Tue | May 16 | 6:00 pm

Art Penn, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, will present the Annual Report reviewing the activities of the congregation during the past year, as well as our exciting plans for the future. We will hear a Treasurer's Report and elect Officers, Trustees, and Advisory Council members. A light reception will follow the meeting.



### **Celebrate Israel Parade**

Sun | Jun 4

Show your support for Israel together with the PAS community. We will march up Fifth Avenue along with thousands of others – an exhilarating experience each and every year. Details to come on pasyn.org and in the May and June Bulletins.

# Department of Adult Learning

The Department of Adult Learning at Park Avenue Synagogue invites you to experience Judaism on a new level. You can take a year-long course or a single class, come to the annual Shabbaton, The Park Avenue Synagogue Conversation, or the Shabbat Dinner Series. There are classes at all levels of learning. Our clergy, teachers, and guest speakers are dedicated to helping you develop and strengthen your relationship to Judaism. We look forward to learning together! For more information, contact Beth Levick, Manager of Synagogue Programming, at blevick@pasyn.org or 212-369-4900, x146.



### **PROGRAMS**

Shabbat at PAS

### Window on Israel with Rabbi Zuckerman & Guests

Sat | Once/month | 9:00 am

### **Post-Kiddush Learning**

Sat | 12:30 pm

Watch pasyn.org, the Bulletin, and email for announcements.

From Jewdapest to Jerusalem: How the Seeds of Jewish Budapest **Have Taken Root in** Contemporary Israeli **Literature and Society** 

Mon | May 8 | TBA Dr. Rachel Korazim

Cost: Free/members; \$18/non-members

### SHABBAT DINNER SERIES

The Shabbat Dinner Series provides congregants with an opportunity to join together in prayer, share a meal as a community, and learn from noted scholars and rabbis on topics of social, intellectual and spiritual interest. Kabbalat Shabbat begins at 6:15 pm, followed by dinner at approximately 7:30 pm.

**Registration is required** by the Monday before the dinner. Space is limited.

**Cost:** \$46/members; \$66/general; \$32/children under 12

### Jewish and Democratic? The Challenges Facing Israel's Future

Fri | Mar 24 Yohanan Plesner

Yohanan Plesner is the President of the Israel Democracy Institute, an independent, non-partisan "think and do tank" dedicated to strengthening the foundations of Israeli democracy. Established in 1991, IDI supports Israel's elected officials, civil servants, and opinion leaders with policy research, public forums, and promotion



of the values and norms vital for Israel's identity as a Jewish and democratic state. Yohanan Plesner has previously served in the Israeli

government, in the Kadima Party, and as a Member of Knesset. In 2012 Plesner headed the committee charged with formulating a new model for national service in Israel. The committee produced a comprehensive blueprint for the resolution of one of the most important and complex social-economic challenges facing the State of Israel. Plesner holds a BA from the Hebrew University in Jerusalem and an MPA from Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government.

# A Night at the Opera with Peter Gelb

In conversation with Cantor Schwartz Fri | May 12

Mr. Gelb, General Manager of the Metropolitan Opera, will connect the opera world with traditional hazzanut and everything in between.

Prior to joining the Met, **Peter Gelb** served as President of the Sony Classical record label and as President



of CAMI Video.
Under his leadership,
the Met has launched
several new
initiatives, including
The Met: Live in
HD; a new opera
commissioning

program; and a 24-hour Met Radio station on Sirius XM. Mr. Gelb has won Emmy, Grammy, and Peabody Awards, the Sanford Prize from the Yale School of Music, and France's Chevalier de la Légion d'Honneur.

**To register for the Shabbat Dinner Series,** go to www.pasyn.org and click on "Adult Education." Then click on "Shabbat Dinner Series" on the left side of the page. Those without internet access may call 212-369-4900, x146.

To register for Adult Education classes, unless otherwise noted, go to pasyn.org/classes. Those without internet access may call 212-369-4900, x159.

### Monday

### Hebrew

For information about other Hebrew opportunities, please contact Leah Volynsky at lvolynsky@pasyn.org or 212-369-4900, x159.

### **Shulhan Ivrit**

Mon | Feb 13, Mar 20, Apr 24, May 15 | 7:00-8:30 pm Varda Hubara

Intermediate and advanced level
Hebrew speakers are invited to
practice conversational Hebrew.
Come to one session or come to
all

### Tuesday

### **Essential Essays**

Tue | continues Jan 10 (no class on Feb 21; Apr 11, 18) | 8:00 am, after morning minyan

### Rabbi Elliot Cosgrove

Join in a discussion of Jewish philosophy, theology, and thought. Pick up each week's essay from the literature rack in the lobby, or receive it via a weekly email. To be added to the email distribution list, please contact gfier@pasyn.org or 212-369-4900, x120.

### Contemporary Jewish Thought

Tue | continues Jan 10 (no class on Feb 21; Mar 21, 28; Apr 11, 18) | 11:30 am–12:30 pm Rabbi Neil Zuckerman

Discuss issues in contemporary Jewish experience and thought.

The PAS Conversation

# What it Means to Belong to the Jewish People

Tue | Mar 7, Apr 4, May 23 | 7:00–8:15 pm Rabbi Neil Zuckerman

Who identifies as a Jew, and whom does the Jewish community recognize as a Jew? The Pew Study highlighted challenges and opportunities to engage Jews who may previously have been marginalized and/or left behind by the Jewish community. With guest speakers, readings, and video clips, we will dialogue with Jewish thought leaders to consider how this critical issue affects our families, our community, and the wider Jewish world.

Tuesday

The PAS Conversation

# Zionism – Past, Present, and Future

Tue | Jan 17, Mar 14, May 9 | 6:30–7:45 pm Rabbi Elliot Cosgrove

One hundred years after Balfour and fifty years after the Six-Day War, we turn our attention to the Zionist idea – past, present and future. We will survey some of the founding Zionist thinkers, trace their ideas over time, and ask the all-important question of where to go from here.

Cost: Free/members; \$36/general

### Wednesday

# **Traveling Down Prophets Lane**

Wed | begins Jan 4 | 8:00 am, after morning minyan Abe Lebovic

The melodious Haftorah readings each week are selections from the Prophets that are matched to each Torah reading and holiday. Find out what these poignantly poetic words actually mean.

# Midtown Lunch & Learn: "As the Good Book Says"

Wed | Mar 1, 8, 15, 22 | 12:30–1:30 pm | Location provided upon registration Rabbi Charlie Savenor

While the Torah is filled with stories that shape our character and values, some of our favorite biblical stories actually come from the Midrash. We will unpack several texts to understand their source and original intent and their meaning today. Space is limited.

Cost: Free/members; \$36/general

Wednesday

### Blessings of Time, Space, and Community: Learning & Art Workshops

Wed | Jan 11 | 6:30–8:00 pm | Blessings of Time | Rabbi Charlie Savenor

Wed | Jan 18 | 6:30–8:00 pm | Blessings of Space | Rabbi Neil Zuckerman

Wed | Jan 25 | 6:30–8:00 pm | Blessings of Community | Cantor Rachel Brook

In each session, we will study blessings: when they are used, how they are structured, and their power for making ritual. Class members will then write their own blessing and create an art piece with Ellen Alt, Artist-in-Residence. Sign up for any one, two, or all three sessions.

Cost: \$40/member, \$50/general for all three workshops; \$15/members, \$20/general for each workshop



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### The Florence Melton School of Adult Jewish Learning at PAS

The Florence Melton School of Adult Jewish Learning (Melton) builds Jewish literacy through a sophisticated, intellectually stimulating, text-based curriculum for students of all levels and Jewish backgrounds.

Melton classes will run contingent on registration. Each class has a minimum registration of 17 and a maximum registration of 25 students. A waitlist will be maintained once a class reaches maximum registration.

### **CORE PROGRAM**

The Melton core curriculum is a series of text-based lessons designed by expert educators at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. The two-year course meets most weeks from September to June.

Registration for this year's program is closed. Please consider joining a class next fall.

### **Melton: Year 1**

Thu | continues Jan 5 | 9:15–11:30 am Rabbi Elliot Cosgrove and Debbie Cosgrove

Learn what we as Jews believe and why in *Purposes of Jewish Living*. Examine the ideas, beliefs and lifecycle and holiday practices involved in living Jewishly in *Rhythms of Jewish Living*.

### Melton: Year 2

Wed | continues Jan 4 | 7:00–9:15 pm Rabbi Shmuel Afek and Rabbi Ethan Witkovsky

In Ethics of Jewish Living, students learn how Jewish teachings shed light on contemporary issues such as the environment, inter-personal relationships, end-of-life decisions and stem-cell research. Crossroads of Jewish History merges the concepts of history and memory in order to better understand how each has shaped Judaism.

### MELTON & CONTEXT GRADUATE CLASSES

**Prerequisite:** Completion of Melton or Context core program.

Early Bird cost for 10-session courses (until January 6): \$285/member; \$345/general

# The Book of Job: How an Individual Found Solace and a New Understanding of God's World

Wed | continues Feb 1 | 6:30-7:45 pm Rabbi Shmuel Afek

Registration for this class is closed.

Rachel Wasserman Scholars Curriculum of Melton

# The Holocaust as Reflected in Diaries and Memoirs

Wed | begins Feb 1 | 6:30-7:45 pm | 10 sessions

Rabbi Charlie Savenor

Journey into the world of Jewish individuals and communities as the events of the Holocaust unfold around them. Explore the profound record of first-person accounts in diaries and memoirs uncovered in the years since the Holocaust and gain remarkable insights into the struggle for life as both young and old writers describe day-to-day life coping in the ghettoes, imprisoned in the death camps, hiding on the run, and fighting for their lives.

Melton & Context Graduate Classes

### What Makes You Think You're So Special? Who Is Chosen, by Whom and for What, in the Hebrew Bible Thu | begins Feb 2 | 9:15-10:30 am Dr. Diane Sharon

How do biblical characters know they are chosen? What are they chosen for? Is being chosen different for men and women? Who is choosing? A son may be the darling of either his mother or his father, but not both. God seems to prefer younger siblings over firstborns, but not always. Wives are favored either by God or by their husbands, but not both. What can we learn about chosenness from both familiar and obscure biblical figures?

### The Ethical Life: Jewish Values in an Age of Choice

Thu | begins Feb 2 | 9:15-10:30 am | 10 sessions

Rabbi Neil Zuckerman

From political and financial scandals to rapid progress in biomedical science and technology, the complex issues of modern society are matters of ethical and moral concern. Judaism has always wrestled with moral questions, considering all sides of every subject. This course from The Jewish Theological Seminary provides a contemporary understanding of how Jewish ethics can inform our discussions and decisions about critical questions.

### **MELTON PARENTING** CLASS

### **Foundations of Jewish Family** Living: Jewish Values for Parents to Share with Their Children

Wed | continues Jan 11 | 7:00-8:00 pm Rabbi Neil Zuckerman

Registration for this class is closed.

### CLASSES

Thursday

### Library Lunch & Learn Thu | Jan 5, 19; Feb 2, 16; Mar 2, 16, Apr 6, 20; May 4, 18 | 12:00-12:45 pm

On the first Thursday of the month, a member of the PAS senior staff leads the session: on the third Thursday, a DOROT staff member leads. Topics range from Jewish history to current events. Join us, and bring a friend!

### Insights from Israel

Thu | Jan 12, Feb 9, Mar 9, Apr 27, May 11, Jun 8 | 12:00-1:00 pm Rabbi Michael Graetz

Meeting with Rabbi Graetz and his guests via Skype, we explore pressing issues affecting Israel. Rabbi Graetz is a co-founder of the Masorti (Conservative) movement in Israel and was guest scholar and interim rabbi at PAS in 2008-09.

Sponsored by the Rabbinical Assembly

### **Exploring Judaism**

Thu 7:00–9:30 pm | ongoing classes | various locations

Rabbi William Plevan | through Apr 6 Rabbi Joel Shaiman | through June

Exploring Judaism is a program of Jewish learning and experience intended for those interested in learning more about Judaism, as well as considering or pursuing conversion.

For information about future classes, contact Rabbi Zuckerman at nzuckerman@ pasyn.org or 212-369-4900, x124, or visit http:// exploringjudaism.org.

Thursday

### Parashah & Pizza

Mon | Jan 23 | 7:00—8:15 pm | Bryan Wexler, Rabbinical Intern Thu | Feb 23 | | 7:00—8:15 pm | Rabbi Neil Zuckerman Thu | Mar 23 | Bryan Wexler

Enjoy a slice of pizza and learn about the Torah portion. Pizza generously sponsored by the Men's Club. Friday

# Daf HaShavua: Weekly Talmud Study

Fri | continuing Jan 6 | 8:00 am, after morning minyan

Rabbi Ethan Witkovsky

Reading through Masechet Megillah of the Talmud, we will explore the world of the Rabbis, their methodology, and how they shape us today.

### Women in the Bible

Fri | Feb 3, Mar 24, May 12 | 9:15– 10:15 am Debbie Cosgrove

Through engaging texts, we will study the lives of both familiar and not-so-familiar women who populate the biblical narrative.

**Cost:** \$36/members; \$46/general for all three classes.

### Caffeine for the Soul

Fri | Jan 13, Feb 10, Mar 3, Apr 21, May 19 | 9:15–10:15 am Rabbi Elliot Cosgrove

Join the rabbi for a cup of coffee, Jewish texts, and a substantive learning experience. Saturday

For classes and other learning opportunities on Shabbat, see Shabbat at PAS (p. 7)

To register for Adult Education classes, unless otherwise noted, go to pasyn.org/classes. Those without internet access may call 212-369-4900, x159.



# Music Center

The PAS Music Center offers people of all ages and tastes different ways to become engaged with a vibrant and dynamic community through music.

Our gifted musicians partner with the cantors in the sacred mission of inspiring the congregation through music and song. Our prayers evolve with new melodies that accommodate the musical sensibilities of our generation. We commission liturgical settings from accomplished composers and make recordings of our current music.

When we sing together, we express emotions, connect to our roots, build deeper relationships, and give voice to our dreams. In services, concerts, or in our singing groups, in person or through our livestream, please join us and sing along, so that our music will resonate within the walls of our synagogue and beyond. For more information, contact Cantor Azi Schwartz at aschwartz@pasyn.org or 212-369-4900, x125.





Shabbaton with Guest Artist Neshama Carlebach Fri-Sat | Jan 27-28 (p. 10)

### Shabbat Dinner Series: A Night at the Opera with Peter Gelb

In conversation with Cantor Schwartz Fri | May 12 (p. 13)

Yom HaShoah Commemoration

Sun | Apr 23 | 6:15 pm (p. 9)

### **EVENTS**

Shabbat at PAS

### Yad Squad

Sat | Jan 28, Feb 25, Apr 22, May 13 | 9:15 am | Cantor Shira Lissek (p. 8)

Shabbat at PAS

### Hazzan's Tisch

Sat | Jan 21, Mar 4 | 4:30 pm

Savor the last part of Shabbat at Cantor Azi Schwartz's home. We'll schmooze, snack, sing, say Ma'ariv (the evening service) together, and end with Havdalah.

**Register** at pasyn.org or call 212-369-4900. x115.

Shabbat at PAS

# Shabbat in the Round with Eliana Light

Fri | Feb 3, Mar 31 | 6:30 pm
Join Director of Music Education
Eliana Light for an intimate,
spiritual, musical Kabbalat
Shabbat. To learn more, contact
Eliana at elight@pasyn.org.

Shabbat at PAS

### Prelude to Shabbat: Music and Conversation with Colin Fowler

Fri | Apr 21 | 5:30 pm

Ease yourself into Shabbat with wine, cheese, uplifting music, and explanatory notes from our Music Director.

### **ENSEMBLES**

### **Teen Rock Band**

**REHEARSALS** 

Thu | 6:00 pm

PERFORMANCE

Fri | Apr 7 | Rock Kabbalat Shabbat

The band meets once a week to practice and performs throughout the year. Confirm dates in the Bulletin and on pasyn.org. To learn more, contact Eliana at elight@pasyn.org.

Shabbat at PAS

### **PAS Youth Choir**

Sat | Jan 7, 21, 28; Feb 4, 11; Mar 4, 25; Apr 1, 8, 22, 29 | 9:30–9:55 am | Eliana Light

Children in grades K–5 are invited to start Shabbat morning with breakfast and singing. The choir meets before Congregational School and sings in services throughout the year. To learn more, contact Eliana at elight@pasyn.org.

Shabbat at PAS

### Teen A Cappella

Sat | Jan 7, 28; Feb 4, 25; Apr 8, 22 | 3:00 pm | Cantor Azi Schwartz

Sing, schmooze, and snack with friends at Cantor Schwartz's home. All teens are welcome; no singing experience required. *To learn more, contact Hallie Chandler at hchandler@pasyn.org.* 

### **Purim Spiel**

### **REHEARSALS**

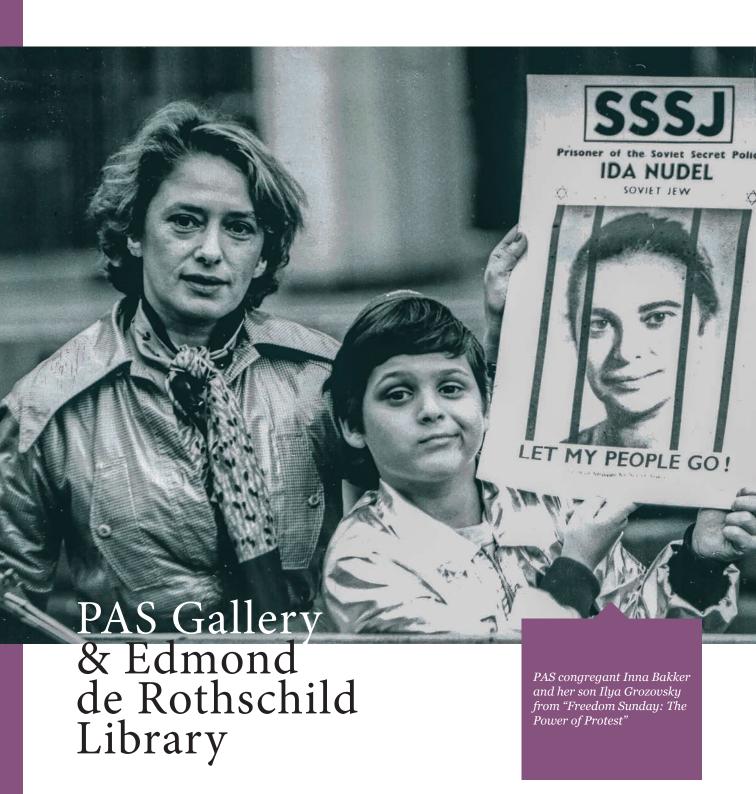
- · Sun | 10:30 am-12:30 pm Jan 8, 22, 29; Feb 5, 12, 26; Mar 5
- Thu | 7:00–9:00 pm Jan 12, 19; Feb 16, 23, Mar 9

### PERFORMANCE

Sat | Mar 11 | 4:00-8:00 pm (Purim Spiel) Sun | Mar 12 | 10:00 am (YFE Purim)

For more information, contact Phyllis Spiro at pspiro@pasyn.org.





### GALLERY

# Freedom Sunday: The Power of Protest

Jan-Apr Opening Reception | Wed | Jan 18 | 6:30 pm

On December 6, 1987, an estimated crowd of 250,000 Jews and their supporters gathered at a march and rally on the Mall in Washington DC to demonstrate their solidarity with Soviet Jewry. This massive undertaking was achieved through the hard work and cooperation of a broad-based coalition of Jewish organizations such as the National Conference on Soviet Jewry, the Greater New York Coalition on Soviet Jewry, UJA, and many others. The event, known as "Freedom Sunday," took place on the eve of the first summit meeting in the US capital between Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev and President Ronald Reagan. It marked the apex of the movement to free Soviet Jewry. Shortly after this historic gathering, Soviet Jews received the right to leave and eventually they flocked in large numbers to Israel, the United States, and elsewhere.

The exhibition uses art, texts, and artifacts to commemorate the enormous contributions of members of our own community to bring about the success of Freedom Sunday. The exhibit also acknowledges the stories of Russian émigrés in our community who experienced first-hand the hardships of life as Jews in the Soviet Union and the challenges of starting new lives in the United States. To supplement the texts in the exhibition, excerpts from sermons and speeches in the Shapiro Audio Archive will be available for listening on the PAS website.

### LIBRARY

### Hours

Visit the Rothschild Library anytime at pasyn.org/rothschildlibrary.

### **Librarian Hours**

Monday-Thursday | 10:00–6:30 pm Friday | by appointment

The library is closed during some classes; see the Bulletin for dates and times.

Otherwise, whenever the synagogue is open, the library is open.

A lending library where PAS members may borrow books and DVDs, the Rothschild Library has a rich collection of books on the Bible, holidays, theology, guides to Jewish living, and Israel, as well as fiction, poetry, and short stories, for both adults and children.

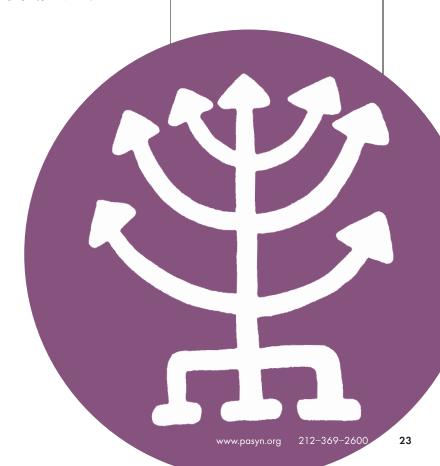
When a librarian is not in, follow the posted instructions for checking out and returning books. For more information, contact Library Director Marga Hirsch at mhirsch@pasyn.org or 212-369-4900, x127.

Sponsored by the Rothschild Library

# **Evening Book Discussion Group**

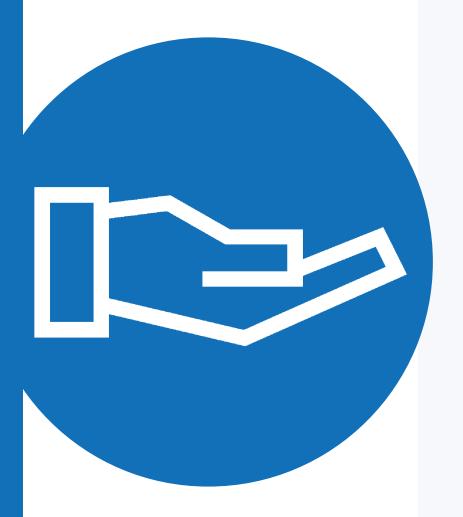
Mon | 8:00–9:00 pm Facilitator: Pat Davidson

- Jan 9: Moonglow: A Novel by Michael Chabon
- Feb 27: Two She-Bears: A Novel by Meir Shalev
- · Mar 27: TBA
- · May 15: Judas by Amos Oz



# Caring Network

The Caring Network seeks to nurture individuals and families at moments of sorrow and joy. As part of our effort to foster a caring community, the Caring Network provides support, solace, and hope to congregants and their families during times of illness, suffering, loss and grief. We also reach out to families during joyful transitions – birth, adolescence, marriage and beyond. For more information, contact Rabbi Neil Zuckerman at nzuckerman@pasyn. org or 212-369-4900, x124.



### ONGOING INITIATIVES

Generously supported in loving memory of Dr. Albert and Phyllis L. Cornell

### Bikur Cholim Caring Committee

The PAS Bikur Cholim Caring Committee reaches out to people in need through telephone calls, visits, and holiday packages. The committee is comprised of trained volunteers committed to providing confidential, hands-on support and companionship to members of our congregation. If you or anyone you know could benefit from the Caring Committee, please contact Rabbi Zuckerman.

Provided by The Jewish Board's Partners in Caring Program via UJA-Federation of New York

# Social Work Support for PAS Members and Their Families

Tuesday | by appointment



Shira Felberbaum, LMSW, is available to address issues such as loss and bereavement;

illness; professional and personal transitions (retirement, unemployment, underemployment, divorce, marriage, birth, adoption); addiction and recovery; and parenting children with special needs, including mental health challenges. For more information or to make an appointment, contact Shira at sfelberbaum@jbfcs.org or 212-632-4735.

Provided by DOROT's Partners in Caring Program via UJA-Federation of New York

### Social Work Support for PAS Seniors and

Caregivers
By appointment



Our DOROT social worker, Yael Kornfeld, LMSW, can help you find meaningful intergenerational

friendships; shopping assistance; a travel companion to a medical appointment; information about computer lessons, cultural activities, classes over the phone, wellness and fitness classes at DOROT; a volunteer opportunity; or caregiver support for yourself or a family member.

For more information or to make an appointment, contact Yael at ykornfeld@dorotusa.org or 212-769-2850. Provided by The Jewish Board's Partners in Caring Program

## Bereavement Support By appointment

The Jewish Board offers bereavement support groups that are tailored for specific types of loss (parental, spousal, child, and survivors of suicide) and for various Jewish cultural, spiritual and religious needs, and holiday seasons. They also offer short-term supportive counseling to individuals following the loss of a loved one.

For more information, including dates and times, contact Shira Felberbaum at sfelberbaum@ jbfcs.org or 212-632-4735 or visit jewishboard.org/resources/bereavement-support.

### **PROGRAMS**

Cosponsored by The Jewish Board's Partners in Caring and Shira Ruskay Center, DOROT, and PAS Caring Network

## Dealing with Dementia Mon | Jan 9 | 6:30-8:00 pm

Is a family member or friend experiencing reduced ability to think, recall, or reason, coupled with a decline in behavioral abilities that makes attending to daily life activities increasingly more challenging? Learn about diagnoses, symptoms, and resources from caregivers and professionals.

No charge. RSVP by January 5 to Yael Kornfeld at ykornfeld@ dorotusa.org or 212-769-2850.

Cosponsored by Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun, The Jewish Board's Partners in Caring and Shira Ruskay Center, and PAS Caring Network

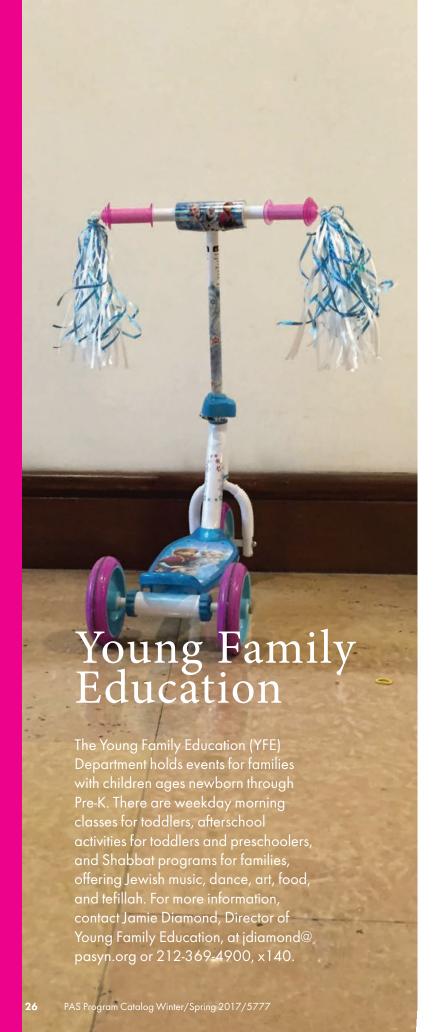
# **Bereavement Support for the Holidays: Pesah**

Wed | Mar 29 | 6:30–8:00 pm | at Congregation Kehilath Jeshurun, 125 E 85th St

Explore ways to both allow for grief and also seek meaning and comfort in the Passover themes of liberation and springtime. Open to the community. Light refreshments will be served. No charge. RSVP by March 27 to Shira Felberbaum at sfelberbaum@jbfcs.org or 212-632-4735.

### Shabbat at PAS

Healing Service
Sat | Jan 21, Feb 11, Apr 8 | 9:00 am
(p. 8)



### **BABY & TODDLER CLASSES**

Spring Semester: January—May When a class has an age requirement, children are to be that age by Jan 1, 2017.

# Shirim K'tanim (Little Songs)

Mon | 11:15 am-12:00 pm | Ages: 5-9 months with an adult

Make music together and meet other babies, parents, and caregivers as you learn simple songs and chants in Hebrew and English.

Cost: \$716/members; \$816/general

# Kitah Rishonah (First Class)

· I: Tue | 11:15 am-12:00pm | Ages: 9-15 months with an adult

• II: Tue | 9:30–10:15 am | Ages: 16–22 months with an adult

Offering a formative Jewish experience through music, we will sing kid-friendly songs for Shabbat, holidays, and every day.

Cost: \$716/members; \$816/general

# HaMishpachah Sheli (My Family)

Mon and Thu | 9:15–10:05 am | Ages: 23–27 months with an adult

Explore Jewish themes and holidays through stories, song, movement, arts and crafts, and free play.

Cost: \$716/members; \$816/general

### Shalom Shtayim (Hello Twos) – Separation Class

- · I: Mon and Wed | 9:30-11:15 am | Ages 2.0-2.5
- · II: Tue and Thu | 9:30-11:15 am | Ages 2.6-2.11

This innovative program provides a warm, thoughtful educational environment which attends to the whole child and supports achievement of developmental milestones. The curriculum incorporates Jewish values and themes based on the Jewish calendar that are explored through music, cooking, and art. This class also includes weekly group discussions for parents and caregivers with a member of our clergy and/or a licensed psychologist.

Cost per semester: \$3,330/members; \$3,600/general. To register, please contact Malka Lowenstein at 212-369-2600, x156. Classes are filled on a first-come/first-served basis. There are no make-ups for missed classes.

### **Baby Brigade**

Fri | Mar 31 | 11:00 am

Meet other parents who have had babies in the past year. Schmooze, snack, sing, and get answers to your most pressing new-parent questions.



### **SHABBAT**

### **Shirat Shabbat**

Fri | Jan 13, Feb 17, Mar 24, Apr 7, May 12 | 9:10—9:35 am | For parents and toddlers ages 3 and under

Join Cantor Rachel Brook for songs, a short story, and challah to prepare to welcome Shabbat.

### Shabbat at PAS

### Tot Tefillah: Young Family Shabbat Morning Services

Sat | Jan 14, Feb 25, Mar 18, Apr 29, May 13 | 10:00–10:45 am

Services include Shabbat songs, dancing, a short story and other activities and end with kiddush and a light snack.

### Shabbat at PAS

# YFE Kabbalat Shabbat and Dinners

Fri | Jan 6, Feb 10, Mar 3, May 19 | Service, 5:00 pm; Dinner approx. 5:30– 6:30 pm

Families with children newborn to Pre-K are invited to join our clergy for a family-friendly service, followed immediately by a pizza dinner and short program. Each month, children with birthdays that month will receive a birthday blessing and a small gift. Space is limited.

**Cost:** \$25/members; \$30/general; \$15/children

### AFTERSCHOOL ENRICHMENT

January-May

Choose from variety of afterschool activities such as Yoga, Karate, Mad Science, and more! Please visit pasyn.org/yfe for more details.

Shabbat

Shabbat at PAS

### YFE Havdalah

Sat | Jan 21, Feb 4 | 5:00 pm Havdalah is the service that separates Shabbat from the rest

separates Shabbat from the rest of the week. Led by members of the clergy, we end Shabbat with a crafts project or other activity, a short service and a snack.

### Shabbat at PAS

# Tot Shabbaton: YFE Kabbalat Shabbat

Fri | Jan 27 | 5:00 pm

Join Shabbaton Guest Artist Neshama Carlebach (p. 10) for a lively and inspiring musical Kabbalat Shabbat.

### HOLIDAYS

### **YFE Purim Service**

Sun | Mar 12 | 11:15 am-12:00 pm | Families with children newborn to Pre-K

Twirl your groggers at a short Purim service and hear selected numbers from the Purim Spiel.

### **Purim Carnival**

Sun | Mar 12 | 12:00 pm

The PAS community celebrates Purim with games, music, laughter, and merriment for the whole family. Costumes are encouraged!

### **Pesah Art Workshop**

Sun | Apr 2 | 10:00-11:45 am | Families with children ages 3-6

Make items to use at the Young Family Passover seder or at home.

### **YFE Passover Seder**

Tue | Apr 11 | 5:00 pm

Join members of our clergy and YFE Director Jamie Diamond for a Pesah celebration of freedom.

### **YFE Shavuot Service**

Thu | Jun 1 | 10:00 am

Celebrate receiving the Torah with song, dance, and ice cream!



**To register for any YFE event,** go to pasyn.org/yfe. Under Upcoming Events on the right side, click on the event name for information and registration. For dinners, cancellations with refund (or credit towards another dinner) are possible until the Monday before the dinner.



# Camp Keshet at Park Avenue Synagogue Jun 26-Aug 4

Continue the PAS fun over the summer with our summer camp for children ages 2.5–5. Days are filled with play, swim, laughter, tennis, movement, sports, art, and music. Please visit pasyn.org/campkeshet for times, prices, and to register.

**PJ Library at PAS** | PJ Library is a North American program offered by the Harold Grinspoon Foundation and implemented locally. Every month, PJ Library mails free, high-quality Jewish children's books and music to families, each item matched to the age of the child who will receive it. Thanks to a generous grant from the Hoine family, PAS is thrilled to offer PJ Library to all families with children between the ages of six months and eight years.

For more information, contact Jamie Diamond at jdiamond@pasyn.org





# Early Childhood Center

The Park Avenue Synagogue Early Childhood Center (PASECC) balances a young child's need for play and exploration with a curriculum that includes the necessary foundational skills for academic learning. Our program teaches children to identify with Judaism by introducing them to the traditions, culture, and language of our people as well as the land of Israel through hands-on experiences. We listen to children and place great value on the questions they ask. Their interests serve as a springboard for units of study. Children who attend PASECC are encouraged to think and problem solve throughout their day. Our program respects each child's learning style and differentiates to meet children's needs. Above all, we build community among our children and within our congregation, making the PASECC a special stop on the continuum of lifelong learning here at PAS. For more information, contact Pamela Schwartz, Director, at pschwartz@pasyn.org or 212-369-4900, x152.



### SCHOOL DAYS

### **Rainbow Time**

Thu, Jan 12; Mon, Jan 23
Fri, Feb 10, Tu BiShvat; Tue, Feb 28
Fri, Mar 10, Purim; Wed, Mar 22
Fri, Apr 7, Pesah
Tue, May 2, Yom HaAtzma'ut
Mon, May 15, Lag BaOmer

Two mornings a month our entire school comes together to discuss a theme. On those days, the children wear ECC t-shirts in their classroom colors, making a living rainbow. Many Rainbow Times will focus on Jewish holidays.

## Read Across America

PASECC students will celebrate the joy of reading and the magic of books!

### **Passover Seders**

Tue, Wed, Thu | Apr 4, 5, 6

Each class will have a family seder. Clergy guests will help lead the blessings.

### Lag BaOmer

Mon | May 15

After Rainbow Time, we will have a full day of non-competitive games and field day activities.

### Last Day of School Celebration of Learning

Fri | May 26 } 8:30-10:30 am

The entire school will celebrate a year of learning. Afterward, each class will have a party to mark the end of the school year.

### **OUTSIDE EVENTS**

PASECC Parents Association Presents

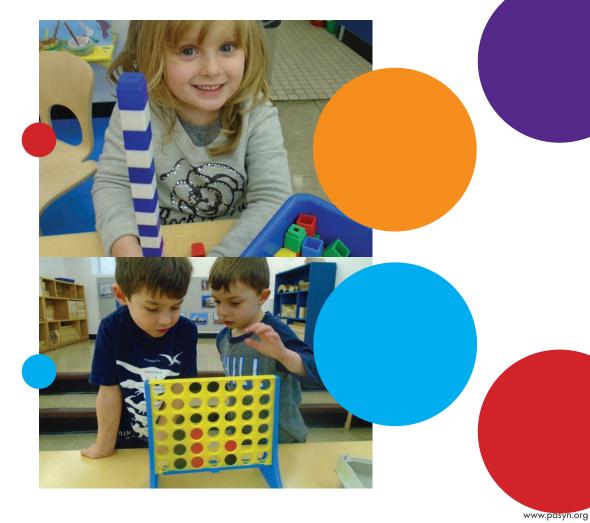
# PASECC Spring Benefit Thu | Apr 27

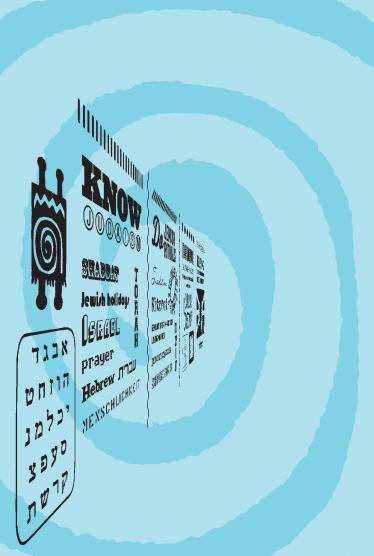
Parents and friends of the ECC are invited for a great time and to raise money to enhance our school.

Shabbat at PAS

# PASECC Family Shabbat Fri | May 5 | Time TBA

PASECC families will welcome Shabbat and delight in a Shabbat meal together.





# Congregational School

The Park Avenue Synagogue
Congregational School is dedicated to
positive and engaging Jewish education
to inspire lifelong participation in the
Jewish community for all learners
and their families. In partnership with
our families and with the synagogue
community as a whole, the school
provides meaningful learning through
both formal and experiential education.
For more information, contact Jennifer
Stern Granowitz, Director of the
Congregational School, at jgranowitz@
pasyn.org or 212-369-4900, x132.

### SHABBAT

The Congregational School is a Shabbat-centered program. In addition to weekday afternoon classes, there is a Shabbat Experience program every week for learners in Gimel, Dalet, Hey & Vav (Grades 3–6). There are also family programs for all grades on selected Shabbat evenings and mornings.

### Shabbat at PAS

# Gan, Alef & Bet Family Shabbat Experiences

Sat | Jan 7; Feb 11; Mar 4, 25; Apr 1, 29; May 13 | 11:00 am–12:00 pm | Liederkranz Foundation, 6 East 87th Street (btw Madison & 5th Avenues) | Gr K–2

Parents and kids will come together in song, prayer, and learning at a family-oriented service.

### Shabbat at PAS

### Gimel, Dalet, Hey & Vav Family Shabbat Experiences

Sat | Jan 21; Apr 8; May 6 | 9:45 am-12:00 pm | Gr 3-6

Families will join the community Shabbat service in the Sanctuary for the beginning of the Torah service and then leave together for a family learning session.

### Shabbat at PAS

### Gimel & Dalet Friday Evening Dinner for Families

Fri | Apr 21 | 6:15 pm | Gr 3-4 After Kabbalat Shabbat in the Sanctuary, have a festive Shabbat dinner.

### Shabbat at PAS

### **PAS Youth Choir**

Sat | when Congregational School meets | 9:30–9:55 am (p. 21)

### GRADE-SPECIFIC PROGRAMS

### Gan, Alef & Bet Family Trip to the Brooklyn Jewish Children's Museum

Sun | Jan 22 | 10:00 am-12:00 pm | Gr K-2 |

Cost: Adults/\$25; Children/\$15

# Gimel, Dalet & Hey Family Trip

Sun | Feb 12 | 10:00 am-12:00 pm | Gr 3-5

Vav & Zayin Family Trip
Sun | Feb 26 | 10:00 am-12:00 pm |
Gr 6-7

### Gan Family Purim Program

Mon or Wed | Mar 6 or 8 | 5:00-5:30 pm | Kindergarten

### Alef Family Tu BiShvat Program

Mon, Tue, or Thu | Feb 6, 7 or 9 | 5:30-6:00 pm | Gr 1

### Bet Family Pesah Program

Mon, Tue, or Wed | Apr 3, 4 or 5 | 5:30–6:00 pm | Gr 2

### Vav Bnei Mitzvah Family Learning

Tues | Jan 10, Apr 25 | 5:45-7:00 pm Wed | Mar 15 | 5:45-7:00 pm

As part of the Bnei Mitzvah journey, there are family programs during the Vav (Gr 6) year for parents and children to learn together about topics related to the Bar/Bat Mitzvah experience. On an evening when there is a family program, there is no regular class or tutoring.

### Shabbat at PAS

### Vav Book Club with Rabbi Cosgrove

Sat | Mar 4 | 4:00-5:00 pm | Gr 6 | At the Cosgroves' home

Learners and their parents are invited to join the rabbi for a discussion of *The Diary of Anne Frank*. Copies of the book are available in the Congregational School office.

### **END-OF-YEAR PROGRAM**

### Zimriyah: All-School Music Festival and Endof-Year Celebration

Mon, Tue, or Wed | May 15, 16, or 17 | 5:30–6:00 pm

Celebrate the end-of-year with a school-wide performance of Jewish and Hebrew music led by our students. Parents, grandparents, and caregivers are invited to attend the performance on the afternoon your child comes to Congregational School.

### PARENTING WORKSHOPS

# Talking To Your Child about the Holocaust

Tue | Jan 24 | 5:00–5:45 pm | Rabbi Savenor

Shabbat at PAS /Sat | TBA | 10:00-10:45 am | Rabbi Savenor

Learn and discuss how to deal with this sensitive topic. Come to either session. Note: while these sessions are open to all parents, the Holocaust is part of the Congregational School curriculum in the Hey (Grade 5) year.

# Talking to Your Child about God

Wed | Feb 8 | 4:45-5:30 pm | Rabbi Cosgrove

Learn how to respond to questions that children aged 6–11 ask about God, Judaism, and the universe.

### Making a Kid-friendly Passover Seder

Tue | Mar 14 | 5:00–5:45 pm | Amy Martin

This session will focus on making a seder accessible for children in grades K-2, while keeping it meaningful for older children and adults.

# Talking to Your Child about Israel

Wed | Apr 26 | 5:00-5:45 pm | Rabbi Zuckerman

Shabbat at PAS /Sat | Apr 29 | 10:00– 10:45 am | Rabbi Zuckerman

This session is aimed at helping parents feel comfortable discussing Israel and Zionism with children ages 8 to 11 (Gr 3–6). Come to either session.

# PAS Youth

PAS Youth provides classes, experiential learning, and social events for children and teenagers in 3rd through 12th grade. Programs for 3rd-5th graders and for 6th-8th graders focus on building relationships with PAS peers, having fun, and learning in informal settings, encouraging kids to feel both comfortable and excited about being in the synagogue environment and part of the PAS community as they reach their Bnei Mitzvah. Eighth grade is a bridge year, as students celebrate their Bnei Mitzvah and move from the world of middle school into the Rabbi Judah Nadich High School (RJHNS). PAS students in grades 8-12 socialize, travel, participate in groups and classes at RJNHS and create their own Jewish community. The Teen Leadership Council shares in planning what projects and classes RJNHS will offer. For more information, contact Hallie Chandler, Director of Youth Programming and Engagement, at hchandler@pasyn.org or 212-369-4900, x147

### 3RD-5TH/6TH-8TH GRADERS

Youth programs in January, February, and April will be announced on pasyn. org, in the Bulletin, and in the Youth email. In March and in May the two age groups will join together.

### **Purim Carnival!**

Sun | Mar 12 | 12:00 pm

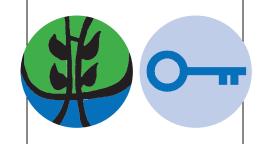
Win prizes, play music, eat hamantaschen, play games, and bounce in inflatables!

### Shabbat at PAS

### Summer Camp Celebration and Send-off

Fri | May 19 | All camp families 5:00 pm | Activities 6:15 pm | Kabbalat Shabbat

Wear your camp shirts and come for pre-Shabbat activities – *rikud* (dance), making pillowcases, graffiti walls, s'mores, letter preparation, and more – before you go off for the *kayitz* (summer). We'll miss you, and look forward to hearing about your Jewish camping experiences when you return in the fall! Stay for Kabbalat Shabbat in the Sanctuary afterward as we say *Shalom* and *L'hitra'ot*.



### RABBI JUDAH NADICH HIGH SCHOOL (8TH-12TH GRADERS)

Let's Learn

Shabbat at PAS

# Parent and Teen Study with Rabbi Cosgrove

Sat | Jan 7, Feb 11, Mar 11, Apr 22, May 20 | 4:00–5:00 pm

Post-Bnei Mitzvah learners and their parents meet at Rabbi Cosgrove's apartment for study, schmoozing, snacks and Shabbat fun! May 20 will be a send-off for graduating seniors.

Shabbat at PAS

### Shabbat Dinner Series: Teen Edition

Fri | Jan 27 | Shabbaton
Fri | Feb 10 | JDAIM Shabbat (p. 7)
Fri | Apr 7 | Rock Kabbalat Shabbat/
Food Pantry Shabbat | Honoring the
efforts and accomplishments of the Food
Pantry Chairs and all the volunteers
Fri | Jun 2 | "How I Met Your Rabbi"
Shabbat Dinner

Teens will be seated together at Shabbat Dinner Series events (p. 13) and will also have teen-only Friday evening events.

For parents

### How to Speak with your Teen About Racial Tolerance and Diversity

Tue | Apr 25 | 7:15–8:30 pm | Rabbi Witkovsky

Learning from professionals and sharing with other parents can make the practical and emotional challenges of raising a teen in today's world seem less overwhelming.

RJNHS Wednesday Evenings (p. 36) Let's Lead

### **PAS Rock Band**

The Rock Band practices weekly on Thursday evenings and will perform at Rock Kabbalat Shabbat on Friday, April 7 (p. 7). Audition anytime this spring for the 2017/2018 school year.



Shabbat at PAS

### Teen A Cappella

Sat | Jan 7, 28; Feb 4, 25; Apr 8, 22 | 3:00 pm (p. 21)



Let's Go

### **Rock Climbing**

Sun | Jan 29 | Time TBA

Push your limits and climb away on a teen social outing.

Shabbat at PAS

### **Board Game Break**

Sat | Jan 28 | Time TBA

Munch snacks and hang with friends on the afternoon of the Shabbaton, and don't let Hallie beat you in Settlers or Jungle Speed. Feel free to bring games of your own.

### **Tea Tuesdays**

Tue | 4:00-5:00 pm

Meet Hallie after school at Petite Shell (1269 Lexington Ave) to catch up on school, life, difficult decisions, homework, Jewish questions, really anything on your mind. No RSVP required, just come.

### Cream, Crumbs, or Cocoa with Hallie

Anytime

Hallie invites anyone out for an ice cream, a cupcake, or a drink of their choice. Please contact Hallie to set up a time for yourself or a teen in your life.

Teen Travel/8th-10th graders

### Los Angeles

Fri-Tue | Feb 16-20, Presidents Weekend | Travel to LA

Teen Travel/All teens

Spring Day Trip
Sun | May 21

PAS Teens are always looking for the next big trip idea. Help plan one, or chair a trip already on the calendar! Interested? Contact Hallie.

### Let's Do

### **PAS Food Pantry**

- Packing | Wed | Begins Jan 4 | 4:00–5:00 pm
- Distribution | Fri | Begins Jan 6 | 3:45– beginning of Shabbat

Coordinated and run entirely by teens, the Food Pantry is a 30-year-old program. Volunteers meet Wednesdays to prepare food packages, and on Friday afternoons to distribute packages to hundreds of local families. Check the PAS Food Pantry Facebook page for more information.

### PAS PALs | Food Pantry Wed | Jan 18, Feb 15, Mar 15, Apr 26, May 17 | 4:00-5:00 pm

Once a month, teens buddy with others who have special needs and all help with Food Pantry packing.

### Teen Purim Party & Ice Cream Social

Sat | Mar 11 | After the Megillah reading (p. 9)

The Purim celebration will rock on in someone's home. RSVP to Hallie to receive location.

# Purim Carnival: Volunteer!

Sun | Mar 12 | 8:00 am-12:00 pm

Together with other teens, run booths, paint faces, give prizes, play music, and eat hamantaschen. Sign up for a volunteer time slot by contacting Hallie.

### Shabbat at PAS

# What's Beyond High School?

Sat | April 8 | 1:00 pm | 12th graders Packing for college? Taking a gap year? Where does Judaism fit in? Come for lunch and conversation with other PAS 12th graders, PAS alumni, Hallie, and Rabbi Witkovsky.

### Shabbat at PAS

### **Senior Send-off**

Sat | May 20 | 9:45 am | Sanctuary service

Graduating seniors will be honored with an aliyah and gifts from the community.

### Shabbat at PAS

# **End-of-Year Parent and Teen Study**

Sat | May 20 | 4:00 pm

High school seniors and their parents are invited to Rabbi Cosgrove's home for the final parent and teen study session of the year.

### RJNHS WEDNESDAY EVENINGS ed | Jan 4, 11, 18, 25; Feb 1, 8, 1

Wed | Jan 4, 11, 18, 25; Feb 1, 8, 15; Mar 1, 8, 15, 29, Apr 5, 19, 26, May 3, 10, 17

Tuition \$180/semester

### First Period | 5:00-6:00 pm

Every Wednesday, open to all **Dinner & Lounge** 

Discuss hot topics, have coffee talks with Pauline Zablow, schmooze with friends, and get teen department updates.



#### RINHS WEDNESDAY EVENINGS



#### Second Period | 6:00-6:45 pm

Every Wednesday, open to all

#### Current Events and Jewish Ideology Rabbi Ethan Witkovsky

In this class we will continue to use newspapers, magazines, and twitter feeds to explore people, places and conflicts both in the headlines and hidden from plain view. Whether we focus on politics and war or art and culture, current events will sometimes reflect our great issues and sometimes illuminate them.

Once/month, open only to 12th graders

#### 12th Grade Seminar: Important Conversations

Rabbi Elliot Cosgrove
Jan 18, Feb 15, Mar 15, Apr 26, May 17
Dialogue with the rabbi and
provocative guest speakers in
conversations to prepare you for
college next year. (Seniors who
take Rabbi Witkovsky's course
will be excused from that class
once/month to participate in the
seminar.)

- Jan 18: Peter Geffen, Founding Principal, Park Avenue Synagogue High School: Martin Luther King and Social Justice
- Feb 15: Dylan Lauren, Founder and CEO of Dylan's Candy Bar: On Being Dylan Lauren
- Mar 15: Rabbi Jessica Minnen, Resident Rabbi at OneTable: Jewish Sexual Ethics
- Apr 26: Jodi Rudoren, Deputy International Editor of The New York Times: Covering Israel for the Times
- May 17: Dr. Richard Haass, American diplomat and president of the Council on Foreign Relations: The State of the World

#### Third period | 7:00-7:45 pm

Every Wednesday, open to all **Hebrew Ulpan** 

Sababa! Move beyond memorization towards understanding Hebrew in conversation. Prepare to speak Hebrew on your next trip to Israel or even to Saba's Pizza.

### College Connections

Help us keep in touch with your college student on campus!

College students remain part of the PAS family even when away from home. We keep in touch by sending care packages on certain holidays along with updates and insights from PAS clergy and educators. To keep your college student on our list, please update all contact information whenever it changes by visiting pasyn.org and clicking on College Connections.

#### College Students Winter Break Dinner with Rabbi Witkovsky

Thu | Jan 5

**To register,** please contact Rachel Kemp at rkemp@pasyn.org or 212-369-4900, x121.



# 20s and 30s at PAS

Super fun for everyone. Events are open to all PAS young adults and their friends (they need not be members). If you are interested in this network, either for yourself or for a family member or friend, contact Rabbi Ethan Witkovsky, ewitkovsky@pasyn.org.





#### **Brainthirsty**

Mon | Jan 9, Feb 6, Mar 6, Apr 3, May 1, Jun 5 | 7:45–9:00 pm

Fill your thirsty brain with thought and beverages. Join the discussion as we bring Jewish and non-Jewish sources to bear on big questions. Each session will focus on a different theme or idea, so if you miss one you can catch the next one. Friends welcome!

#### Shabbat at PAS

#### **Ramah Minyan**

Fri | Jan 13, Feb 10, Mar 3, Apr 7, May 5, Jun 9 | 7:15 pm

Any and all young people are invited to join Camp Ramah alumni from all over the city for a spirit-filled service followed by drinks.



#### 20s & 30s Midnight Tikkun Leil Shavuot

Tue | May 30 | 9:45 pm

According to the Midrash, when Moses returned from Mount Sinai bringing the second set of stone tablets, the Children of Israel were asleep and had to be awakened to receive the Torah. It has become a tradition to study on the night of Shavuot to demonstrate that we are awake and ready to receive the Torah.



### Coffee with a Rabbi

Rabbi Witkovsky will gladly take anyone out for a cup of coffee (or stronger beverage). If you would like to take him up on that, or volunteer a young adult in your life to have coffee, please contact the rabbi!

#### Intimate Learning Groups

Want to keep your brain skills up? Like to talk and get to know people better? Gather a small group of friends and meet once a month with Rabbi Witkovsky or another teacher to engage your mind, heart, and soul. Groups meet in offices, apartments, even bars. If you want to try it first, come to Brainthirsty.

#### Visiting the Sick

Anytime

Be a part of the Synagogue's committee that cares for the ill and the homebound. Help us expand the reach and modalities of how we care for all members of our community.

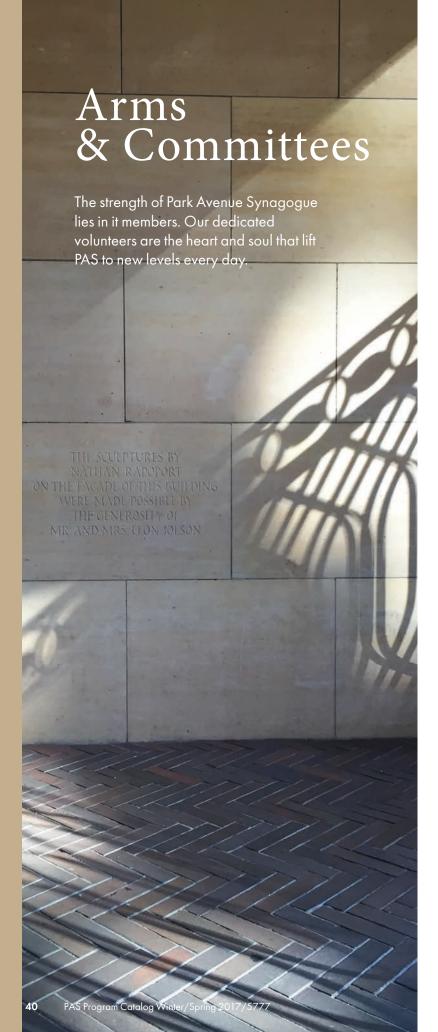


Shabbat at PAS

#### **Shabbat Dinner**

Fri | 7:30 pm

If you are interested in hosting a Shabbat dinner with the help of PAS and OneTable, or if you would like to attend one of the Shabbat dinners that Rabbi Witkovsky hosts throughout the year, please let him know.



#### DAY SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Build community! Celebrate Shabbat and holidays with other PAS families whose children attend day school.

For more information, contact cochairs Diane Hess and Stefanie Ruch at ddjhess@gmail.com or stefanieruch@ gmail.com.

#### Shabbat at PAS

#### Day School Community Havdalah

Sat | Feb 4 | 5:00 pm

Celebrate Havdalah at the home of Debbie and Rabbi Elliot Cosgrove. Learn, sing, snack, and make new friends as we say goodbye to Shabbat.

#### **Pre-Purim Party**

Sat | Mar 11 | 5:30 pm

Join day school families and PAS Youth for snacks and fun. Come in costume ready to join the full community for Havdalah and the Purim Spiel.

#### Shabbat at PAS

## Congregational School and Day School Shabbat Service

Sat | Mar 25 | 11:00 am

Don't miss a family Shabbat service for Congregational School and day school families together.

### Shavuot Picnic in the Park

Thu | Jun 1 | after services
Plan to picnic with the
community on the second day of
Shavuot at the North end of the
Great Lawn in Central Park.

#### JTS@PAS

PAS has a longstanding relationship of mutual support with The Jewish Theological Seminary – the center of Conservative Judaism and the institution from which many of our clergy and staff have graduated. Watch the Bulletin and pasyn.org for announcements of small group study sessions sponsored by the ITS@PAS Committee.

For more information, contact Leon Gould at Igould@whitehallcap.com or Linda Daitz at linda@daitz.com.

#### Aphrodite and the Rabbis: How the Jews Adapted Roman Culture to Create Judaism as We Know It with Rabbi Burton Visotzky

Tue | Jan 24 | 6:30–8:00 pm | Location provided upon registration

Rabbi Visotzky, Appleman
Professor of Midrash and
Interreligious Studies at JTS,
will speak about his new book.
In it he explores how the early
Rabbis, faced with the destruction
of the Temple and their exile
from Jerusalem, absorbed and
transformed many elements of
Roman culture to create rabbinic
Judaism to replace the moribund
sacrificial cult.

**Cost:** Free, but registration is required. Space is limited.

Shabbat at PAS

Seminary Shabbat Sat | May 6 | 9:45 am (p. 11)

#### MEN'S CLUB

Men's Club is a welcoming social group where men of all ages participate and become active at PAS through cultural, social, and intellectual events.

For more information or to share your ideas, contact us at pasmensclub@ pasyn.org or Rob Silverstone at robsilverstone@gmail.com or Craig Siena at csiena@stifel.com.

Unless indicated otherwise, events are open to the entire PAS community.

#### Men's Club Financial Forum

Thu | Feb 2 | 7:00 pm

Join us for a conversation about today's economy and financial markets, introduced with a d'var Torah about tzedakah. Light snacks and beverages will be served.

#### World Wide Wrap

Sun | Feb 5 9:00 am | Minyan 10:00 am | Bagel brunch and presentation on tefillin

Learn from a *sofer* (a scribe who writes and repairs tefillin and Torah scrolls) about the history and purpose of tefillin. Take the opportunity to ask questions about your tefillin or to arrange to buy a new pair. Bnei Mitzvah students are especially encouraged to participate.

Open to Men's Club members only

#### Men's Club Board Meeting and Torah on Tap

Thu | Feb 9, May 11 6:30 pm | Board Meeting 7:30 pm | Torah on Tap

Food, beverages, and an engaging discussion.

**To RSVP** and to obtain location, email pasmensclub@pasyn.org.

#### FJMC Man of the Year Awards Event

Sun | Mar 19 | 1:00 pm | Location TBA, Long Island

We join the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs to honor members of the PAS community and others.

Cost: TBA

#### Men's Club Passover Wine Tasting & Matzah Sale

Thu | Mar 30 | 8:00 pm

#### Project Ezra Pre-Pesah Food Delivery

Sun | Apr 2 | 9:30 am | Lower East Side Deliver Pesah food packages to clients of Project Ezra in lower Manhattan.

Open to Men's Club and Women's Network members only

#### Yom HaShoah Candle Box Assembly

Thu | Apr 13 | 6:00 pm

Help assemble boxes to mail Yom HaShoah candles.

Open to Men's Club members and their guests

### Year-End BBQ on the Roof

Thu | Jun 8 | 6:30 pm

Enjoy a fun evening and see friends before summer vacation.

**Cost:** \$36/person in advance; \$40/person at the door.

#### TIKKUN OLAM

Do good. Feel good. The Tikkun Olam Committee sponsors programs and organizes handson projects that repair the world by promoting social justice and helping the most vulnerable men, women, and children of the community.

For more information, contact Elissa Drassinower and Limor Geller at tikkunolam@pasyn.org.

### Project Prom Collection Mon, Jan 9-Thu, Feb 16 | Bins in the lobby

Project Prom makes free prom dresses and accessories available to high school girls whose families are not able to afford them. Your generous donation of gently used spring/summer formal dresses, heels, handbags, wraps, jewelry, and other fashion accessories, as well as sealed cosmetics, will mean the world to these young women.

#### DOROT Package Delivery Sun | Jan 29, Apr 2 | 10:00 am-1:00 pm

Join us for a fulfilling morning of delivering food packages to homebound seniors. Individuals and families with children ages 4 and up are welcome and encouraged to come. Do a mitzvah that will be rewarding for you and will also bring a smile to someone's face.

**RSVP** to tikkunolam@pasyn.org. by January 20 for January 29 and by March 24 for April 2.

#### Pre-Pesah Hametz Food Drive

Mon, Mar 27–Thu, Apr 6  $\mid$  Bins in the Lobby

Two mitzvot in one! When you clean for Passover, bring your unopened packages and cans (no glass) of nonperishable food to PAS for donation to the New York Common Pantry.

#### **Project Prom**

Tue-Fri | Apr 4–7 | Temple Emanu-El | Adult volunteers

This four-day event provides a "boutique" shopping experience for low-income high school girls for their prom. Volunteer to help set up the donations and also as personal shoppers to help outfit and style the students.

**Email** tikkunolam@pasyn.org to volunteer.

### **Grocery Packing at New York Common Pantry**

Wed | Apr 26 | 9:00 am-12:00 pm | Adult volunteers

Tour the facility and help pack groceries. Wear comfortable clothing and closed-toe shoes.

**RSVP** to Lite Sabin at sabinmail@aol. com or 212-628-2863.



#### UJA@PAS

The UIA@PAS Committee promotes cooperation and collaboration between the synagogue, UJA-Federation of New York, and its many beneficiary agencies. Through mitzvah projects, speakers, and other special events, our goal is to promote a synagogue culture that encourages gemilut hasadim (acts of loving kindness). In addition, through its network of agencies, UJA-Federation offers direct services to congregants dealing with life crises.

For more information about UJA@ PAS, contact Nancy Hirschtritt at nancyhirschtritt@gmail.com or Marilyn Gottlieb at marilyngottlieb@ hotmail.com. For information about UJA- Federation of New York and its agencies, visit www.ujafedny.org.

#### Shabbat at PAS

#### **UJA Shabbat** Sat | Feb 11 | 9:45 pm (p. 11)

Travel at PAS

#### William Rosenwald Mission to Israel Sat, Apr 29-Fri, May 5

Join the broader New York community to celebrate UJA's Centennial. Participants will personalize their trip experience by choosing from over 15 different tracks including arts & culture, healthcare, technology & investing, government relations, and hands-on volunteering.

To learn more about the itinerary, tracks, costs, and to register, visit uja 100trip.org. For questions, please contact Sarah Chorne at uja 100trip@ujafedny.org or 212-836-1657.

#### Employment and Career Counseling, Financial Consultation, Debt Counseling, Budget Assistance, Legal Services and Personal Counseling

These services are available to individuals in the Jewish community (confidentially and at no charge) through UJA-Federation's Connect-to-Care and Connect-to-Jobs initiatives.

To reach a Connect-to-Care counselor, please call 212-399-2685, x206.

#### Assistance in Navigating Mental Health Care for Children and Adolescents

If you are concerned about your child's emotional well-being, UJA-Federation's Mental Health GPS (Guiding Parents through Services) can help direct you toward comprehensive mental health services including community programs, public and private health practitioners, mentoring and school-based programs, and hospital-based support.

For more information, contact family resource specialist Meredith Levine at the Jewish Board of Family and Children's Services at 212-632-4668.

#### Center for Youth Philanthropy and Leadership: Volunteer Opportunities and Teen Philanthropic Leadership Council

Middle school and high school students can volunteer at UJA-Federation agencies throughout the city for community service hours. Volunteer opportunities can be one-time or ongoing depending on the person's interests and school requirements. For an intensive and ongoing experience, students in grades 9-12 can apply to be part of the Teen Philanthropic Leadership Council, an opportunity to meet Jewish teens from all over the city and to take a deeper look at the process of fundraising and allocation through a Jewish lens.

**To learn more,** contact Erica Cohen at cohene@ujafedny.org or 212-836-1114.

#### Center for Youth Philanthropy and Leadership: Give a Mitzvah–Do a Mitzvah for Bar/Bat Mitzvah Students

This UJA-Federation program enables Bar and Bat Mitzvah students to create individualized mitzvah projects that connect their interests and hobbies to UJA-Federation's work around the world.

For more information about Give a Mitzvah–Do a Mitzvah, contact Nicole Fleishman at fleishmann@ ujafedny.org or at 212-836-1460.

#### WOMEN'S NETWORK

Women's Network builds community and camaraderie through social, intellectual and spiritual activities. We offer something for everyone with our daytime and evening events.

For more information and to get involved, contact co-chairs Stefanie Katz Rothman and Suzi Stadler at womensnetwork@pasyn.org.

Open only to WN members

#### Women's Network Challah Bake

Fri | Jan 20 | 9:30 am Thu | Feb 23 | 7:00 pm | Gluten-free session

Fri | Mar 31 | 9:30 am Thu | April 27 | 7:00 pm

Nothing says Shabbat like a freshly baked challah. Women's Network members open their homes to teach you how to bake your own. We will also learn the basics of welcoming Shabbat. Each class will take place in a different home and will feature a different recipe.

**RSVP** to womensnetwork@pasyn.org. No charge, but space is limited.

Open only to WN members & their quests

#### Docent-led Tour of "The First Jewish Americans: Freedom and Culture in the New World"

Tue | Jan 31 | 1:30 pm | New York Historical Society, 170 CPW (at 77th St)

Our own Doris Finkel will guide us through documents and artifacts that chronicle how Jews, expelled from Spain and Portugal, established thriving communities in New York, Philadelphia, Charleston, and Newport. Space is limited.

**Cost:** \$21/WN members; \$26/guests of WN members

RSVP on pasyn.org.

#### Women's Network

Open only to WN members

#### Women's Guide to Tefillah

Wed | Feb 8 | 10:15 am Thu | Feb 9 | 6:45 pm | Cantor Shira Lissek and Cantor Rachel Brook

This is the second class in a two-part series exploring the structure, content, choreography, and music of Shabbat morning services. Both sessions will be the same; attend either one. You are welcome even if you did not attend the fall class.

Cost: No charge.

**RSVP** to womensnetwork@pasyn.org.

### Pre-Passover Painting Party

Thu | Mar 9 | 7:00 pm | Location TBA
Paint your own Seder plate or
Miriam's Cup. A light dinner and
drinks will be served.

Cost: TBA.

**RSVP** to womensnetwork@pasyn.org.

#### ImmerseNYC Mikveh Visit

Tue | Mar 28 | 5:00 pm | The West Side Mikveh, 236 W 74th St (btw Broadway & West End Ave)

Debbie Cosgrove and other ImmerseNYC volunteer mikveh guides will help create personal, spiritual, and individual immersions. Come just to learn or for learning and immersion.

**Cost:** No charge for visit. \$60 for mikveh immersion.

**RSVP** to womensnetwork@pasyn.org.

### End-of-Year Wrap-up on the Roof

Mon | Jun 5 | 7:00 pm

Celebrate our great year with dinner and drinks on the PAS roof.

Cost: TBA

**RSVP** to womensnetwork@pasyn.org.



#### YOUNG COUPLES GROUP

The Young Couples Group (YCG) invites PAS members between the ages of 25 to 45 to gather for community-building social events and programs. A welcoming entry into the PAS community, YCG is a wonderful way to share Jewish occasions with friends, new and old.

For more information, please contact co-presidents Lauren Karafiol and Blair Klaff at youngcouples@pasyn.org.

#### YCG "Couples" Speaker Series

Cantor Azi Schwartz

Wed | Feb 8 | 7:00 pm | Debbie & Rabbi Elliot Cosgrove Wed | Mar 15 | 7:00 pm | Dr. Noa &

In our YCG "couples" speaker series, members of the clergy and their spouses lead discussions about Judaism and issues that affect us in our personal relationships. Join us at the home of YCG members for light refreshments and refreshing talk in an informal group setting.

### YCG End-of-Year Event Mon | May 10 | 7:00 pm | at The Jewish

Join in a sociable bash as we reflect on the year and head off to summer. Kick back with old and new friends, and enjoy cocktails and hors d'oeuvres.

Cost: \$36/couple

**RSVP** by May 12 to youngcouples@ pasyn.org.

# Parenting at PAS

Judaism provides a spiritual framework for creating a Jewish home rooted in our tradition and the seasons of the year. Park Avenue Synagogue offers opportunities for parents of children of all ages to connect with one another and to learn together about the sacred and miraculous gift of raising a child. Parents, grandparents, and anyone raising Jewish children are welcome to attend, to connect, to share, and to



#### ADULT LEARNING

Foundations of Jewish Family
 Living | Rabbi Zuckerman (p. 17)

#### YOUNG FAMILY EDUCATION

- Baby and Toddler Classes |
   For children with a parent or caregiver (p. 26)
- Baby Brigade | Fri | Mar 31 |
   11:00 am (p. 27)
- Pesah Art Workshop | Sun |
   Apr 2 | 10:00-11:45 am | Ellen
   Alt (p. 28)
- · PJ Library (p. 28)

#### CONGREGATIONAL SCHOOL

- Talking To Your Child about the Holocaust Tue | Jan 24 | 5:00–5:45 pm | Shabbat at PAS/Sat | TBA | 10:00– 10:45 am | Rabbi Savenor (p. 33)
- Talking to Your Child about God Wed | Feb 8 | 4:45–5:30 pm | Rabbi Cosgrove (p. 33)
- Making a Kid-friendly Passover Seder
   Tue | Mar 14 | 5:00-5:45 pm | Amy Martin (p. 33)
- Talking to Your Child about Israel Wed | Apr 26 | 5:00–5:45 pm | Shabbat at PAS/Sat | Apr 29 | 10:00–10:45 am | Rabbi Zuckerman (p. 33)

#### **PAS YOUTH**

- Parent and Teen Study with Rabbi Cosgrove | Shabbat at PAS/Sat | Jan 7, Feb 11, Mar 11, Apr 22, May 20 | 4:00-5:00 pm (p. 35)
- How to Speak with Your Teen About Racial Tolerance and Diversity
   Tue | Apr 25 | 7:00–8:30 pm | Rabbi Witkovsky (p. 35)

### Travel at PAS

PAS travel provides opportunities to deepen engagement with our community and the Jewish people worldwide. More than luggage, tickets, and sightseeing, Travel at PAS is educational, fun, spiritual, renewing, uplifting, and inspiring. More than relocating for a few days, it is expanding mind and soul, meeting fascinating people, and learning from engaging scholars.

Gatherings and reunions follow each trip to continue the conversation long after we have returned home.

For more information, please contact Rabbi Charlie Savenor at csavenor@pasyn.org or 212-369-4900, x136.

- Teen Trip to Los Angeles
  Presidents Weekend | Feb 16-20 |
  8th-10th graders
- William Rosenwald Mission to Israel Apr 29-May 5

Celebrate UJA's Centennial with the broader New York community. (p. 42)

• Young Family Israel Trip

Jun 11-21
This trip is fully booked.

 Women's Trip to Poland Oct 21-26, with the possibility of extending to Oct 29

Watch email and the Bulletin for more information.



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