

Monday, December 7 | 7:00 pm

Steven Fine is the Dean Pinkhos Churgin Professor of Jewish History at Yeshiva University and Director of the Arch of Titus Project. His “The Menorah: From the Bible to the Apocalypse” will be published by Harvard University Press in 2016.

We have been pleased by the response of the “Jewry Duty” initiative, which began last year in an effort to bolster minyan attendance and will continue for a second year. Your attendance at mid-week minyan is especially helpful to mourners, encouraging to other minyan attendees, and, of course, spiritually valuable for each and every one of us. We have recently sent out a mailing to all eligible participants and you will receive your “summons” shortly before you are scheduled to attend. *To read more about Jewry Duty and to look up your assigned date, go to:*

**[shearithisrael.org/content/jewryduty](http://shearithisrael.org/content/jewryduty)**

*We Mourn the Loss of our Member:* Ms. Valy Enriquez.  
Condolences to her family.

Now we can understand Rashbam's commentary to our verses. Medieval Christian interpretations viewed the sale of the birthright as usurious - this was often used as a polemic to prove the greedy and devious nature of Jews. For Rashbam, such an interpretation was dangerous and had to be refuted, even if he had to stray from the plain meaning of the verses to do so.



UPCOMING EVENTS AND INITIATIVES

**“Wildman” Steve Brill Central Park Outing**  
**This Sunday, November 15 | 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm**  
**Meet at 1 W 85th St Apartment Lobby**  
Fun for all ages! At only \$10 for members and \$12 for non-members, you won’t want to miss this. Wildman will lead children and adults through a unique foraging expedition and edible tour through a new route in Central Park. We will forage for delicious mushrooms, roots, nuts, and fruits that grow in our backyard!  
Register at [shearithisrael.org/wildman](http://shearithisrael.org/wildman).

**A Community’s Response to Crisis:**  
**Israel Under Assault**  
**Saturday, November 21**  
**Following Morning Services**  
Join us for a dynamic dialogue between Rabbi Soloveichik and Eric Goldstein, CEO of UJA Federation.

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**An Intimate Luncheon with Eric Goldstein:**  
**Reflections from a Modern Orthodox CEO**  
Following the public presentation, registered sponsors are invited to the Elias room for an intimate discussion with Eric Goldstein and elegant lunch. Sponsorship levels: \$180/\$270/\$360/\$1000. To sign up, go to [shearithisrael.org/eric-goldstein](http://shearithisrael.org/eric-goldstein) by November 17.

**Shearith Israel *Kippah***  
Did you see the new Shearith Israel *Kippah* that recently premiered at our Gala? Wondering where you can get one? Shearith Israel *Kippot* are available for purchase on our website at [shearithisrael.org/store](http://shearithisrael.org/store) for \$10 each! Show off your great sense of style and allegiance to CSI and grab this great deal while it lasts!

**Thanksgiving Pack-a-thon**  
**Over-subscribed!**  
We are thrilled with the enthusiastic response to our pack-a-thon. Volunteer registration is now closed. But you can still help in this important project by making a tax deductible donation at [shearithisrael.org/pack-a-thon](http://shearithisrael.org/pack-a-thon). Your gift goes directly to the Food Bank of New York City and will be credited to our project.

Thank you to our partners at the West End Collegiate Church and our terrific event committee:  
Karen Daar  
Laury Frieber  
Beth Goldman  
Joy Saleh Roberts  
Marlene Sperling  
Jodie Steinway  
Adina Wagman

Thanks to you, fewer New Yorkers will go hungry this season.

**British Invasion Shabbat Dinner**  
**Featuring Zaki Cooper and**  
**our resident Anglophile, Rabbi Meir Soloveichik**  
**Friday Night, December 4**  
**Following evening services and Friday Night Lights**  
Drawing on first-hand experience of working at Buckingham Palace, and using objects from his time working there, Zaki Cooper will provide his insider's insights into the real life of the royals and shed light on this magical institution. Who knows more about the British, Zaki Cooper or Rabbi Soloveichik? Find out at our British invasion Shabbat Dinner! British Menu will be served.  
Register at [shearithisrael.org/british-invasion](http://shearithisrael.org/british-invasion).

WEEKDAY JUDAIC EDUCATION

For schedule and class details go to:  
[shearithisrael.org/content/judaic-education-and-major-lectures](http://shearithisrael.org/content/judaic-education-and-major-lectures)

- Sunday*
- ◇ **The Book of Kings** | Rabbi Hidary | 8:40 am
  - ◇ **Saadia Gaon’s Book of Beliefs and Opinions** | Sjimon den Hollander | 9:30 am
- Monday*
- ◇ **Second Temple Jewish History** | Rabbi Hidary | 7:00 pm
  - ◇ **Bet Midrash** | Rabbi Hidary, Phil Getz, Dr. Josh Eisen, Rabbi Ira Rohde, Meira Wokenfeld | 8:00 pm
- Fall semester sponsored by Josh Eisen.*  
*This week sponsored by the Roberts family in memory of Maurice A. Saleh and by Anonymous.*

- Tuesday*
- ◇ **Rambam’s Mishneh Torah** | Rabbi Hidary | 7:45 am
  - ◇ **Feasts and Fasts: The Festivals in Jewish Thought- A Class for Women** | Rabbi Soloveichik | 9:00 am
  - ◇ **Talmud Class: Tractate Rosh Hashana and the Philosophy of Jewish Time** | Rabbi Soloveichik | 8:00 pm

Please consider sponsoring a class. Go to:  
[shearithisrael.org/sponsoraaclass](http://shearithisrael.org/sponsoraaclass)

**Parnas Office Hours**  
Louis Solomon would be delighted to meet with you.  
Please schedule a visit at

Our next public tour is:  
**Tuesday, December 8 at 11:00 am**