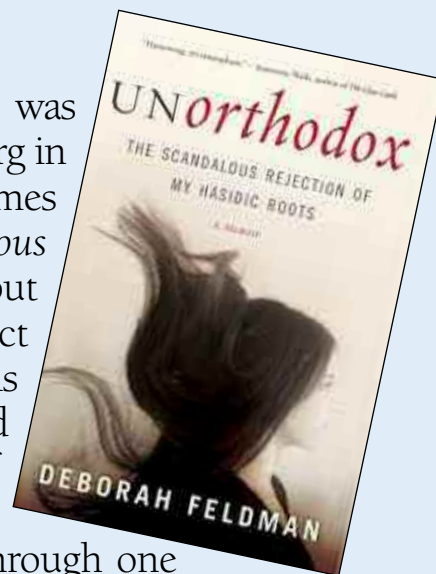




Synaplex

February 8, 2013

This month's Synaplex features Deborah Feldman who was born and raised in the Hasidic community of Williamsburg in Brooklyn, New York. She is the author of the New York Times Bestselling memoir, *UNORTHODOX: The Scandalous Rejection of My Hasidic Roots*. In this arresting memoir about growing up in—and ultimately escaping from—a strict Hasidic community, Deborah Feldman reveals what life is like trapped within a religious sect that values silence and suffering over individual freedoms. The Satmar sect of Hasidic Judaism is as mysterious as it is intriguing to outsiders. *Unorthodox* sheds new light on this subculture through one woman's harrowing tale of repression and self-discovery.



February 10, 2013
See page 19 for details.

Please join us on Wednesday, February 27 at 6:30 pm for the screening of the documentary "Deaf Jam".
See pages 3 + 13 for details.

Israel Adventure with Rabbi Tom Weiner
August 14–25, 2013 — See Page 14.

Visit Berlin and Krakow with Rabbi Shira September 29–October 8. Learn more
http://www.arzaworld.com/Flipbook/Congregation_kol_ami_white_plains/#/1/

SERVICES

Friday, February 1

5:30 pm SHABBAT IN THE WOODS in Gallery

6:15 pm SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE
in Sanctuary

6:15 pm GOT SHABBAT? SERVICE in Chapel

Saturday, February 2

SPIRITUAL LIFT in Chapel

9:00 am Coffee and community

9:30 am Study

11:00 am SERVICE

5:30 pm SHABBAT AFTERNOON SERVICE:

Bat Mitzvah of Jenna Nadasdi in the Sanctuary

Friday, February 8

SYNAPLEX EVENING

5:30 pm SHABBAT IN THE WOODS in Gallery

6:15 pm SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE
in Sanctuary

6:15 pm GOT SHABBAT? SERVICE in Chapel

Saturday, February 9

SPIRITUAL LIFT in Chapel

9:00 am Coffee and community

9:30 am Study

11:00 am SERVICE

10:30 am SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE:

Bat Mitzvah of Emily Kopp in Sanctuary

3:30 pm 4TH GRADE HAVDALAH HISPANICA

7:00 pm INTERFAITH HAVDALAH WITH FRIENDS

Friday, February 15

5:30 pm SHABBAT IN THE WOODS in Gallery

6:15 pm SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE
in Sanctuary

NO GOT SHABBAT? SERVICE

Saturday, February 16

SPIRITUAL LIFT in Chapel

9:00 am Coffee and community

9:30 am Study

11:00 am SERVICE

Friday, February 22

5:30 pm SHABBAT IN THE WOODS in Gallery

6:15 pm SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE in
Sanctuary

NO GOT SHABBAT? SERVICE

Saturday, February 23

SPIRITUAL LIFT in Chapel

9:00 am Coffee and community

9:30 am Study

11:00 am SERVICE

5:30 pm HAVDALAH & PURIM SERVICES
MEGILLAH READING AND MORE

Friday, March 1

SHABBAT ACROSS KOL AMI

3RD GRADE SHABBATON SLEEPOVER

5:30 pm SHABBAT IN THE WOODS in Gallery

6:15 pm SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE
in Sanctuary

6:15 pm GOT SHABBAT? SERVICE in Chapel

Saturday, March 2

SPIRITUAL LIFT in Chapel

9:00 am Coffee and community

9:30 am Study

11:00 am SERVICE

An Important Message from
our Executive Director

Our congregation's safety continues to be our highest priority. Enhanced security measures are in place and are under constant review for further improvements as deemed necessary.

Jane S. Friedberg

Kol Ami's Inclusion Committee

This committee is here to assist any member or visitor with concerns about accessibility, a specific disability or inclusion in our activities. Please contact any one of us to hear your concerns or suggestions.

Gene Kava, esqesk@aol.com

Donna Klein, dklein@donnakleinassociates.com

or Rachel Feld-Glazman, rfeldglazman@gmail.com

Weekly Torah Portions for February

Week ending February 2, 2013

Parashat Yitro Exodus 18:1-20:23

Jethro (Yitro), Moses' father-in-law, observes the toll that Moses' leadership of the Hebrews is taking and advises Moses to delegate some of the responsibility and authority. After several weeks of wandering, the people find themselves at the base of Mount Sinai, where God gives Moses the Ten Commandments.

Week ending February 9, 2013

Parashat Mishpatim Exodus 21:1-24:18

This *parasha* continues the Torah's presentation of Divine legislation. The word *mishpatim* means "case laws" and many such rules—encompassing civil, criminal, and cultic regulations—are enumerated in this chapter. The *parashah* concludes with a covenant ceremony on Mount Sinai.

Week ending February 16, 2013

Parashat Teruma Exodus 25:1-27:19

Parashat Teruma describes the construction of the Tabernacle. God gives meticulously detailed instructions regarding the design and elements of the Tabernacle, especially the Holy Ark. Each individual is asked to contribute to its building materials and furnishings as he or she is motivated.

Week ending February 13, 2013

Parashat T'tzaveh Exodus 27:20-30:10

Parashat Tetzaveh describes the obligations of Aaron and his sons and the rituals surrounding the priests and sacrifice. It has the distinction of being the only *parashah* in the last four books of the Torah in which the name of Moses does not appear.

Wham! Slam! Bam! Jam!

Sounds like—Superman? No, it's not Superman—but man, will it be super. Inspired by an amazing documentary, "Deaf Jam" (you can view the trailer at <http://vimeo.com/28547215>).

Jewish, Muslim and deaf teens will be participating in a poetry slam to



be held at Kol Ami on Friday night, April 12th, 2013.

Several years ago, filmmaker Judy Lieff followed a group of students from the Lexington School for the Deaf to the NYC Urban Poetry Slam—the first time that deaf students were admitted as con-

testants. Each of the deaf contestants was paired with a hearing member of the Urban Poetry Workshop. The charismatic young woman (a high school junior and senior at the time of the filming) emerging as the star is the young Aneta Brodski, whose Jewish deaf family (Aneta, her parents and younger brother) emigrated from Russia to Israel and then to New York City. She is paired with Tahani—a hearing poet—who is Muslim and Palestinian. You can begin to imagine the obstacles that separate the experiences and worldviews of these two young contestants.

We will be screening the documentary for our high school students on Wednesday evening, February 27th. The whole congregation is invited to join us for this screening. The stars of the film, Aneta and Tahani, will be with us to moderate a Q&A following the film. You are welcome to bring your friends, your parents, your (older) kids and grandchildren. Wednesday, February 27th – 6:30-8:30 pm.

The screening of the film launches a project within our Kol Ami high school program—in which a select number of our students will be able to participate with Aneta and Tahani in a four-session workshop (all on Wednesday evenings)—together with Muslim high school students and students from the New York School for the Deaf—culminating in a poetry slam after Friday night services—Synaplex, April 12th.



We read every day in the news about all that divides us – barriers of language, race, religion, culture, physical and emotional capacity. This is a triumph of connection. Mark the two endpoints of this project – the opening night film screening (February 27th) and the closing night performance (April 12th) on your calendar.

Please see page 13 for more information.

Shira

Save The Date

“Let My People Sing!” Music of the Seder March 12 and 19 ♦ 8:00 – 9:00 PM

Why is this class different from all other classes? You will rock the hagaddah!

Join Cantor Mo for a pre-Pesach tune up in which we will discover new melodies and rediscover old melodies for our upcoming Seder. Our melodies will draw from Cantorial music, the folk tradition, spirituals, and more! All participants will be given music and recordings of songs learned together. No formal musical knowledge required.

Reservations are necessary so we have sufficient material. Please contact Valerie Heim no later than March 8th at vheim@nykolami.org or 949-4717 x 103.

From the Religious School



February... the cold, dark, SHORT month! Even so, there is lots of activity in our school. Grade level book club discussions have begun and Family Shabbats are well underway. Join us as we welcome in the Shabbat of Inclusion with our Yad B'Yad students at services on Friday, February 1st. Our 4th graders will share Havdallah with their families at their Havdallah Hispanica, a celebration of the history, music and dance of the Jews of Spain on the afternoon of February 9th.

Every year, when Passover seems ages away,

our students work to raise money for the Religious School with the Annual Passover Candy Sale. Please help your child to support our school by purchasing some Passover candy to share with family and friends. Orders can be made online by going to www.misschocolate.com, or stop by the office for an order form.

All our upper school students (7th through 12th grades) are now participating in chug-gim (mini courses). The students have the opportunity to select courses based on their interests and those of us teaching are able to share our expertise, passion and love of Jewish learning with our students in a new way. Courses include Mitzvah Clowning;

What does it mean to be a Man?; Eat Like a Jew: Food and Jewish Ethics; Jewish Leadership and Comic Art. Hopefully we're helping our teens engage in Jewish learning that will lead to Jewish living.

This year, Purim falls during the school break, so our Purim Carnival will take place when we return. Get your costumes ready and mark your calendar for Sunday, March 3rd when we'll have our annual Religious School Purim Carnival! Once we get to Purim, Spring is right around the corner! The year is flying by...

Felice



Our 7th Grade Mitzvah Clowning Class

Support our Religious School! OUR ANNUAL PASSOVER CANDY SALE

is taking place now through March.

We will be selling BARTONS kosher for Passover confections. All the proceeds from the sale support programs and activities in our Religious School. **No order is too small.**

Let us take care of your Passover holiday needs! Order Forms are available by the main office or you can order online at www.misschocolate.com Thank You for your support!

From the Director of the Early Childhood Program

*Love is something if you give it away,
Give it away, give it away.
Love is something if you give it away,
It comes right back to you...*

And that's just what we're learning every day in the ECP! February especially is filled with wonderful opportunities in the ECP to share our love.

Beginning on February 1st and extending throughout the entire month, our families will have the opportunity to donate new items for infants and toddlers including bottles, formula, baby food, shoes, and clothing. Our collection will be donated to the Westchester Coalition for the Hungry and Homeless at the end of the month. If you would like to partner with us, please drop off any of these much-needed items in the cradle outside the ECP office anytime during the month.

On Thursday, February 7th, 3's, 4's, and Pre-K's will participate in our sixth annual Book Swap. Each child brings in 2 books to share – they can pick one from the selection to keep and the rest of the books are donated to the shelters in our area.

Wednesday, February 13th, the nursery school will be sponsoring our annual Share the Love Mitzvah Bake Sale. The Bake Sale will take place in our Auditorium from 9:00-9:45 am and the entire Kol Ami community is invited and encouraged to join us for coffee and treats. The monies earned from this event are used for our Mitzvah Morning Project to be held at the end of May with the preschool children from The Center for Learning of New Rochelle. Last year we invited the Center's 3 and 4 year olds to come and play with us. Each of the children who came to visit received a new book, made a new friend, and enjoyed a delicious ice cream treat. We were also able to buy their school two new tricycles for their playground. It was a wonderful morning for everyone and we look forward to the children's visit again this year.

We will begin our Share the Love month again with our 3's, 4's and Pre-K children decorating quilts for terminally ill children and end our month of fun with our annual Purim Carnival...

*Oh Purim is a time when
We laugh and sing...*

And laugh we will – we'll laugh and sing, eat Hamantaschen, listen while Rabbi Shira reads the Megillah and leads our costume parade. We'll enjoy our very own ECP Purim Carnival too. This year on Wednesday, February 27th we will again join together as one community and enjoy Purim in the ECP in a warm and wonderful way.

*Megillah, gillah, gillah roll
Gillah roll away...*

February promises to be our month of sharing, caring and holiday fun.

*It's just like a magic penny,
Hold it close and you won't have any,
Lend it, spend it, give it away,
It comes right back to you...*

Nan



Please Join The Early Childhood Program At
**Our Annual Share the Love
Mitzvah Bake Sale**
Wednesday, February 13th
In Our Auditorium — 9:00-9:45am



All proceeds from our sale will be used towards a
School-wide Tzedakah project for the children from
The Early Learning Center in New Rochelle
Everyone is Welcome. See you there!

From Our Co-Presidents: *Reflections on 2012 and Looking Forward to 2013*

As we look back upon 2012, we marvel once again at the shared accomplishments made possible by Kol Ami's committed and connected congregants, our incomparable clergy and dedicated staff. We celebrated the Shabbat of Hanukkah as we dedicated our beautiful new sacred space, an experience all in attendance will long remember. The views from and of the new bima were stunning! Overall, 2012 was an exciting year for Kol Ami and here are some of the initiatives and events that have been implemented, as well as a few that are expected to be addressed over the next few months.

- I. *The New Sanctuary*—It is difficult to fathom that the Town Hall Meeting held to discuss the possibilities for enhancing our sanctuary took place only two years ago, late in 2010, and that the first public press release was dated February 6, 2012. Between those dates, the Capital Campaign Committee, chaired by Andrea Seiden with staff liaison Janet Hershey, and the Building Committee, with staff liaison Jane Friedberg, worked tirelessly so that by the time of the public launch L'Dor Va'Dor was already a great success. The Building Committee and Design Subcommittee continued to work closely throughout 2012 with the architects, engineers, consultants, artists, contractors and financial institutions to make the project an aesthetic success. Similarly, the Capital Campaign Committee continued with the necessary fund raising to ensure that the project was a financial success.
- II. *Classroom Structural and Aesthetic Improvements*—We undertook an aesthetic and structural enhancement of our classrooms. The work was accomplished over the summer and ran concurrent with the sanctuary project. Thanks to the efforts of Paul Mauro and our custodial staff, the work was completed in time for ECP and Religious school students to learn in newly re-furnished classrooms for the fall semester.
- III. *Building Security*—An assessment has been completed and enhancements to our existing security systems together with new systems are expected to be implemented shortly to assure a secure environment for all congregants, students, staff and guests.
- IV. *Outreach to 20s/30s*—We are reaching out to those living in Westchester and NYC to keep them connected with Kol Ami and each other through a series of social events.
- V. *"got shabbat?" service*—This Shabbat evening program was conceived and implemented so that our first through fifth graders and their families enjoy a weekly Shabbat experience.
- VI. *Shabbat Across Kol Ami* provided an opportunity for congregants to host or participate in a relaxed Shabbat dinner while getting to know new friends and strengthening ties with existing friends. Rave reviews resulted in another such evening being planned by co-chairs Wendy Zimmerman and Heather Zuckerman and scheduled for March 1, 2013.
- VII. *The Second Night Seder*, sponsored by KABRO and implemented by congregants Jay Hack, Scott Pollak and George Shapiro, was a wonderful community celebration which included fabulous food, fun and a creative spiritual experience.
- VIII. *Community Break the Fast*—Our first, and hopefully annual, Kol Ami Community Break the Fast was held immediately following the conclusion of Yom Kippur services. It was very well attended by over 70 members. Thanks to Lisa Borowitz and Laura Barzilai for making it happen.
- IX. *"Life is a Cabernet"*, co-chaired by Shragit Glazman and Lori Kitaygorodsky, was an evening of exceptional music, food and wine which raised necessary funds to support the wide array of programs Kol Ami provides. This year's spring fundraiser will honor the members of our Building Committee on May 4, 2013 and, with a robust attendance, will provide necessary funding to continue to enrich our programming as well as our efforts to supplement dues for those needing assistance.
- X. *Mini Golf "Classic"*—This sure-to-be enjoyable event has been in the planning stages for the past few months and is scheduled to take place on February 10, 2013. Families, children and adults of all ages are invited to participate. There will be snacks, raffles and lots of fun to be shared by all. Golfing ability is definitely not a prerequisite to enjoy this event.
- XI. *Our Women of Reform Judaism*, led by Ellen Kurtz, initiated a series of spiritual and fun-filled Havdalah evenings for women. The next one is scheduled for February 2, 2013.
- XII. *Clergy Contracts*—We negotiated new three year contracts with both of our rabbis, Shira Milgrom and Tom Weiner, assuring that their partnership continues to inspire our congregants and guests.
- XIII. *Kodomo Kuni*—We negotiated a new lease with this school, with whom we have shared space for many years.
- XIV. *Annual Fund*—Under the leadership of Daryl Moss and Ellen Litt, our Annual Fund raised over \$160,000 towards our operating budget.
- XV. *Operating Budget*—We developed and delivered another surplus budget under the capable leadership of our previous Treasurer, Margie Lewis.
- XVI. *"World Cafe"*—A Board brainstorming session resulted in the identification of numerous Board initiatives which are being studied by topic-oriented task forces which report to the Board. Recommendations from these task forces are already being presented and implemented.
- XVII. *Capital Budget*—A task force has been empowered to work on the development of a capital budget. The findings and recommendations are expected to be reported to the Board of Trustees in April, 2013.
- XVIII. *Refinancing our existing mortgage* has, thanks to congregant Jay Hack and trustee Howard Klein, resulted in a savings of over \$40,000 per year in annual debt service costs.
- XIX. *Premium Dues Initiative*—A task force was formed in 2012 and trustees Gerri Sommers and Elizabeth Ward reported to the Board of Trustees in January, 2013 with their recommendations for encouraging congregants who are able to do so to join the ranks of premium dues payers.
- XX. *Marketing Programs and Events*—Trustee Lori Abrams addressed the Board of Trustees representing a group tasked with more effectively getting the word out about our new sanctuary.



Photo by Mariela Melamed

From Our Co-Presidents: *continued*

ary, ongoing programs and planned events.

XXI. *Incident Reporting*—Our incident investigation and reporting procedures were updated and formalized.

XXII. *Temple Policy and Procedures Manual*—Our secretary Jess Lorden conducted an extensive review of Kol Ami's policies and procedures which led to the completion of a comprehensive written Policy and Procedure Manual. Resolutions of our Board of Trustees are now formally memorialized and the manual will be updated as new resolutions are enacted.

XXIII. *Committees*—Our entire committee structure has been re-structured and re-invigorated. A task force led by past Kol Ami President Lisa Borowitz made several recommendations which were studied by the Executive Committee and Board of Trustees. The outcome

is a new "table of organization" of committees, which is composed of four committee groupings, each of which is led by a temple vice president or the treasurer. The first joint meeting of the new committee co-chairs and Executive Committee took place in November, 2012 and proved to be an upbeat, productive session which was planned and led by vice presidents Hank Rouda and Jess Lorden.

XXIV. *Technology*—Trustee Judy Sarch continues to lead us in enhancing our electronic capabilities through improvements to our website and Facebook page, assisting the rabbis in their blog and ensuring that our online payment systems are as user friendly as possible.

XXV. *Planned Giving*—Trustee Evelyne Klein has planned and is in the

process of rolling out a Planned Giving Initiative, educating congregants on the spiritual and financial benefits of considering Kol Ami in estate planning.

It is almost impossible to believe that this list is just a sampling of what has been going on at Kol Ami in 2012. We encourage everyone to visit our website regularly, to read This Week at Kol Ami as well as the monthly Connection, and to feel free to contact us if you have any suggestions for other things that you would like to see happening. We look forward to continuing to work with you over the coming months and continue to be grateful for the honor of serving as your co-presidents.

*Warmest regards,
Ronnie and Mark*

Planned Giving: How to Get Started

In the January *Connection*, we wrote about how Planned Bequests perpetuate what you believe in while still providing for your families and offering potential tax benefits.

Preparing your will and estate plan does not need to be cumbersome or complicated:

1. Start by gathering information about your assets, including retirement funds, bank accounts, and real property.
2. Think about the people and organizations that matter most to you and how you would like to provide for them.
3. Think about who you would like to serve as your executor or trustee.
4. Meet with a professional estates attorney. If you do not have one, or do not know someone to ask, we can provide a list of such attorneys for you to contact.

So how does one go about creating a Planned Bequest?

It can be simple: a few sentences in your will or trust are all that is needed—some examples are provided below.

1. It is revocable: because you are not actually making a gift until after your lifetime, you can change your mind and revoke trust any time.
2. It is versatile: You can structure the bequest to leave a specific item, or

amount of money; make the gift contingent on certain events, or leave a percentage of your estate to Congregation Kol Ami.

3. It can provide tax relief: If your estate is subject to estate tax, your gift could have some tax benefits. Please consult your estate attorney.

General Bequest

A general bequest is for a specific dollar amount:

I bequeath the sum of \$_____ to Congregation Kol Ami, a not-for-profit organization, located at 252 Soundview Avenue, White Plains, NY 10606

Specific Bequest

A specific bequest is for a specific piece of property:

I bequeath (describe property) to Congregation Kol Ami, a not-for-profit Organization located at 252 Soundview Avenue, White Plains, NY 10606.

Residuary Bequest

A residuary bequest may be for a percentage or all of the remaining estate after payment of debts, taxes, expenses and all other bequests:

I devise and bequeath _____ percent of the residue of my estate to Congregation Kol Ami, a not-for-profit organization located at 252 Soundview Avenue, White Plains, NY 10606;

OR:

I devise and bequeath the rest, residue and remainder of my estate to Congregation Kol Ami, a not-for profit organization located at 252 Soundview Avenue, White Plains, NY 10606

Contingent Bequest

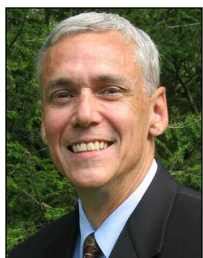
A contingent bequest plans for the situation when the beneficiary of a bequest dies before you or disclaims the property:

If (name of person) pre-deceases me or disclaims any interest in (describe property), I bequeath such property to Congregation Kol Ami, a not-for-profit organization located at 252 Soundview Avenue, White Plains, NY 10606.

We hope the above has been helpful. Please feel free to contact Evelyne Klein at 914-761-7659, or Janet Hershey at 914-949-4717x115 with any questions you may have.

Meet Our Members: Meet the Interfaith Family Committee Co-Chairs

The Interfaith Family Committee Co-Chairs' mission is to act as an information resource and support arm for all Kol Ami families with one or more non-Jewish members. The co-chairs are Liz Mueller and Sean Reynolds. The Committee's current activities include organizing discussion groups around topics ranging from how to handle the holidays in an interfaith home all the way to b'nai mitzvah decisions, as well as organizing social events for interfaith couples and families.



Sean is originally from Boston, MA and joined Kol Ami twelve years ago. A proud graduate of Marianhill Central Catholic High School, he can unequivocally say that everything depicted in the Broadway musical "Nunsense" is true. He's a career technology and consulting professional, currently working at New York Life Insurance as a project manager. Sean's wife

Karen is a manager in Global Treasury at IBM. They have three children: Alexandra, currently in her junior year at SUNY Binghamton; Catherine, a sophomore at White Plains High School; and Matthew who's in 8th Grade at Highlands Middle School. In previous years, Sean has been active in both the Children's and Adult Drama Clubs, and is currently on temporary hiatus from the Adult Choir (much to Cantor Mo's chagrin).

Liz was raised as a proud Reform Jew in an Interfaith home in New Rochelle. She graduated from the University of Wisconsin Madison and received her MA at Fordham University. Before becoming a full-time mother three years ago, she worked as Assistant Director of National Public Affairs at Hebrew Union College - Jewish Institute of Religion in New York. HUC-JIR is the educational and intellectu-



al center of Reform Judaism. Liz and her husband Dan Mueller met in their sophomore dorm at the University of Wisconsin. A native of Milwaukee, Dan is a software engineer and avid runner. The Muellers joined Kol Ami in 2010 when their daughter Gabi entered the First Friends program. Gabi is now in the ECP 3's program. They have all enjoyed attending various ECP events these past three years, and Liz is excited to join as the co-chair of the Interfaith Committee.

To subscribe to the Interfaith Family Committee mailing list, for more information, or just to chat with other congregants in interfaith families, please contact: Sean Reynolds, 914-659-8206 or whoisthatguy@optonline.net, or Liz Mueller, 914-393-3570 or emcnamara@uwalumni.com.

Please see page 9 for more information on the Interfaith Havdalah to be held at the home of Hank and Jean Rouda on February 9 at 7:30 PM.



WOMEN OF REFORM JUDAISM — "Sisterhood"

January's Tequila and Talmud was a huge success with an amazing turnout of 63 attendees. A fabulous evening was spent sharing conversation, drinks, food and study with Rabbi Shira. Many thanks to Pam Rubin for graciously providing her home for the event.

With January behind us, we have many other activities and events to which we can look forward. February brings *Chefs of Sisterhood, scheduled for February 2*, and the delivery of Purim Baskets. The following month, we will be having our annual *March Madness Ladies Night Out*. Look for details in upcoming *This Week at Kol Ami* announcements. Also in the planning stage are an *author in residence program, our Membership Dinner and a Sunday afternoon concert*.

Please remember to check for notices of these events in future temple announcements and *Connection* issues. We hope to see you there!

JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF
DRINKS, FOOD AND ENTERTAINMENT
AT THE
KOL AMI SPRING FUNDRAISER

HONORING THE BUILDING COMMITTEE

Glen Coben, Howard Klein, Margie Lewis,
Jonathan Litt, George Lusk, Mariela Melamed,
Steve Rieger, Hank Rouda, Ginny Ruder,
Maggy Weber

AND Andrea Seiden and Jay Hack

SATURDAY, MAY 4th 2013
7:30pm - 11pm
at

Congregation Kol Ami
252 Soundview Avenue
White Plains, New York
10606

LOOK FOR YOUR INVITE IN MARCH!!!

More Friends for Shabbat!

In case you haven't heard, Kol Ami's **Shabbat/Havdalah with Friends** evenings have been a resounding success. **Shabbat and Havdalah with Friends** has filled us with food, wine, conversation and laughter. Best of all, these gatherings have been part of our goal to build a community of caring, sharing and love. There are still many dates to choose from and we are always looking for more hosts. Hosts can choose to invite guests for dinner, for coffee and dessert, or for drinks and appetizers. If you would like to host a meal, or if you have any questions please contact Ilene Miller at imillerkolami@gmail.com or 914-949-4717 x111.

2013 DATES

Shabbat with Friends...

Mar 8 hosted by Bob and Judy Asher

Apr 19 hosted by Lisa Borowitz

May 3 hosted by Susan and Paul Davis

Interfaith Havdalah (and a Nosh)

An Interfaith Evening, hosted by Hank & Jean Rouda

End Shabbat with friends, bountiful appetizers & fun

Saturday February 9th, 2013, 7:30PM

Hank & Jean Rouda's Home

40 Tennyson St.,

Hartsdale, NY 10530

(914) 421-1281

Special Guest: Rabbi Tom Weiner

Please RSVP to Sean Reynolds (whoisthatguy@optonline.net) or (914) 684-0616

Important Message from our Executive Director

It has been brought to my attention that people are using the Cushman Road entrance as an exit. This creates a dangerous situation for all users. The Cushman Road entrance is clearly marked as a one-way entrance only. Please use the other Kol Ami exits when leaving our property. Please remember that this entrance is closed once there is snow.

We do not plow the back parking lot. Thank you for your cooperation.

second annual
Shabbat across
KOL AMI
friday March 1



Please join your Kol Ami neighbors
on Friday, March 1st
for an evening of food, fun and community

6:15 pm: Shabbat services at Kol Ami

7:30 pm: dine at the home of a Kol Ami member
adults only **or** families (**host choice**)
bring and share



To be a host or attend this free event, call or email

Wendy Zimmermann 914-409-7950 wendyzimm@yahoo.com

Heather Zuckerman 914-722-8338 hlzuckerman@gmail.com



Kol Ami Early Childhood Program

Warm, Nurturing and Enriching

Registration for 2013-2014 Now Open

First Friends: A Toddler Program

2, 3, 4 and 5-Day 2's • 3, 4, and 5-Day 3's • Morning 4's

Full & Half-Day 4's • Extended Day Program for 3's & 4's

A Step Ahead! Our Pre-K program for children turning 5 from September through December

Call for an appointment and tour today • Nan Blank, Director, at Ext. 107

Congregation Kol Ami Early Childhood Program



Drop in and be part of our new group...

Mommy Talk!

Designed for moms and infants 2–9 months. Our discussions will be led by Susan Davis, CSW

Topics will be related to parenting babies at this stage

We will meet in the Gallery every other Thursday morning (coinciding with the ECP calendar year)

Meeting the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 9:00 – 10:30 am

Come and see what we're all about... everyone is welcome – Friends too!

Questions? Please call Nan Blank in the ECP office at 949-4717 x107.



**COME IN
COSTUME!**

PURIM AT KOL AMI SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23rd

- 5:30: Havdalah and Purim Services
Megillah reading
"Open mic" - bring your best Jewish jokes (PG/G,
please & under a minute)!
- 6:30: Purim BBQ – Hotdogs, Burgers, Veggie
burgers, & all the fixins

**DON'T MISS OUR ANNUAL RELIGIOUS SCHOOL CARNIVAL
ON SUNDAY MARCH 3RD!**

This year, instead of groggers, bring a box of pasta to shake and donate!!
As is tradition, we will be collecting money for *ma'ot chitim* (to provide Pesach foods for Jews in need).

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Adult Name(s) _____

Children's Names & Ages _____

Phone # _____ **Email address** _____

☐ I / We will be staying for the Purim BBQ
Adults @\$15 _____ # Children (12 & under) @\$10 _____

TOTAL ENCLOSED
\$ _____

☐ I will tell a joke!

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO CONGREGATION KOL AMI

Kol Ami invites you to the screening of **Deaf Jam**



Wednesday, February 27th
6:30 — 8:30 pm
Congregation Kol Ami
252 Soundview Avenue
White Plains, NY
914-949-4717

In the documentary, **Deaf Jam**, Aneta Brodski seizes the day. She is a deaf teen introduced to American Sign Language (ASL) Poetry, who then boldly enters the spoken word slam scene. In a wondrous twist, Aneta, an Israeli immigrant living in the Queens section of New York City, eventually meets Tahani Salah, a hearing Palestinian slam poet. The two women embark on a collaboration/performance duet - creating a new form of slam poetry that speaks to both the hearing and the Deaf. You can view the trailer at <http://vimeo.com/28547215>). The stars of the film, Aneta and Tahani, will be with us to moderate a Q&A following the film.

The screening of this film launches a project (led by Aneta and Tahani) with our Kol Ami high school students, Westchester Muslim high school students and students from the NY School for the Deaf—culminating in
A Live Performance: Muslim, Jewish & Deaf Poetry Slam,
at our April 12th Synaplex.

Admission is free and open to the community.

ASL Interpretation provided.



"Deaf Jam" is a co-production of Made-By-Hand, LLC and the Independent Television Service [ITVS], with funding provided by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting [CPB].



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www.deafjam.org



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Congregation Kol Ami

August 14–25, 2013

Led by Rabbi Tom Weiner

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- Wade through Hezekiah's water tunnel, built 2,700 years ago in Jerusalem
- Explore the Talmudic City of Zippori
- Meet young IDF soldiers
- Hike to the Nahal David oasis at the Ein Gedi nature reserve in the Judean desert
- Ride camels at Kfar Hanokdim followed by a Bedouin "hafla" dinner
- Join Beit Tefilah Yisraeli for a lively Kabbalat Shabbat service
- Discuss Jewish Political Morality
- Hands-on workshop at the De Karina Chocolate Factory



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For more information contact Rabbi Tom Weiner: 914-949-4717 x114

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FRIDAY

February 8, 2013

Featuring Deborah Feldman, author of the
New York Times Bestselling memoir

UNORTHODOX: The Scandalous Rejection of My Hasidic Roots

5:00 pm

- ◆ Explorations in Jewish Music with Cantor Mo Glazman and special guests David Glukh and Gennady Gutkin, a smaller unit of the larger 5 piece band The David Glukh Klezmer Ensemble. They have recorded 2 CDs and have toured around the country and beyond in concert performances in over 30 states. In addition to their concert engagements, DGKE has been a featured wedding and corporate events entertainer in a variety of special events at the Plaza, Pier, Waldorf Astoria Hotels, & Rainbow Room, attended by Bill, Hillary Clinton, Caroline Kennedy and Major Michael Bloomberg.
€ Main Sanctuary

5:30 pm

- ◆ Shabbat in the Woods
€ Petschek Gallery

6:00 pm

- ◆ Unwind with Hors d'oeuvres
€ Atrium

6:15 pm

- ◆ Shabbat Services
€ Main Sanctuary
- ◆ Torah Study
€ Conference Room

- ◆ Got Shabbat? Shabbat together – for elementary school children and parents.
€ Schulman Chapel in the Woods

7:15 pm

- ◆ Shabbat Dinner (your choice)
€ "Quiet Conversation" Shabbat Dinner
€ Community & Family Shabbat Dinner
€ Teen Shabbat Dinner
€ Shabbat Picnic Dinner (we will provide challah, set up, wine, dessert & beverages; you bring your own Shabbat meal)

Adults \$25/Children & Teens \$15
Picnickers \$10/Free for children 5 & under

7:30 pm

- ◆ Tzedakah Sandwich making and Arts and Crafts with Bonnie Wach
€ Petschek Gallery

8:00 pm

- ◆ Supervised Sports and Games with Coach Steve
For Children in Grades K-6
€ Gym

All reservations must be received by 5:00 pm Wed., Feb 6th and are non-refundable unless cancelled 2 days prior to the Synaplex Shabbat.

8:00 pm

- ◆ THE MAIN EVENT—
Deborah Feldman, author of the New York Times Bestselling memoir, ***UNORTHODOX: The Scandalous Rejection of My Hasidic Roots***.

In this arresting memoir about growing up in—and ultimately escaping from—a strict Hasidic community in Brooklyn, Deborah Feldman reveals what life is like trapped within a religious sect that values silence and suffering over individual freedoms. Currently, she is working on a follow-up memoir, which finds her embarking on independence as a single woman and mother, finding a new kind of Jewish life for herself, and discovering the far-flung yet familiar community of many like-minded "religious refugees" of all faiths around the world, due out in October of 2013.

€ Main Sanctuary

9:30 pm

- ◆ Dessert Oneg

Save the Dates for Future
Synaplex Events

March 15
April 12

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Adult Name/s _____

Children's Name/s &

Ages _____

Phone # _____

Email address _____

"Quiet Conversation Dinner" Adults Only
Adults _____ @ \$25/ea

"Community & Family Dinner"
Adults _____ @ \$25/ea
Children/teens _____ @ \$15/ea
Children _____ 5 & under free

"Shabbat Picnic Dinner" Adults Only
Adults _____ @ \$10/ea

PLEASE SEAT US WITH:

TOTAL ENCLOSED

\$\$ _____

SEATING IS PLANNED 2 DAYS IN ADVANCE.
ANY LAST MINUTE SEATING REQUESTS CANNOT BE GUARANTEED.

Congratulations



JENNA MIKAYLA NADASDI, daughter of Vivian and Mark Nadasdi and sister to Melissa, will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on February 2, 2013. For her Mitzvah Project, Jenna volunteered in Far Rockaway, Queens and helped families clean their homes that were damaged by Hurricane Sandy. In addition, she collected toys for Share the Light, Give One Night Chanukah Toy Drive, and helped prepare meals for the homeless at the Open Arms Shelter in White Plains. Jenna is a seventh grader at Edgemont Junior/Senior High School. In the fall she plays soccer on the modified and travel teams and in the spring she plays lacrosse. Jenna is an avid New York Rangers fan. She enjoys watching hockey and spending time with her family and friends.



EMILY KOPP, daughter of Russ Kopp and Robin Schiff, will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on February 9th, 2013. For her Mitzvah project, Emily spent time with kids at Lawrence Hospital while they were sick to make their stay more enjoyable. She is also holding a collection in the religious school lobby to collect toys and books for the waiting room at that hospital. Emily is a 7th grader at Scarsdale Middle School and a graduate of Greenacres Elementary School. She enjoys playing cello, writing stories, playing with her dog, and doing gymnastics. Emily is looking forward to being able to read from the Torah in the coming days.

Sixth Grade B'nai Mitzvah Workshops for Parents & Children Be Sure to Join Us on These Dates:

Sat., Feb. 2nd at 10:00 am
Sun., March 10th at 9:00 am

Sixth Graders and their parents are expected to attend.

SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

Repairing the World — Tikkun Olam

Yad b' Yad Students link culture through play

On Wednesday December 19th the Yad B' Yad students became teachers and mentors to children at the Slater Center located in White Plains. They presented the children with holiday gifts, read to them the story of Hanukkah, made edible dreidels, Jewish arts and crafts and learned how to play dreidel. It was a rewarding experience for everyone. The students ended the evening by supporting a local business. The students shared an enjoyable dinner at Uno's Pizzeria in White Plains. Thank you, Uno's!!

For the month of February, Emily Kopp will have a donation box in the religious school lobby to collect new and used toys and children's books to give to the playroom of Lawrence Hospital in Bronxville.

This is Emily's Mitzvah Project. Lawrence Hospital is a local hospital that has a small pediatric center and doesn't have as many resources as some larger hospitals in the area. Giving toys and books for the playroom will allow kids to have a more enjoyable stay while sick. Please stop by and contribute to the box. Thank you.

Volunteer needed to represent Kol Ami at SHORE'S monthly meetings

Sheltering the Homeless is Our Responsibility (SHORE) was founded in 1985 on behalf of people with housing needs. SHORE helps homeless families in Central Westchester find permanent housing. Since 1990, SHORE has developed 22 new units of affordable housing, including 15 rentals and/or home ownerships.

For more information, contact: Harley Lewis, 949-0189 or Gene Kava, 428-9362.

KOL AMI SINGERS

It's a mitzvah to bring an hour of music, companionship and smiles to those in need.

Wed Feb 27th 2:30 pm – The Osborn

Wed Mar 20th 2:30 pm – King St Nursing Home

Wed Apr 24th 3:30pm – The Esplanade
(note different time)

Questions? Please contact Murray Shapiro, 946-7789

COOKING FOR THE HOMELESS

Meets in the Kol Ami Kitchen

For Sunday Information: Nancy Marcus - 725-7231

For Monday Information: Laura Green - 949-6113

Sundays at 11:00 am: 2/10, 3/3, 4/14, 5/5, 6/2

Mondays at noon: 2/4, 3/11, 4/15, 5/6, 6/3.

If you are interested in chairing Monday Cooking for the Homeless in 2013, please contact Laura Green at 949-6113.

KOL AMI WOMEN'S OASIS AT HOME

We gather. We explore. We learn. We connect.

It's time for this year's inspiring book series, led by Rabbi Shira Milgrom, Rabbi Pamela Wax, WJCS Spiritual Care Coordinator, and Dr. Ellen Umansky, the Carl and Dorothy Bennett Professor of Judaic Studies and Director of the Dorothy Bennett Center for Judaic Studies at Fairfield University, CT.

First we will reach for a deeper spirituality as we delve into:

Climbing Jacob's Ladder by Alan Morinis. One man's journey of rediscovery that reveals the central teachings and practices that are the spiritual treasury and legacy of Mussar. Alan Morinis, author and Dean of the Mussar Institute will be keynote speaker at Kol Ami's Synaplex on Friday, November 2nd.



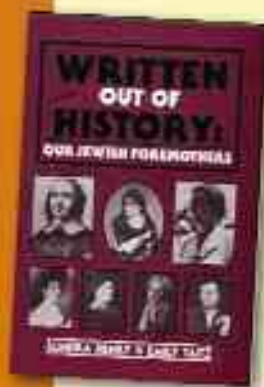
Thursday, October 4
7:30-9:30pm in the Sukkah at the home
of Rabbi Shira Milgrom

Sunday, December 16
9:15-11:00am in the Schulman
Chapel in the Woods

For the second half of the series we rejoice in the strength of Jewish women, as we read and discuss:

Written Out of History: Our Jewish Foremothers by Emily Taitz and Sondra Henry.

By sifting through historical reports, letters, memoirs, court papers, and other documents, the authors rediscover and rescue from obscurity the records of Jewish women from the Bible and Talmud, ancient Greece and Egypt, through medieval and Renaissance times, and into the modern period — proving Jewish women's presence as a vital force in the march of the Jewish people



Thursday, February 28, 2013
7:30-9:30pm
Location to be announced

Sunday, April 28
9:15-11:00am
in the Schulman Chapel in the Woods

The series cost is \$60 for all four sessions, or \$18.00 for individual sessions.

Refreshments will be served at each session. **Register for the Oasis at Home Series Today!!**

For further information, contact Jill Abraham at 472-5806 or Jill.SA2@verizon.net, or Lauri Carey at 472-8076 or Lauricarey@hotmail.com. To register, please print this flyer and return with a check payable to Kol Ami. Mail to: Congregation Kol Ami, 252 Soundview Avenue, White Plains, NY 10606 or visit www.nykolami.org to register online.

Name _____

Address _____

Email Address _____

Phone _____

Books will be available for pick up in the Rabbi's Study at the temple.

YES, I would like to attend the Series. \$60.00 for all four sessions or \$18.00 per session

☐ Session 1

☐ Session 2

☐ Session 3

☐ Session 4



FEBRUARY 10, 2013

On Sunday, February 10th, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., Congregation Kol Ami will be transformed into a mini-golf course.

PRICE (includes admission and 18 holes of mini-golf)

\$8 for a children (12 and under)

\$10 for adults (13 and over)

Work up an appetite? Have some delicious snacks at our
9th Hole Snack Bar!

There will be an additional charge to
purchase tickets for food and raffles for amazing prizes.

It's the perfect spot for a fun day with your whole family!
Play a round of mini-golf on our beautiful 18-hole course.

**Don't miss this mini-golf extravaganza!
Reserve your tee time now!**

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Mini-Golf 2/10/13

Adult Name/s _____

Children's Name/s &

Ages _____

Phone # _____ Email Address _____

#Adults (13 & over) @ \$10/ea _____

#Children (12 & under) @ \$8/ea _____

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TOTAL ENCLOSED \$\$ _____

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Adult Education

COMING IN MARCH

Let My People Sing!—music of the Seder with Cantor Mo Glazman.

Tuesdays, 3/12 & 3/19 from 8:00-9:00 pm.
See Page 3.

Save the dates for these upcoming Synaplex keynote events:

March 15: "My Journey to Freedom: One Girl's Survivor Story."

Westchester Community College's "Conversation Partners" program brought together congregant Dr. Sanford S. Zevon and Tsering Keyzom, a young girl who escaped from Tibet. At this event, they will speak about her inspiring journey.

April 12: Deaf Jam: Muslim, Jewish, Hearing, Deaf – an exploration of identity, culture, poetry and film.

Join the young performers featured in "Deaf Jam" (showing on February 27) along with students from our high school program, Muslim high school students, and students from the New York School for the Deaf for a poetry slam performance, the culmination of weeks of collaboration kicked off by the screening of the film on February 27.

Jewish Visionaries: Reimagining the Present & Future

With Dr. Ellen Umansky, Carl & Dorothy Bennett
Prof. of Judaic Studies at Fairfield Univ, CT
Sunday mornings, 9:30-11:00 am in the Schulman Chapel
2/3 & 2/10

Jewish Mindfulness Meditation

Led by Ruth Rosenblum, LCSW,
The new WJCS Partners-in-Caring clinician
Thursday mornings, 9:15 - 10:30 am
No class 2/21

Jewish contemplative practices for clearing the mind, softening the heart and opening to the One. All Welcome. No meditation experience necessary.
Schulman Chapel in the Woods

Parenting Workshops

with Susan Davis, LCSW:

Mommy Talk!

Designed for moms and infants age 2 - 9 months.

Topics at this drop in group will be related to parenting babies at this stage.

We will meet in the Gallery.

2/7 and 2/14

9:00-10:30 am

Please call Nan Blank in the ECP office at 949-4717 x107

Sunday Parenting Group

Raising resilient, self-reliant children—
A morning discussion group focusing on a variety of parenting issues and stresses.

2nd Sunday of the month
in the Conference Room

9:15 – 10:45 am

Adolescent Parenting Workshops

Discussion of a range of parenting issues related to adolescence, including physical and emotional development, trust and control issues, and staying connected in the midst of the turmoil.

First & third Thursdays of the month

First Thursday: 9:45 – 11:45 am

Third Thursday: 12:00 noon – 1:30 pm

Grandparenting Workshops

Exploring intergenerational experience and Jewish wisdom as we share the challenges and opportunities of grandparenting.

First Monday of the month

9:15 - 10:45 am

Weekly Torah Study: Parashat Hashavua

Every Friday morning 10:00 – 11:30 am

Led by Kol Ami members

Kol Ami Reads/Book Club

Meets the first Wednesday of every month throughout the year. 9:15 am

Meets in Room 20. For more information call Doris Dingott at 289-0869

Mah Jongg and Bridge

Open To All: Experienced and Novice
Wednesdays 11:30 am. Kol Ami Atrium
Email Wendy Roos to be added to the Mah Jongg email distribution
wendyroos1@aol.com

Wisdom of the Sages

Lunch and Learn at Kol Ami

Bring your lunch and learn with Rabbi Tom. All are welcome. Lively discussions of the world and our lives based on some of the provocative and fascinating texts of Jewish learning.

Tuesdays, 12:00 noon

No class 2/19

Israeli Folk Dance

with Shmulik Gou-Ari*

Connect with the heart and soul of the Jewish story through dance.

Wednesdays

No class 2/20

7:30 – 8:15 pm Beginners

8:15 – 10:00 pm Open Dance

Individual sessions -

\$10 members, \$13 non-members

Current Events

with Beth and Gene Kava

Each session will provide the participants an opportunity to examine

a current issue of the day in depth.

Mondays, 11:00 am - 12:30 pm in Room 20

Feb 4 & 25; Mar 18;

Apr 8 & 22; May 6 & 20

Mitzvah Knitz

Together we will knit baby afghans, caps for Israeli soldiers, and more.

Third Thursday of the month

12:00 noon – 2:00 pm

Women's Roundtable Breakfast

Join Kol Ami's remarkable, multi-generational women for learning & friendship

With Rabbi Shira Milgrom

Wednesdays, 7:45-9:00 am

2/6, 3/6, 4/3, 5/1

Adult Bar and Bat Mitzvah

Make New Friends and Ask Great Questions

Tuesdays 8:00 - 10:00 pm

Feb 5 & 26,

Mar 12, Apr 9

Rabbi Shira Milgrom

Second year of a two year course

Winter Jewish Film Festival

Screening of Israeli films and films with Jewish content

Selected Tuesday evenings at 7:30 pm
in the Petschek Gallery

Moderated by Roger Seti

Free admission & open to the Community

2/5; 3/5

February 5th

The Ramallah Concert

March 5th

A Bottle in the Gaza Sea

Hebrew Classes for Adults*

Pending sufficient enrollment

\$150 per semester (scholarships available)

\$180 per semester for non-members

Wednesday Evenings

with Emily Fields

Advanced Beginners - Aleph Isn't Tough

6:30 – 7:30 pm

No class 2/20

Sunday Mornings

with Emily Fields

No class 2/17, 2/24

Advanced Beginners - Aleph Isn't Tough

10:00 – 11:00 am

Intermediate

11:15 am – 12:15 pm

Sunday Mornings

with Alice Seidman

Intermediate/Advanced

Conversational Hebrew, grammar, vocabulary, reading, and translating current Israeli publications. An informal learning environment.

9:30 – 10:30 am

(Contact Alice Seidman at 953-8455 for further information)

Library News

There appear to be books missing from our second floor library. An Amnesty is extended to people with outstanding, overdue books. Just return the books to the main office (not the library) so that they can be re-shelved for others to use.

Those of you wanting to take books out of the library, please fill out the card in the back of the book with name, date and phone number and place in the box on top of the card catalogue. Thanks so much.

MITZVAH KNITZ

**We will be meeting on
Thursday
February 21
from noon to 2:00 pm.**

Join us.

Knitters of all skill levels are welcome.

For further information, call Elaine Cohen, 725-0248 or elwilco@verizon.net

Kol Ami Reads Book Club

The Fault in Our Stars

by John Green

February 6, 2013

Defending Jacob

by William Landay

March 6, 2013

Half Blood Blues

by Esi Edugyan

April 3, 2013

All meetings are on the first Wednesday of the month at 9:15am in Room 20. Come whether you've read the book or not; the discussion is always lively.

For further information, contact Doris Dingott, 289-0869, DLDingott@gmail.com or Elaine Cohen, 725-0248, elwilco@verizon.net

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**Rabbi Shira Milgrom's
Discretionary Fund**

- In memory of Lynn Sheinbaum, mother of Gary Sheinbaum, from Bettina and Paul Havrilla, Ronnie Vickers, PVH Corporation, Gary and Stacey Sheinbaum
- In memory of Charles Petschek, husband of Elaine Petschek, from Hillary Wohl
- In honor of Barbara Block from Andrew Marcus
- From Talia Milgrom-Elcott
- In memory of Sima Penner Rosenbluth, our mother, from Glenn and Ian Rosenbluth

**Rabbi Tom Weiner's
Discretionary Fund**

- In appreciation and in honor of our son Justin's Bar Mitzvah, from Nancy and Darren Gordon
- In appreciation from Elizabeth and Andrew Ward
- In honor of our children, Julia and Max, from Sue and Rob Golden

**Cantor Mo Glazman's
Discretionary Fund**

- In memory of Sima Penner Rosenbluth, our mother, and with thanks for your support from Glenn and Ian Rosenbluth
- In honor of the naming of our daughter, Casey Hannah Craighead, from Danielle and Michael Craighead
- In memory of my father, Frederick Wershaw and with thanks to the Cantor from Lisa Wershaw

Kol Ami Fund

- Many thanks to Kol Ami for all you do to make the synagogue a welcoming and spiritually uplifting community from Yehezkel Landau
- From Joyce Schrieberman
- In memory of Anita Goodman from Jo and Abe Landau, Lois Laemle
- In honor of David and Lori Okun from Teed Welch
- In appreciation from Edie Mencher
- In memory of Charles I. Petschek from Judy and Jeff Gelfand

Fund for the Needy

- In memory of Frederick Wershaw, father of Steven Wershaw, from Stephen Haber
- In appreciation from Edie Mencher
- In memory of Esther Shapiro, mother of Murray Shapiro, from Lillian Einhorn

People to People

- In gratitude for meals, care and good wishes when Gail was ill from Gail Jasne and Family
- In appreciation from Edie Mencher

Youth Leadership Fund

- In cherished memory of Daniel Lipson, A Man of Integrity, from his loving family

Early Childhood Fund

- In honor of the birth of our grandson, George Eli Loewengart, son of Michael and Kate Loewengart, from Elaine and Steve Loewengart
- In honor of Susan Davis for being a fabulous facilitator for the Grandparenting Workshops from Elaine and Steve Loewengart

**L'Dor Va'Dor
(Capital Campaign) Fund**

- In memory of my father, Hy Roche, from Caron Mencher
- In memory of my parents, Vide and Lou Wiggs, from Grace Wiggs

Adult Ed Fund

- In memory of Seymour Colen, uncle of Ellen Umansky, from Elaine and Jonathan Bowman

CONGRATULATIONS

- To Denise and Bob Goldstein on the marriage of their son Spencer to Jamie Castle
- To Elaine and Steve Loewengart on the birth of their grandson, George Eli Loewengart
- To Erica and Steven Baker on the birth of their daughter, Sydney Rose Baker
- To Margie and Jim Arsham on the birth of their granddaughter, Scarlett Eve Tsiropinas

CONDOLENCES

- To Susan Lerner on the death of her father, Irwin Adoff
- To Barbara Kaminsky on the death of her brother-in-law, Irwin Schwartz
- To Ellen Umansky on the death of her uncle, Seymour Colen
- To Daniel Rosenthal on the death of his father, Stanley Rosenthal
- To Elaine Petschek on the death of her husband, Charles I. Petschek
- To Irene Perry on the death of her aunt, Rae Glauber
- To Gene Cukierwar on the death of his father, Chaim Cukierwar
- To Esther Colbran on the death of her father, Lawrence Friedman
- To Larry Fleischman on the death of his wife, Carol Fleischman
- To Murray Shapiro on the death of his mother, Esther Shapiro
- To Netta Blitman (Dranch) on the death of her father, Leon Isaac Blitman

*We Point
with Pride*

Jay Hack and his son, Jacob, were honorees last month at the annual Brooklyn Queens Lions Club Luncheon for Distinguished Service in acknowledgement of their efforts to prepare and serve hot lunch (using the Kol Ami grill) to 1000 victims of Hurricane Sandy.

Congregant **Rachel Eckhaus'** group Westchester Symphonic Winds will celebrate their 25th anniversary with a concert on Sunday, 2/10/13 at 3:00 pm at the Tarrytown Music Hall.

**In Memoriam
Carol Fleischman
Charles I. Petschek**

Special thanks to Michael of Sunshine Decorators, Mt. Vernon, for his generous donation of ultrasuede. This fabric will be used in completing a mantle for our rescued Holocaust Torah.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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RELIGIOUS SCHOOL 3 9:00 am Sixth Grade B'nai Mitzvah Workshop 9:30 am Jewish Visionaries Class in Chapel 9:30 am Intermed/Adv. Adult Hebrew with A. Seidman 10:00 am Adult Adv. Beg. Hebrew with E. Fields 11:00 am Cooking for the Homeless 11:15 am Adult Intermed. Hebrew with E. Fields	4 9:15 am Grandparenting Group 11:00 am Current Events Class 12:00 pm Kol Ami Cooks	5 12:00 pm Wisdom of the Sages Class 7:30 pm Kol Ami Winter Jewish Film Festival 7:30 pm WRJ Sisterhood meeting 8:00 pm Adult B'Nai Mitzvah Class	6 RELIGIOUS SCHOOL 7:45 am Roundtable Breakfast 9:15 am ECP Class Parent Meeting 9:15 am Book Club 11:30 am Mah Jongg & Bridge 6:00 pm Or Chadash Choir Rehearsal 6:30 pm Adult Advanced Beginners Hebrew 7:30 pm Israeli Dancing	7 9:15 am Jewish Meditation 9:45 am Adolescent Parenting Group	8 10:00 am Torah Study SYNAPLEX 5:30 pm SHABBAT IN THE WOODS in Gallery 6:15 pm SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE in Sanctuary 6:15 pm GOT SHABBAT? SERVICE in Chapel	9 SPIRITUAL LIFT in Chapel 9:00 am Coffee & Community 9:30 am Study 11:00 am SERVICE 10:30 am SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE: Bat Mitzvah Emily Kopp in Sanctuary 3:30 pm 4th GRADE HAVDALAH HISPANICA 7:00 pm INTERFAITH HAVDALAH WITH FRIENDS
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