



“A time to tear down... And a time to build up.”

*For over half a century,
we have celebrated our Jewish community
in this sanctuary.*

*Join us in a beautiful service
on Friday, May 11th, 2012 at 6:15pm
as we begin our journey toward
our re-imagined sacred space.*

*Bring hearts filled with memories
to share, to inscribe, to remember and to write.
Capture this special and last night in this sanctuary
in your mind's eye forever.*

Please join us on Sunday, May 27, 2012 at 7:00 pm for our combined Shavuot, Confirmation and Yizkor Services. Note that there will not be a 10:00 am service this day.

SERVICES

Friday, May 4

5:30 pm SYNAPLEX: TRIAL OF KING DAVID
 6:00 pm SHABBAT IN THE WOODS in Gallery
 6:15 pm NO TEFILLAH TEAM (K-3) Service
 SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE in Main
 Sanctuary

Saturday, May 5

9:00 am SPIRITUAL LIFT in Chapel
 9:30 am Coffee and community
 9:30 am Study
 11:00 am SERVICE
 5:30 pm SHABBAT AFTERNOON SERVICE:
 B'nai Mitzvah of Danielle Okun and
 Samantha Tomkiewicz in Sanctuary

Friday, May 11

5:30 pm DECOMMISSIONING OF OUR
 6:00 pm SANCTUARY
 6:15 pm SHABBAT IN THE WOODS in Gallery
 TEFILLAH TEAM (K-3) Service in Chapel
 SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE in Main
 Sanctuary

Saturday, May 12

9:00 am SPIRITUAL LIFT in Chapel
 9:30 am Coffee and community
 9:30 am Study
 11:00 am SERVICE
 10:30 am SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE:
 B'nai Mitzvah of Charles Miner and
 Michael Salzinger in Sanctuary
 5:30 pm: SHABBAT AFTERNOON SERVICE:
 Bar Mitzvah of Ross Kempner in Chapel

Friday, May 18

5:30 pm SHABBAT IN THE WOODS
 6:00 pm TEFILLAH TEAM (K-3) Service
 6:15 pm SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE

Saturday, May 19

9:00 am SPIRITUAL LIFT
 9:30 am Coffee and community
 9:30 am Study
 11:00 am SERVICE
 10:30 am B'nai Mitzvah of Rachel Sarch and
 Sasha Thaler in Main Building

Friday, May 25

5:30 pm SHABBAT IN THE WOODS
 6:00 pm TEFILLAH TEAM (K-3) Service
 6:15 pm SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE

Saturday, May 26

9:00 am EREV SHAVUOT
 9:30 am SPIRITUAL LIFT
 9:30 am Coffee and community
 11:00 am Study
 10:30 am SERVICE
 SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE:
 Bat Mitzvah of Olivia Rodnick in Chapel

Sunday, May 27

7:00 pm SHAVUOT
 SHAVUOT, CONFIRMATION & YIZKOR
 SERVICES

Friday, June 1

5:30 pm SHABBAT IN THE WOODS
 6:00 pm TEFILLAH TEAM (K-3) Service
 6:15 pm SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE

Saturday, June 2

9:00 am SPIRITUAL LIFT
 9:30 am Coffee and community
 9:30 am Study
 11:00 am SERVICE
 10:30 am SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE:
 Bat Mitzvah of Sydney Shah in Chapel

REMINDER:

Our Annual Meeting
 of the Congregation will be held on
 Tuesday, May 8th at 8:00 pm at the
 Temple. Please plan to attend.

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, esquesk@aol.com

Donna Klein, dklein@donnakleinassociates.com or
 Rachel Feld-Glazman, rachel.feld-glazman@nyumc.org.

Weekly Torah Portions for May

Week ending May 5, 2012

Parashat Ahare-Mot/Kedoshim Leviticus 16:1-20:27

In this double *parasha*, God speaks to Moses after the death of Aaron's two sons, who were killed for coming too close to the presence of God. God instructs Moses and Aaron on the procedures surrounding Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement. *Parashat Kedoshim* continues with the practical and interpersonal applications of holiness. God describes to Moses many ethical and ritual laws aimed to help people live lives of holiness. The laws described include some of those recorded in the Ten Commandments, such as respecting one's parents, keeping the Sabbath, and not stealing.

Week ending May 12, 2012

Parashat Emor Leviticus 21:1-24:23

Emor provides details about the lives of the priests and their families. The priestly role was both an honor and a burden. This *parashah* also includes the most comprehensive holiday calendar in the Torah.

Week ending May 19, 2012

Parashat B'har/B'chukotai Leviticus 25:1-27:34

This double *parashah* presents a vision of a society guided by God-given principles of human freedom, human dignity and concern for the most vulnerable in society. It includes laws regulating the sabbatical year and the jubilee year. The book of Leviticus is completed this week with *B'chukotai*, which is filled with God's promises and warnings to the people depending upon whether or not they faithfully follow or disobey God's commandments.

Week ending May 26, 2012

Parashat B'midbar Numbers 1:1- 4:20

This Shabbat, we begin reading the book of *B'midbar* (in the wilderness). The book is called "Numbers" in English because it begins with a census of all male Israelites in the camp who are eligible to bear arms, as well as those responsible for the duties in the Tabernacle.

Ritual Riches: Confirmation—a Rite of Passage

Each year as I meet with our 10th graders for Confirmation, I ask that they write about the meaning of Confirmation. Below are the thoughts of two of our 2011 Confirmands, Andrea Mosk and Hannah Tahara:

“So, what is Confirmation, and what does becoming confirmed really mean? Being confirmed means to be firmly established in a particular habit, belief, or way of life that is unlikely to change. In Reform Judaism, Confirmation is just that. Becoming confirmed is the decision of adults around our age, 15 and 16, to continue to embrace Jewish study throughout the rest of our lives. It is a coming-of-age ceremony just like B’nai Mitzvah and typically marks the festival of Shavuot. Shavuot, originally celebrated the harvest festival, but now commemorates the anniversary of the day God gave the Torah to the Israelite nation at Mount Sinai. Just like God gave the Jews the Torah thousands of years ago, we are now ‘receiving’ the Torah to use and practice with for the rest of our lives, and we will soon pass it down to the rising tenth graders.

When our class was asked what exactly a Confirmation is, there was a variety of responses. We got everything from, “Bat-Mitzvah part-two” to “reaffirming our promise to practice Judaism as we grow older”. Instead of marking the end of our Jewish education, we decided, as a group, that our Confirmation marked just the beginning; the beginning of a new world of opportunities for us as Jewish adults. This year has been about learning what it really means to become confirmed and to be a Jew. Although, along the way we stopped being a class of just 26 people, and we became a family. Throughout the year together, we made memories from the confirmation retreat and even just from our weekly class sessions. For us, Confirmation year was not just about what it means to be a Jew, but it was also about becoming part of a community, learning about each other, and growing together as a class.

In the Bible, Shavuot is referred to as many things: the “Festival of Weeks”, the “Festival of Reaping”, and the “Day of the First Fruits”. It is also directly related to Passover. The Torah

mandates for what is called the Counting of the Omer, which begins on the second day of Passover. This is simply the verbal counting of the forty-nine days between Passover and Shavuot. Shavuot then directly follows it. The Counting of the Omer celebrates the anticipation of the time between Passover on which the Jews were freed from their enslavement from Pharaoh, and seven weeks later when the Torah was received. The receiving of the Torah and the Ten Commandments naturally fits with the idea of continuous learning, so that’s why we celebrate Confirmation in correspondence with Shavuot.”

Ritual Riches is a monthly column written by members of the Worship Committee. We hope you will find these articles interesting and informative.



Please Join Us As We Celebrate The Confirmation Of

<i>Hallie Carmen</i>	<i>Nathan Flaks</i>	<i>Maya Melamed</i>
<i>Alison Clarke</i>	<i>Eli Jacobowitz</i>	<i>Sarah Milian</i>
<i>Mark Colbran</i>	<i>Noah Jacobowitz</i>	<i>Rachel Okun</i>
<i>Andrew Cukierwar</i>	<i>Maia Leeds</i>	<i>Tyler Staffin</i>
<i>Gabriel Darmon</i>	<i>Jasmine Lerner</i>	<i>Carly Stracher</i>
<i>Randi Eisenpress</i>	<i>Jordan Lewis</i>	<i>Jacqueline Tames</i>

*at Shavuot Services, Sunday, May 27, 2012, at 7:00 in the evening
Dessert reception following the service.*

From the Religious School Principal



It's hard to believe how quickly this year has flown by. As the end of our school year approaches, there's still much to do and lots going on. Please keep checking *The Gold Standard* for updates!

With lots of end of year trips and programs, we don't want you to miss a thing.

Our annual *Zimriyah* (song festival) will take place on Sunday, May 20th. Everyone is invited to join us as we celebrate the end of another year with songs and dances. Look for details soon!

Registration for next year will begin in the next few weeks. We will do on-line registration again, so keep an eye out for detailed instructions in your email in-box.

Don't miss the chance to participate in our Annual Kol Ami Retreat! This year, the Retreat Comes Home, and we'll be celebrating community together right here at Kol Ami. There will be activities, services and of course FOOD on Friday and Saturday of the Memorial Day weekend. Get details on the website and sign up to join us. We hope to see everyone here!

Felice

From Our Director of Membership and Development

It is hard to believe that our school year is coming to an end! This is the time of year that many people start thinking about becoming affiliated with a temple, so I am asking each and every one of you to share the news about Kol Ami with your unaffiliated friends and neighbors.

Sunday, May 6th beginning at 9:30 am is our **Annual Open House for Prospective Members**. It will be an opportunity for people to visit to meet our clergy and staff and to see our Religious School in full swing. Childcare will be available and, honoring Kol

Ami tradition, bagels will be served.

Of course, we're here to meet and share information about the synagogue and membership at Friday evening and Saturday morning Shabbat services. If Sunday, May 6 does not work for your friends, please encourage them to come to a service over the summer. We will be hosting "**Sunset Shabbat Dinners**" on a Friday night in July and one in August for our congregation and for anyone who is interested in visiting and learning about membership. The dates will be listed in the next *Connection*.

Please keep all of these opportunities in mind and don't forget to bring your friends to Kol Ami!

Please contact me for more details or to request a packet of information for someone in advance.
949-4717 x 115
or janethershey@aol.com.

Janet



Kol Ami Early Childhood Program

Warm, Nurturing and Enriching

Registration for 2012-2013 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's ECP

Welcomes you to our Annual Family Fun Day!

Everyone in the community is welcome!



Sunday, June 3rd, 2012
11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

MENU

- ☒ Lange's BBQ
- ☒ Arts & Crafts
- ☒ Games
- ☒ Train Rides
- ☒ Carousel
- ☒ The Ice Cream Man
- ☒ Lots of Family Fun!!



Rain or Shine

\$48 per family make your reservation by Friday, June 1st

(or \$15 per adult and \$10 per child)

\$55 per family at the door on June 3rd

Please Respond by June 1st, 2012

Family Name: _____

Number of Adults: _____ Number of Children: _____ Total: _____

**Please send cash or make checks out to Congregation Kol Ami
and return the bottom part of this page and return to the ECP office.**



From The Director of The Early Childhood Program

April was fabulous in the ECP! We sampled every macaroon and matzah brei this side of the Nile, we asked lots of questions, Pharaoh finally gave up, and Elijah even brought his own chair! After a very enjoyable April vacation, we didn't miss a step and began preparing for two more wonderful traditions in the ECP, our Annual Israeli Dance Festival and our Trip to Israel on Yom Ha'atzmaut!

This year our 4's and Pre-K's joined with 4's from Temple Beth El Synagogue Center and Westchester Jewish Center for our Third Annual Israeli Dance Festival which took place on Tuesday, April 24th. The children practiced with our beloved teacher Shmulik Gov-Ari for a number of months and had an amazing time at this event.

Our Trip to "Israel" to celebrate Yom Ha'atzmaut is another highlight our staff and families alike always look forward to it with great anticipation and this year was no different. After a most enjoyable "plane ride", the children had the opportunity to put messages into the wall of the Kotel, stomp on grapes in our vineyard, make orange juice, plant trees, milk a cow, take a picture with a camel, learn how things float in the Dead Sea, fish in Eilat, participate on an Archaeological dig, make a stained glass win-

dow, relax at our very own Dead Sea spa complete with mud baths, taste the delicious foods of Israel, learn about the animals who live in the desert, and make their own pita! This year our **Helping Hands Committee** of ECP parents and congregant volunteers will again play an integral part in our morning's success. Thanks to Janet Hershey for helping build our base of volunteers.

Another priceless event in May is our **Annual Art Show and Artists Breakfast** slated for Thursday morning May 24. The children work all year on this event and this year our 4's will be showcasing their very own 3-dimensional "Community of Friends." We invite all of our families to join us for breakfast and a special "viewing" of the children's work.

In our effort to teach the children in our nursery school the concept of *Tikun Olam* (repairing the world), we have introduced the idea of giving of oneself at a level we know they will understand. Every Shabbat, the children are encouraged to bring Tzedakah with the understanding that the monies collected are used to help others. In addition, sales at our annual *Share the Love Mitzvah Bake Sale* held in February were so successful that the children raised \$900.00!

The monies raised from the bake sale, along with the Tzedakah that is collected each week, is pooled together and used towards purchasing gifts for the children at the *Children's Center for Learning*. This year we will be purchasing 5 cassette players with head phones and 105 books, one for every child in their school. We are looking forward to their visit on May 29th.



Tuesday, May 29 will not just be another day at the ECP. This day will be special, as we will again have the privilege of hosting our friends from the *Children's Center for Learning in New Rochelle*. The children who attend this center live at the Coachman Family Shelter in Westchester or come from less fortunate families in our local neighborhoods. We have invited their 3 and 4 year olds to join our 3 and 4 year olds for a morning of play, friendship, and of course ice cream! This is the sixth year we have extended an invitation to this school. After our morning with our new friends, I am confident that all of us will grasp the significance of our efforts.

Nan



CONGREGATION KOL AMI
early childhood program

**First Friends is an
ECP program for
Toddlers 13-22 months**
(accompanied by a parent or caregiver)

building a community of friends one family at a time

Take a look and see what it's all about! We begin with a welcome circle and explore our day by cooking our snack, practicing fine motor play with puzzles and toys, oatmeal and water table play, and music and movement fun. Besides the regular ECP teacher, a social worker visits each month to stay and play so that any shared concerns or questions parents may have can be discussed.

This program runs from mid-October to June and provides a wonderful segue to our Early Childhood Program and to our Temple. Membership to the Temple is included with this registration*

If you have a toddler and you're looking to make some new friends what are you waiting for?
Maybe the time is right to think about joining us!

*For more information and membership details, please call Nan Blank, ECP Director at 949-4717x107.

From Our Co-Presidents: Join Us for the Annual Meeting - May 8 at 8:00 pm

Photo by Mariela Melamed



Our congregation's Annual Meeting will be conducted on Tuesday, May 8th beginning at 8pm.

We invite all congregants to join us—in fact, we can't do it without you.

If you've ever thought that you don't know enough about all the programs and activities going on at Kol Ami, join us on May 8th. If you want to help to thank lay leaders who are completing their terms as trustees or officers and welcome new lay leaders who are succeeding them, join us on May 8th. If you want to learn more about the fiscal health of our congregation and our proposed budget, join us on May 8th. If you want to hear directly from our ECP Director, Religious

School Principal, Director of Membership and Development and our Executive Director, join us on May 8th. If you want to hear an update as to the status of Kol Ami's L'dor Va'Dor building project, the most successful Capital Campaign in Kol Ami's history, join us on May 8th.

Special Shabbat to Decommission Our Sanctuary-May 11th

May 11, 2012 will mark the last opportunity you can attend a Friday evening Shabbat Service in the sanctuary in which our members have worshipped for the past 60 years, before it is refurbished for future generations of Kol Ami congregants and guests. Our clergy are preparing a very special service which will include our Hebrew High School graduation and Fourth Grade Shabbat as well as the decommissioning of our sanctuary. This will be a memorable evening for all

of us for so many reasons. We will all share in the experience of our Torah scrolls being ceremoniously removed in anticipation of the May 14th groundbreaking to turn our collective dream of an even more beautiful and accessible sanctuary into the reality.

Please join the more than 178 of your fellow congregants who have already become a vital part of this sacred effort. If you have not yet heard from a member of the Capital Campaign Committee, please feel free to contact Janet Hershey to set up an appointment.

Looking forward to seeing you on May 8th and May 11th, as well as at the other wonderful events coming up this month!

Ronnie and Mark

5 Synagogues of White Plains Israel Action Committee in Collaboration with Israel Bonds

invite you to an evening with

**Ambassador Yehuda Avner, Advisor to five Israeli Prime Ministers
and author of *The Prime Ministers*, Amazon #1 Bestseller**

Thursday, May 10, 2012 • 8:15pm

Temple Israel Center of White Plains, 280 Old Mamaroneck Road, White Plains, NY

FREE ADMISSION

Ambassador Yehuda Avner is a former Israeli diplomat and prime ministerial advisor. He fought in the 1948 War of Independence and was among the founders of Kibbutz Lavi in the Galilee. He served in diplomatic positions at the Israeli Consulate in New York and the Israeli Embassy in Washington, DC, and as Israel's Ambassador to Britain, Ireland and Australia. Ambassador Avner also served as speechwriter and secretary to Israeli Prime Ministers Levi Eshkol and Golda Meir, and adviser to Prime Ministers Yitzhak Rabin, Menachem Begin and Shimon Peres.

For further information, contact israelactioncom5synofwhiteplains@yahoo.com or call 914-310-2293

For information on Israel Bonds, CONTACT CYNTHIA BLUSTEIN cynthia.blustein@israelbonds.com 1-800-720-4743



Mark Your Calendar – Kol Ami Blood Drive

Tuesday, May 15, 2012, 4:00 PM to 9:30 PM

at Bet Am Shalom Synagogue, 295 Soundview Avenue (around the corner from Kol Ami)

Please make sure there will be blood available when someone needs it. YOU can save lives. Give the GIFT OF LIFE. There is no substitute for blood. There is only one source—us! Money and insurance are useless if the right blood type is unavailable in an emergency. Blood donors must be at least 17 years old (16 with written parental/guardian permission) and weigh 110 pounds. People over 75 can continue to donate blood if they meet all donor criteria and present a physician's letter allowing them to donate. There are, however, some medical conditions that can keep someone from giving blood and some restrictions based on past travel. If you have specific questions about your donor eligibility, call 1-800-688-0900 or log on to www.nybloodcenter.org and click on Donate Blood. Or for information call David Klein, Blood Drive Chair, at 761-7659.

"For the life of all flesh—its blood is its life." Leviticus 17:14

"Whoever saves a life, as if saves an entire world." Mishna Sanhedrin 4:5

Congregation Kol Ami

Women of Reform Judaism

Dear Congregant,

With Confirmation scheduled for Sunday, May 27, 2012, our thoughts turn to our Confirmands and their families. On that day, our tenth grade Religious School students listed on the following page will participate in the Shavuot Confirmation Service, dedicating themselves anew to the values of our faith. We rejoice with them on this happy occasion.

Sending Uniongrams—our special, simple greeting—is traditional for this event, delivering the good wishes of the sender and the warm pleasure of being remembered to the recipient. These special greetings will be presented to each Confirmand at a special dinner on Thursday, May 24th.

You may send as many Uniongrams to our Confirmands as you wish. A beautiful folio of Uniongrams will be compiled for each Confirmand. Here is an opportunity to send your good wishes and warm congratulations to these young people. The Uniongram folio becomes a lasting keepsake for a memorable occasion.

In order for them to be ready for presentation, a **deadline of Thursday, May 10th** is necessary for acceptance of orders. We hope you will want to be a part of this meaningful project. Please respond as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Miriam Freedman-Carmen

Suggested Messages (\$1.50 each)

1. Congratulations and best wishes. May the inspiration of this day be with you always.
2. We rejoice with you, your parents and friends who celebrate this important day with you.
3. Best wishes for future happiness, health and success.
4. Congratulations! We are happy for you and your family today. May the years ahead bring fulfillment of all your hopes.

OR

Personal Messages are also available at \$5.00 each.

Congregation Kol Ami, 252 Soundview Ave., White Plains, NY 10606 ATTN: Miriam Freedman-Carmen
PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM WITH PAYMENT
MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO SISTERHOOD, CONGREGATION KOL AMI
PLEASE CHECK NAMES ON NEXT PAGE, FILL OUT ORDER FORM AND RETURN TO OFFICE

Dear Chairman:

- (A) The names of confirmands to whom I wish to send Uniongrams at \$1.50 each are checked off on the list which I enclose. Please send message # _____ to them.
- (B) Send my personal message at \$5.00 each. I have written my own message on the next page and have checked off names.

Signature on the Uniongrams is to be _____

I enclose check or cash in the amount of \$ _____. This amount includes

\$ _____ (\$5 x Number) for personal messages and

\$ _____ (\$1.50 x Number) for check-off messages.

\$27.00 to send message # _____ to all Confirmands.

Name: _____ Address: _____

MEMBERS OF THE 2011-2012 CONFIRMATION CLASS

Please check off those who are to receive Uniongrams from you.

Confirmand's Name

Parent's Name(s)

☐ Hallie Carmen

Miriam Freedman-Carmen & Richard Carmen

☐ Alison Clarke

Audrey Prashker & Alec Clarke

☐ Mark Colbran

Esther & Philip Colbran

☐ Andrew Cukierwar

Eva & Gene Cukierwar

☐ Gabriel Darmon

Naomi Klein & Pierre Darmon

☐ Randi Eisenpress

Cindy & Michael Eisenpress

☐ Nathan Flaks

Ellen & Jonathan Flaks

☐ Eli Jacobowitz

Carrie & Brad Jacobowitz

☐ Noah Jacobowitz

Carrie & Brad Jacobowitz

☐ Maia Leeds

Pegi Goodman & Gregory Leeds

☐ Jasmine Lerner

Fran Lerner

☐ Jordan Lewis

Margie & Gary Lewis

☐ Maya Melamed

Mariela Dujovne-Melamed & Gabriel Melamed

☐ Sarah Milian

Dana Billman & Carlos Milian

☐ Rachel Okun

Lori & David Okun

☐ Tyler Staffin

Jill & Eric Staffin

☐ Carly Stracher

Patti & Todd Stracher

☐ Jackie Tames

Lisa & Jason Tames



Friday May 4, 2012

The People v. the King King David on Trial for Rape and Murder

5:00 pm

- ☐ **Explorations in Jewish Music with Cantor Mo Glazman and special guest: Sivan Magan, Harpist**

Praised by the press as a "great musician who happens to be a harpist", Sivan Magen is the only Israeli to have ever won the prestigious International Harp Contest in Israel, a recent winner of the Pro Musicis International Award in NY and the 2012 Award Winner of the Borletti-Buitoni Trust – the first harpist to have been awarded that honor.

Main Sanctuary

5:30 pm

- ☐ **Shabbat in the Woods**

o Gallery

5:45 pm

- ☐ **Unwind with Wine and Cheese**

o Atrium

6:00 pm

- ☐ **Tefillah Team for K-3 with Adrian Durlister**

o Schulman Chapel in the Woods

6:15pm

- ☐ **Shabbat Services**

o Main Sanctuary

- ☐ **Torah Study**

o Conference Room

6:45 pm

- ☐ **Shabbat Dinner (your choice)**

Adults \$30.00/Teens \$18.00/Children \$15.00

Free for children under 5/Picnickers \$10.00

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

All reservations must be received by 5:00 pm Wed., May 2nd. Reservations are non-refundable unless cancelled 2 days prior to the Synaplex Shabbat.

7:30 pm

- ☐ **Tzedakah Sandwich Making and Arts and Crafts with Bonnie Wach**

o Gallery

8:00 pm

- ☐ **Supervised Sports and Games with Coach Steve**

For Children in Grades K-6

o Gym

Teens are encouraged to join in adult activities.

7:30 – 9:45

THE MAIN EVENT –

The People v. the King

The sanctuary of Kol Ami becomes a courtroom tonight as the biblical King David is put on trial for rape and murder. Three verdicts will be issued: the vote of the congregation by ballot, the verdict of a multi-generational jury, and a verdict issued by the Honorable Naomi Buchwald of the Southern district of New York. The trial is preceded by study (lawyers can register for CLE credit) as we prepare for an incredible night.

9:45 pm

- ☐ **Coffee & Dessert**

CLIP & RETURN TO THE TEMPLE OFFICE NO LATER THAN May 2nd

Adults \$30.00 / Teens \$18.00 / Children \$15.00 / 5 & Under FREE!

Adult Name/s _____

Children's Names & Ages _____

Phone # _____

Email address _____

"Quiet Conversation Dinner"

Adults Only

Adults _____ @ \$30/ea

"Shabbat Picnic Dinner"

Adults Only

Adults _____ @ \$10/ea

"Community & Family Dinner"

Adults _____ @ \$30/ea

Teens _____ @ \$18/ea

Children _____ @ \$15/ea

Children _____ under 5

TOTAL ENCLOSED

\$ _____

Seating is planned 2 days in advance. Any last minute seating requests cannot be guaranteed.

Please seat us with...

(We'll do our best!)

ASL Interpretation upon Request



CONGREGATION
Kol Ami



THE PEOPLE v. THE KING

King David on Trial for Rape and Murder



Presiding Judge: Honorable Naomi Reice Buchwald
*United States District Court,
Southern District of New York*

Place: Congregation Kol Ami
252 Soundview Avenue
White Plains, NY 10606

Time: Friday, May 4, 2012
5:00 pm – 5:45 pm
David's Harp, Explorations in Music
Harpist: Sivan Magen, Winner
International Harp Contest
5:45 pm – 6:15 pm Unwinding with wine and cheese
6:15 pm – 6:45 pm Services
6:45 pm – 7:30 pm Dinner (upon reservation only)
7:30 pm – 8:00 pm CLE Roundtable
7:30 pm – 8:00 pm Congregational Study (Ballroom)
8:00 pm – 9:45 pm Trial (Sanctuary)
9:45 pm Coffee and Dessert

Verdicts to be rendered by Judge Buchwald, a six person jury and the Congregation. **NY CLE Credit (1.5 hours) will be offered.**

Attorneys for the Prosecution:

Scott D. Musoff, Litigation Partner,
Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meager & Flom LLP

Jay K. Musoff, Litigation Partner

Attorneys for the Defense:

Michael P. Zweig, Litigation Partner,
Loeb & Loeb LLP

Julie B. Ehrlich, Associate
Loeb & Loeb LLP

Witnesses:

King David: Daniel Lobatto

Bathsheba: Rabbi Nadia Gold

Joab, David's commander: Hank Rouda

Nathan, the prophet: Paul Schwarz

Hecker Wang LLP

Expert witness: Larry Heuer, Columbia Prof. of Psychology

Court Clerk: Dr. Carrie Barotz

King's Messenger: Edward Nerenberg

For more information, please call 914.949.4717



Kol Ami Brotherhood (KABRO) Dance Party!!

Saturday, May 19, at 8:00 pm at Congregation Kol Ami!!

Join us for an evening of wine & cheese, beer, dessert & coffee,
and Great Music!! All included in the price of admission!!



The band, *Kick Start Charlie*, is an 8-piece Rock & Roll band. It is known for their high energy and visually entertaining performance, playing hits from the 70s, 80s and 90s. Kick Start Charlie will grab you with their music and hold you with their tasteful harmonies!!

Admission: \$18 by May 9th for KABRO (Kol Ami Brotherhood)
& WRJ (Sisterhood) members

\$25 for all other attendees and at the door!!
Bring your friends and neighbors!!

May 19 Dance Party

Please return to the KABRO (Men's Council) Mailbox in the Office or mail to
Congregation Kol Ami, 252 Soundview Ave., White Plains NY 10606

Name(s): _____

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Email address and phone:

<u>Friday night (begins at 5pm)</u>	<u>(Includes cocktail party & pot-luck dinner)</u>	<u>Names</u>
Adults	\$18 pp	
Children (staying over; ages 6-16)	\$25 pp	
Teens (no sleep-over)	\$15 pp	
Children (no sleep-over; ages 6-12)	\$10 pp	
Children (under 6)	no charge	

(Friday also includes a basketball game for those interested; bring or wear appropriate clothing)

<u>Saturday (begins at 5pm)</u>	<u>(Includes cocktail party, BBQ dinner and s'mores)</u>	<u>Names</u>
Adults & Teens	\$20 pp	
Kids (ages 6-12)	\$15 pp	
Children (under 6)	no charge	

(Lawn activities available as well, so dress for play)

Please make checks payable to Congregation Kol Ami. We now accept credit card payments (Visa & MC only) with a 3% convenience fee.

Please visit www.nykolami.org if you prefer to register online.

Any questions, please contact Lori Okun (lari.okun@mac.com) or Stacey Matusow (sjmatusow@aol.com)

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Please check the program listings in your Kol Ami phone and date book for more details.

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RSVP to Suzanne Fromm 949-4717x14 or suzannefromm@nykolami.org

Women's Transitions: Midlife & Beyond

Tuesdays, 11:30 am–1:00 pm

5/8, 5/15, 5/22

Join Harriet Shenkman, PhD and Ursula Strauss, PhD for discussions on retirement, widowhood, aging, and much more. The goal is to offer mutual aid in personal adjustment to life transitions. Course is free, but if you plan to attend or have questions, please contact Ursula Strauss at littledipper5@optonline.net

Women's Roundtable Breakfast

with Rabbi Shira Milgrom

Wednesdays, 7:45–9:00 am

5/2, 6/6

Kol Ami Reads Book Club

First Wed. of each month

9:15 am in Room 20

Doris Dingott, 289-0869

Israeli Folk Dance

with Shmulik Gou-Ari

Wednesdays when Religious School is in Session

\$10 members; \$13 non-members

8:00–8:30 pm Beginners

8:30–10:00 pm Open Dance

Current Events

with Beth & Gene Kava

Mondays, 11:00am–12:30 pm in Room 20
5/14

Examine a current issue of the day in depth.

Will use readings, video or a guest speaker

Kol Ami Genealogy Group

with Dr. Alan Steinfeld

First Wednesday of month, 7:45–9:00 pm.

Wisdom of the Sages: Lunch and Learn

with Rabbi Tom Weiner

Every Tuesday, 12:00 noon–1:00 pm.

Lively discussions of the world and our lives based on some of the most provocative and fascinating Jewish learning texts.

Introduction to Judaism

with Rabbi Shira Milgrom

Tuesdays 8:00–10:00 pm.

5/1, 5/15

First year of a 2 year program leading to Adult Bar/Bat Mitzvah

Weekly Torah: Parshat Hashavua:

Weekly Torah Study

Every Friday from 10–11:30 am.

Led by Kol Ami members

Jewish Meditation Circle

with Ruth Rosenblum, LCSW

Thursday, 9:15–10:30 am

in Schhulman Chapel.

Parenting/Grandparenting Workshops:

Blessing of a Skinned Knee

with Susan Davis, LCSW

For parents of elementary school aged children.

Monday 5/14 9:30–11:30 am

Adolescent Parenting Workshops

with Susan Davis, LCSW

Thursday, 5/3 from 9:45–11:45

Thursday, 5/17 from 12:00–2:00 pm

Discussion of parenting issues related to adolescents.

Grandparenting Workshops

with Susan Davis, LCSW

First Monday of each month,
9:15–10:45 am

Hebrew Classes for Adults*

Pending sufficient enrollment

\$150 per semester

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\$180 per semester for non-members

Wednesday Evenings

with Emily Fields

Advanced Beginners/

Intermediate

7:30 pm

Sunday Mornings

with Emily Fields

Beginning Hebrew

9:00 am

Advanced Beginners

10:00 am

Intermediate

11:15 am

Intermediate/Advanced

with Alice Seidman

Sundays 9:00 – 10:00 am

Contact Alice Seidman at 953-8455 for further information)

Classes end May 16 / May 20



You are cordially invited to the 36th Annual Meeting
Annual Julian Y. Bernstein Distinguished Service Awards Ceremony
A Memorial Tribute to George Mandel (z"l)

Wednesday, May 16, 2012 7:30pm

Jewish Community Center of Harrison, 130 Union Avenue, Harrison, NY 10528

ASL interpreting upon request • Kosher Dairy Dessert Reception follows ceremony

914/328-7001 margo@wjcouncil.org <http://www.wjcouncil.org>

SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE

Repairing the World — Tikkun Olam

EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY COLLECTIONS

YONKER'S FOOD PANTRY (Living Transformation International Center)—We have received desperate pleas from a food pantry in Yonkers that serves over a thousand people, one hundred of whom are homebound with cancer and other illnesses. They were nearly completely out of food. We sent the Yonkers Food Pantry a check so that they could shop for emergency food. Now that the UJA collection has been completed, we are hoping that we can begin collecting for the Yonkers food pantry that is so in need. If anyone is interested in spearheading this drive or knows of someone who may be in need of a worthy Bat or Bar Mitzvah project, please contact Wendy or Jodi ASAP.

GREAT FAMILY EVENT: Elm Street Garden Spring Planting with families from the Elm Street Youth Center of Yonkers—Sunday, May 6th - 12:15 PM to 2:15 PM . Location: Elm Street Youth Center; 217 Elm Street; Yonkers, NY. Help plant warm weather vegetables with the Elm Street Youth Center and members of Kol Ami, Bet Am Shalom, and The Hebrew Institute.

ASSISTING BAR AND BAT MITZVAH STUDENTS—Social Action will work with the clergy to help Bar and Bat Mitzvah students formulate and carry out their mitzvah projects. Additionally, we have started to advertise ideas for mitzvah projects in the *Gold Standard*.

Sam Jeske—I am collecting books for my Mitzvah Project and visiting a Head Start Program in New Rochelle to donate them. I will be reading some of the books I donate to the kids. I am looking for new or gently used children's books and would appreciate the donation. There will be a bin in the Religious School lobby. It will be there from April 16th to May 15th. Thank you.

Michael Salzinger—I am collecting school supplies for needy children in Cuba. My parents recently went to Cuba and brought back pictures of children in poverty there. Donations of pens, pencils, paper, scissors, markers, etc. can be left in my box in the Religious School Lobby from April 1st thru May 1st.

Jeffrey Pollak—I am collecting baseball equipment for my Bar-Mitzvah project. I am collecting new or gently used bats, balls, gloves, baseball bags and helmets for an organization called Pitch in for Baseball, who collect equipment for underprivileged children. Their website is www.pitchforbaseball.org. This collection will run from April 16th thru May 18th. There will be a bin in the Religious School Lobby.

SUNDAY AND MONDAY COOKING—Nancy Marcus is chair of the Sunday cooking for the homeless. Laura Green will continue to chair the Monday cooking. Laura would like to step down as chair of this committee and would be interested in finding someone to take her place. These groups cook once a month for the Open Arms Shelter.

PEOPLE TO PEOPLE—Provides support to congregants that are sick or bereaved. Ruth Goldberg chairs this committee that has expanded tremendously over the past several years.

COLLECTION BINS/BRIDGE FUND—Murray Shapiro continues to pick up collected food and transport it to the Bridge Fund. The Bridge Fund greatly appreciates the support from Kol Ami and Murray Shapiro.

**Wendy Greenberg Mikhailovich at 472-3377 or wendygreenberg@optonline.net
or Jodi Klein at 472-4617 or jodi.klein@gmail.com**

MITZVAH CORPS

Join us at Westchester Meadows on
Wednesday, May 30, 2012 at 2:30 pm
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For more info call Ellie Fleisch 481-1479.

COOKING FOR THE HOMELESS

For Sunday Information: Nancy Marcus - 725-7231

For Monday Information: Laura Green - 949-6113

Sundays at 11:00 am: 5/6, 6/10

Mondays at noon: 5/21, 6/18.

If you are interested in chairing Monday Cooking for the Homeless in 2012, please contact Laura Green at 949-6113.

**Coming Saturday, 5/19: KABRO will host a wonderful evening of dancing.
See Page 12 for details!**

KABRO Camping: Sign Up Now!!
In July, KABRO will hold its second Annual Family-Friendly Camping Trip.
We will camp on the weekend of July 13–15, 2012
at North-South Lake, New York

All congregants, family, and friends are welcome. Early reservations are needed; the park is beautiful, and campsites are booked months in advance. Saturday activities include hiking, swimming, canoeing/kayaking, great food, and campfire songs.

Cost: \$75 per campsite (up to 6 people). KABRO (Men's Council) members pay \$60.

To sign up or for more info, contact Michael Berg at michaeladam@optonline.net.

Sisterhood News

It is that time of year again when our Confirmation class will be recognized and celebrated! In this month's Connection, you will see a form to send greetings to these wonderful students. Part of the fee will be donated to our Barbara Gruber Scholarship Fund. This

fund grants cash awards to our graduating seniors to help them with college expenses. So by sending a greeting to a current 10th grader, you will be contributing to their future as well. What a great way to help our students! Thank you for your continued support

We will be voting on a new Board this month. Here is the list of current nominees:

President – Ellen Kurtz
VP of People to People – Ruth Goldberg
VP of Programming – Sheryl Brady
VP of Scholarship – Mimi Rogowsky
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MITZVAH KNITZ

We will be meeting on
Thursday
May 17
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.

Future Dates:
5/17, 6/21

Kol Ami Reads Book Club

A Prayer for the Dying
by Stewart O'Nan
May 2, 2012

Little Bee
by Chris Cleave
June 6, 2012

*The Hottest Dishes of
the Tartar Cuisine*
by Alina Bronsky
July 11, 2012

All meetings, unless otherwise
announced, 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,
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Meet Our Members



HARRIET AND JERROLD SHENKMAN

Harriet and Jerrold Shenkman are among our newest members, having joined Kol Ami in December. They raised their three children—Ethan, Hartley and Jordana—first in Riverdale, then North Carolina, then Pound Ridge and now in Scarsdale where they have lived for the last fifteen years. They have two grandchildren, Ari and Mia, who live in Arlington, VA. Harriet recently retired from an academic career at the Bronx Community College, CUNY, and Jerrold is a retired attorney, who spent 35 years specializing in health care. He currently serves on the Board of Directors of Arc of Westchester. The mission of Arc is to provide programs for children and adults with developmental disabilities to achieve their fullest potential.

Harriet, tell us about your religious backgrounds.

"We are not observant Jews, but we feel deeply connected to the Jewish people. My parents are from the Ukraine, from small towns west of Kiev. Both of us were born in Brooklyn. I was raised there, but Jerrold was raised in Jacksonville, Florida. He was bar mitzvah at a Conservative synagogue. He is currently on the Board of Directors of the Westchester Chapter of the American Jewish Committee and is active in the diplomatic outreach program. We attended a synagogue while living in Pound Ridge and Jordana had her bat mitzvah there. We were motivated to join a synagogue here both to more deeply explore our connection to Judaism and for additional social activity."

Please expand on your careers.

"Jerrold graduated from the University of Florida and Duke University Law School. His legal career in health care included being general counsel for a major academic medical center, in-house counsel for a health maintenance organization, a health insurance company, and general counsel for a medical imaging services company. I have a bachelor's degree from Brooklyn College, CUNY, a masters in Education and English from Duke and a Ph.D. from Fordham specializing in curriculum and instruction. I was Professor of Education at Bronx Community College and formerly the chairperson of the Department of Education

and Reading. I was the Founding Director of the Center for Teaching Excellence. I have published articles in my field and have given workshops and presentations at national and local conferences. I am presently working on a project for faculty development across CUNY."

You, along with Ursula Strauss, are leading a discussion group discussing life transitions. How did that come about?

"I'm in a transition, namely retirement. Ursula is in transition as well and we thought that many of us need to talk about our life transitions, including aging, retirement, widowhood and others. Ursula has special skills leading groups as a psychologist. We spoke to Shira about this idea and she was supportive and encouraging. It began last month and seems to be off to a good start."

Why did you decide to join Kol Ami?

"We felt a strong sense of community. We like the inclusiveness and the openness. Instruction about Judaism is thought provoking. You know, our first date was at a jazz club. We are now both jazz fans but Jerrold has always been one. And he enjoys the music at Kol Ami, especially the clarinet. We think Cantor Mo is terrific."



MARK AND VIVIAN NADASDI

Mark and Vivian Nadasdi have been members of Kol Ami since 2006. They have two daughters, Melissa, age 13, and Jenna, age 12, and live in Edgemont. Melissa had her Bat Mitzvah in June of last year and Jenna will have hers in February of 2013. Vivian is also studying for her Bat Mitzvah as part of this year's adult bar/bat mitzvah class and is studying Hebrew with the adult Hebrew class led by Emily Fields.

Would you tell us about your family backgrounds and what brought you to Kol Ami?

Mark – "The Nadasdi name is of Hungarian descent, and although most of my grandparents were first generation US born, the name, with an alternate spelling of Nadasdy, has history back to the middle ages. I grew up in Spring Valley, Rockland County. We were members of a nearby Conservative temple. After my Bar Mitzvah, my only involvement with the temple

was for the High Holidays. I was hoping for a more connected and meaningful experience for my daughters."

Vivian – "I was raised in Queens. My parents were immigrants from Yugoslavia, coming to New York in the 1950s after the Holocaust. Both of them had been lucky and had been able to flee with their immediate families; however, they had both lost family and friends in the Holocaust. As a result, they were atheists. I would call them 'matzos and Easter bunny secular.' My father even went to a Catholic school in Yugoslavia." Mark – "We lived in Manhattan until we moved to Edgemont in 1999. We were members of B'nai Jeshurun and wanted something similar when we went synagogue shopping." Vivian – "We attended a Synaplex evening at Kol Ami and were thrilled with the energy, the music and how many people were involved. We joined."

How did you meet?

Vivian – "Mark responded to an ad I placed in the Jewish Week newspaper. I guess it was like J-Date before J-Date existed. We were both training for the marathon, so we started running together. Mark still runs but not marathons. I now get my exercise at the gym."

Do you have hobbies?

"We are sports enthusiasts—very big hockey fans. Go Rangers! All four of us will huddle around the TV when the Rangers are playing. It's a great family activity!"

What about your professions?

Mark – "I graduated from SUNY Oswego with a business degree. I work for Hewlett Packard, managing a team of system engineers for the Enterprise Software business. I'm fortunate to be able to work from home and tele-commute." Vivian – "I have a Bachelors degree from Dickinson College and a Masters from Boston U. Both degrees are in chemistry. I taught chemistry at the Dalton School for ten years and have been a chemistry teacher at Solomon Schechter High School for the last ten years. I am also chair of their upper-school science department."

What would you like to tell us about your experience at Kol Ami?

"Melissa's Bat Mitzvah experience was incredible from beginning to end. Emily coached her and she met with Rabbi Tom and Cantor Mo many times. The synagogue has become part of both children's lives. Their artwork is on display in our home, and although they won't admit it, we sometimes find them singing the songs and prayers they learn in Hebrew school. Synaplexes and High Holiday services also stand out. The tone set by our clergy is warm and inclusive. We feel at home and at peace."

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 11:30 am Women's Transitions Class 12:00 pm Wisdom of the Sages Class 7:00 pm Sisterhood Membership Dinner 8:00 pm Intro to Judaism class	2 RELIGIOUS SCHOOL 7:45 am Round Table Breakfast 9:15 am Book Club 6:00 pm Or Chadash Rehearsal 7:30 pm Advanced Beginners/Intermediate Adult Hebrew 7:45 pm Jewish Genealogy Class 8:00 pm Israeli Dance	3 9:15 Jewish Meditation 9:45 am Adolescent Parenting 7:45 pm Congregational Choir Rehearsal	4 SYNAPLEX: TRIAL OF KING DAVID 10:00 am Torah portion of the Week Class 5:30 pm SHABBAT IN THE WOODS in Gallery 6:15 pm SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE in Sanctuary	5 SPIRITUAL LIFT in Chapel 9:00 am Coffee & Community 9:30 am Study 11:00 am SERVICE 5:30 pm SHABBAT AFTERNOON SERVICE: B'nai Mitzvah of Danielle Okun & Samantha Tomkiewicz in Sanctuary
6 RELIGIOUS SCHOOL 9:00 am: Intermediate/Advanced Hebrew with Alice Seidman 9:00 am Beginning Hebrew with Emily Fields 10:00 am Advanced Beginners Hebrew with Emily 11:00 am Cooking for the Homeless 11:15 am Intermediate Hebrew with Emily	7 9:15 am Grandparenting Class 8:00 pm Men's Council/KABRO Meeting	8 11:30 am Women's Transitions Class 12:00 pm Wisdom of the Sages Class 8:00 pm Annual Meeting of the Congregation	9 RELIGIOUS SCHOOL 6:00 pm Or Chadash Rehearsal 7:30 pm Advanced Beginners/Intermediate adult Hebrew 8:00 pm Israeli Dance	10 9:15 am Jewish Meditation Circle 7:45 pm Congregational Choir Rehearsal	11 10:00 am Torah Study 5:30 pm SHABBAT IN THE WOODS in Gallery 6:00 pm TEFILLAH TEAM SERVICE 6:15 pm SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE in Sanctuary	12 SPIRITUAL LIFT in Chapel 9:00 am Coffee & Community 9:30 am Study 11:00 am SERVICE 10:30 am: SHABBAT MORNING SERVICE: B'nai Mitzvah of Charles Miner & Michael Salzinger 5:30 pm: SHABBAT AFTERNOON SERVICE: Bar Mitzvah of Ross Kempner in Chapel
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20 RELIGIOUS SCHOOL—Last Day of Classes 9:00 am: Intermediate/Advanced Hebrew with Alice Seidman 9:00 am Beginning Hebrew with Emily Fields 10:00 am Advanced Beginners Hebrew with Emily 11:15 am Intermediate Hebrew with Emily	21 12:00 pm Cooking for the Homeless	22 11:30 am Women's Transitions Class 12:00 pm Wisdom of the Sages Class	23 6:00 pm Or Chadash Rehearsal 7:30 pm Explore Meditation 8:00 pm Israeli Dance	24 ECP ART SHOW 9:15 am Jewish Meditation Circle 7:00 pm Confirmation Dinner	25 KOL AMI RETREAT 10:00 am Torah Study 5:30 pm SHABBAT IN THE WOODS in Gallery 6:00 pm TEFILLAH TEAM SERVICE 6:15 pm SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE	26 KOL AMI RETREAT EREV SHAVUOT SPIRITUAL LIFT 9:00 am Coffee & Community 9:30 am Study 11:00 am SERVICE 10:30 am Shabbat Morning Service: Bat Mitzvah of Olivia Rodnick in Chapel
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