



Our first Synaplex is November 8th! Marking the 75th Anniversary of Kristallnacht...

Seventy five years ago, November 9-10, 1938, Nazis destroyed synagogues and Jewish-owned businesses all over Germany. It was the night of shattered glass—a beginning of the end of Jewish life in Europe.

Seventy five years later, we remember. We remember with life!
We fill our Friday evening services with the soaring music of the German Jewish community—to be followed by a joyous Israeli Foods dinner and screening of the film *Ingelore*, which honors the story of one extraordinary survivor (*ASL Interpretation Provided*).

Join us at 5:00 pm for Musical Explorations with acclaimed vocalist Cantor Shira Adler as she shares a life story through the lens of Jewish cabaret and Broadway. From classical to contemporary, you will delight in the familiar, inspiring and heartwarming musical gems.

And don't forget to join us at our December 13th Synaplex. [See page 15 for details.](#)

It's Hanukkah in November!! We have lots planned for your Thanksgivukkah enjoyment:

Latkes & Lattes

Sisterhood presents a special program on
Saturday, November 23 from 4:00-6:00 pm. [See page 21 for information.](#)

KABRO (Men's Council) Family Chanukah Party

Sunday, November 24 from 11:00 am-1:00 pm
Free—but please let us know you are attending.
[See page 12 for link to register.](#)

Recite the Hanukkah blessings as you light your candles

Monday, December 2 at 7:00 pm
[See page 19.](#)

Come to our Adults Only Hanukkah Celebration,

Monday December 2 at 7:00 pm
Reservations required. [See page 18 for information and registration.](#)



SERVICES

Friday, November 1

5:30 pm SHABBAT IN THE WOODS in Gallery
 6:15 pm SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE
 in Sanctuary

Saturday, November 2

SPIRITUAL LIFT in Chapel
 9:00 am Coffee and community
 9:30 am Study
 11:00 am SERVICE
 10:30 am B'not Mitzvah of Natalie Gee & Jessie Levin
 in Sanctuary

Friday, November 8

SYNAPLEX
 5:30 pm SHABBAT IN THE WOODS in Gallery
 6:15 pm SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE
 in Sanctuary

Saturday, November 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:
 B'nai Mitzvah of Amanda & Russell Dranch
 in Sanctuary
 5:30 pm SHABBAT AFTERNOON SERVICE:
 B'nai Mitzvah of Andrew Cohen & Jake
 Grande in Sanctuary

Friday, November 15

5:30 pm SHABBAT IN THE WOODS in Gallery
 6:15 pm SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE
 in Sanctuary

Saturday, November 16

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 Elena Schwartz in Sanctuary

Friday, November 22

5:30 pm SHABBAT IN THE WOODS in Gallery
 6:15 pm SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE in
 Sanctuary

Saturday, November 23

K & 1st GRADE FAMILY SHABBAT WITH
 SPIRITUAL LIFT in Sanctuary
 9:00 am Coffee and community
 9:30 am Study
 11:00 am SERVICE

Wednesday, November 27

HANNUKAH
 LIGHT 1ST CANDLE

Thursday, November 28

LIGHT 2ND CANDLE

Friday, November 29

LIGHT 3RD CANDLE
 5:30 pm SHABBAT IN THE WOODS in Gallery
 6:15 pm SHABBAT EVENING SERVICE
 in Sanctuary

Saturday, November 30

LIGHT 4TH CANDLE
 SPIRITUAL LIFT in Chapel
 9:00 am Coffee and community
 9:30 am Study
 11:00 am SERVICE
 5:30 pm: B'not Mitzvah of Katie Guttenberg & Perri
 Thaler in Sanctuary

Weekly Torah Portions for November

Week ending November 2, 2013

Parashat Toldot Genesis 25:19-28:9

Isaac marries Rebekah, and after 20 childless years they become parents to twin boys, Esau and Jacob. The brothers are quite different from one another and are at odds with each other well into adulthood. Rebekah favors Jacob, whereas Isaac seems aligned with Esau. Rebekah and Jacob conspire to deceive Isaac into giving the blessing due his firstborn son, Esau to Jacob. The sibling rivalry between Esau and Jacob reaches a feverish pitch, and becomes a recurring theme in Genesis.

Week ending November 9, 2013

Parashat Vayetze Genesis 28:10-32:3

Vayetze, "and he went out," refers to Jacob's journey to Haran, his mother Rebekah's birthplace. On his journey, he dreams of a ladder reaching from earth to heaven and is given the same promise that God gave Abraham and Isaac, i.e., that he will inherit the land and be blessed. Jacob meets Rachel at the well and works for her father (his uncle Laban) for seven years in order to marry her. Jacob, who deceived his brother Esau, is himself the victim of deception. Laban substitutes Leah (his older daughter) for Rachel. Jacob must serve Laban an additional seven years in order to wed his intended spouse. Jacob eventually has a total of twelve sons and decides to return to his homeland.

Week ending November 16, 2013

Parashat Vayishlach Genesis 32:4-36:43

Jacob is ready to go home after fleeing twenty years earlier, and has to reconcile with his brother Esau. He has a dream on the way and encounters a divine messenger. Jacob is renamed Israel, meaning "struggles with God." Our narrative leaps forward in time to the moment when Jacob's children are now adults and his daughter, Dina is raped. Jacob's sons Simeon and Levi avenge the crime.

Week ending November 23, 2013

Parashat Vayeshev Genesis 37:1-40:23

Vayeshev begins the final extended narrative of Genesis, the Joseph story. The Joseph story functions as a bridge between *B'reishit* (Genesis) and *Sh'mot* (Exodus) in that Joseph, his brothers, and eventually his father begin in Canaan but end up in Egypt. The parashah weaves together the themes of family and betrayal so evident in the early stories of Genesis with the larger national themes of suffering and redemption that form the backbone of Exodus.

Week ending November 30, 2013

Parashat Miketz Genesis 41:1-44:17

This week's *parashah* continues the story of Joseph, miketz, "at the end of" his prison term. Joseph has been Pharaoh's prisoner for two years, and is released from jail in order to interpret Pharaoh's perplexing dreams.

Biennial – *Don't Miss It!*

The *New York Times* recently reviewed a research study entitled "A Portrait of Jewish Americans." The *NY Times* summed it up as follows: "A significant rise in those who are not religious, marry outside the faith and are not raising their children Jewish."

This study leads us to believe that we are in a very bad place. This study is thorough in its research and opens itself to interpretation from many different angles. The study is lauded by some as being accurate in all of its shades of American culture and criticized by some as being completely untrue. One might feel very depressed about the future of American Jewry after reading the study.

There are, however, bright spots in American Jewry. One is the URJ Biennial scheduled on Dec. 11-15 in San Diego, California. For those who have never attended, it may not be on the top of your vacation list but attending Biennial is a fantastic experience for any liberal Jew.

As the URJ indicates: "Biennial is where Jews gather to learn, pray, share ideas, dance and sing, hear from inspiring guest speakers, reunite with old friends, make new connections and re-imagine Jewish life."

Imagine 5000 rabbis, cantors, educators, lay leaders, musicians—all coming together for several days of explosive Jewish learning and creating. I find Biennial to be extraordinarily engaging for youth group kids, retirees and everyone in-between. Imagine our High Holy Day services and multiply that by a factor of 5 or 6 and you would have a glimpse into what it is like to pray with 5000 Jews. In addition to thematic meals, phenomenal concerts and inspiring keynote speakers, there are several workshops that are places of entry for anyone who has any interest in Judaism. The keynote speaker this year is Prime Minister Netanyahu.

If you are a music lover then Biennial is an opportunity to pray and listen to the likes of Neshama Carlebach, and Rick Recht as well

as bands like Jaffa Road and Rocky Mountain Jew Grass. Genres are blended, melodies are revealed and Jewish music is the connecting thread through all of the services and concerts and many of the luncheons, which are themselves concerts. This year our own Jonathan Comisar was commissioned to compose a piece dedicated to the Cantorate and performed by hundreds of voices.

It is my hope that, if you are on the fence, you would go to the URJ website: www.URJ.org and check out the different options for Biennial programming. Please come talk to me, Tom or Shira or any of our lay leaders who have attended. Attending Biennial is a true opportunity to connect to one's spirit and to feel the dynamic pulse of Reform Judaism. I hope to see you there!

Yours,




urj.org/biennial13



wrj.org/assembly2013

Meet Pray Learn and REIMAGINE Jewish life at the largest Jewish gathering in North America.

Love to Sing?

Please join Cantor Mo Glazman, Cantor Jonathan Comisar and the Choirs of Kol Ami:

Or Chadash (A New Light) for children in K-5th grade

meets on Wednesdays from 6:00-6:30 pm when Religious School is in session

Congregational Choir for High School Students and Adults

meets on Thursdays from 7:45-9:30 pm

New to either group? Please contact Valerie Heim at 914-949-4717 x 103 or at vheim@nykolami.org to be added to the rosters and receive our emails

Words Seem So Inadequate— *Our Journey to Krakow and Berlin*



Reb Nachman of Bratislav wrote that a person reaches in three directions: upward to God, outward to others, and inward to oneself. The miracle of life, he said, is than in truly reaching in any one direction, we touch all three.

That's what this trip was like; we traveled outward to amazing, horrifying, moving, and stunning places. We took care of each other—listening, supporting, laughing. We prayed and we sang—we turned upward for hope. And for each of us, this trip deepened our journey inward to understand why we are here on earth. It was truly one of the great trips.

From Frank Kaiman: Wednesday: Going first to Auschwitz-Berkinau. It was hard to imagine the pain and inhumanity that was suffered, and even harder to understand how people could inflict it. But I felt that I was now a witness and that is important to me. Saying Kaddish at the literal end of the line was so meaningful. From the low of the camp to the high of visiting a synagogue in the neighboring village of Oswiecim which I support and where we read from the Torah—a reaffirmation that we are and we exist despite what happened. So tremendously uplifting. It was so incredible to experience such diametrically opposed feelings in the same day.

Note from Frank to Shira: People have asked me how was my “vacation.” I tell them that it was no vacation but the trip was “awesome” in the full sense of the word “awe.” I can't thank you enough for leading this trip. It will remain with me for the rest of my life.

From Ruth Goldberg: I only cried twice on my visit to Birkenau. The first time was tears of joy and pride. Waves of young Israeli students, perhaps of high school age, were marching with Israeli flags blowing in the wind. Hundreds of them. Some were approaching us on the long road which

would take us to the barracks. Some were walking back along the railroad tracks that brought so many to their last destination. The day was sunny but very cold. As the flags cracked and whipped in the wind, the blue star of David unfurled on its white banner.

This was our new generation; young, high spirited, beautiful. The moment made me think of the Partisan song:



*Never, ever say that you are taking the last steps of your journey,
Just because steel gray skies are hiding bright, blue days.
Because the hour that we are hoping for, will arrive.
And our footsteps, like loud drumbeats, will declare:
We have survived. We are here.*

The second time I cried that day was in one of the barracks. There was a display of children's clothing. Little girls' clothing. There was a pink sweater. Perhaps for a child 2 years of age. There were little shoes. Someone had left a pink rose on this display case. That's what made me cry. Who was the person who left the rose? It might have been placed there that day. It was wilted, but not dead. What story could she have told me? Did the little sweater remind her of a sister taken at such a young age? Or was it the mother she was thinking of? The terror she must have felt as her child was wrenched from her arms. One story. A story told over and over again, 6 million times.



From Vicki Horowitz: Rabbi Shira has asked each of us to write one memory of the trip to share with the congregation of Kol Ami in the Connection. All of a sudden, it came to me: At Shabbat services (October 11, 2013) on my first night back at Kol Ami, as the congregation began to sing *Ki Mitzion*



with Cantor Mo and Rabbi Tom when we were about to take the Torah out of the ark, I remembered that the last time I sang this was in a small building in the town of Oswiecim (known as Auschwitz, in German). This small building now acts partly as a Jewish museum, partly as a center and partly as the remainder of a synagogue. We entered the building just after having spent several hours at both Auschwitz and Birkenau concentration camps. When we passed into a small room with benches and an ark, we asked a young man if we could take out the Torah and look at it. He was a young student from Austria who had chosen to do his “community service” in this place. Frank Kaiman took out the Torah and we all sang *Ki Mitzion* as Rabbi Shira and Ellen Kurtz began to take off the covering. The young student said that no one had read from the Torah for a very long time. We expected that we would have to roll it a great deal to find our way to this week’s Torah portion.

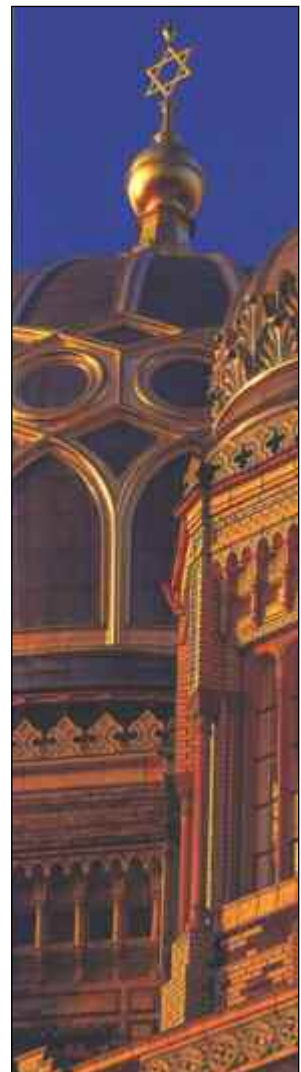


However, much to our surprise, it was already rolled to NOAH, the “parshah” for this week. We all wondered how that could be that it was rolled to the exact place. It was as if this Torah was waiting for someone—maybe for us—to chant the words or read the text for this upcoming Shabbat. We all sang. Rabbi Shira chanted and for a few minutes we celebrat-

ed this “abandoned” Torah for all those who could no longer read or chant – all those who had been murdered at the two camps we had visited that day. Through my tears and through these melodies, I was proud to sing and witness this moment with my fellow travelers from Kol Ami.



From Ellen Bittner: I have been home nearly a week and I am still processing the numerous sights and experiences that we encountered during our trip to Poland and Berlin. As I began to process our visits to Auschwitz/Birkenau, Wansee, and Track 17 (one of the points of deportation to the camps) where we saw evidence of the horrors that were perpetrated, I was very heartened and gratified to see the young people from Poland, Austria, and Germany who were visiting these sights or working as volunteers at Jewish memorials. I also think of the wonderful 92 year old woman we met, whose family is among the Righteous Gentiles who fed and helped to hide dozens of Jews, saving so many lives. Stories like hers and others we heard about during our trip deepened my faith in the good in people, and in the strength of the human spirit to survive. The Israeli students that I saw when we visited Mila 18 in Warsaw, and those leaving Auschwitz carrying the Israeli flag high, reaffirm that we are here and that “Am Israel chai.”



Ritual Riches: Shabbat Services in Berlin!

That's correct. Eighteen travelers along with Rabbi Shira celebrated Shabbat in Berlin. I'm sure not a place any of us ever thought we would be spending Shabbat, yet there we were, attending Kabbalat Shabbat services at the Jewish Community Center of Berlin. (The synagogue is under renovation.)

As we were waiting to go through security (xray, bags/backpacks searched), what struck me were the diverse ages of people coming to services. To accommodate Jews of all denominations, men and women sit separately, but in the same room with no Mechitza (barrier).

As soon as we entered the room that served as the sanctuary, I was immediately taken back to my childhood with the sound of the cantor singing the *L'Cha Dodi* of my youth. The service was conducted in the traditional Reform German Jewish manner. The entire service was sung in Hebrew led by the cantor, who wore a black robe and miter (tall round hat) and choir accompanied by organ music. To most of us, the music (tune and organ) was not familiar, but the prayers were: *L'Cha Dodi*,

Barachu, Sh'ma, Mi Chamocha, Amida, Aleinu, Kaddish—the prayers we recite at Kol Ami, the prayers Jews recite all over the world! The only German spoken was when the cantor asked a young family to come to the bimah for *Kiddush, Motzi* and a blessing. This is the custom at the JCC of Berlin.

Following the service, we were greeted Shabbat Shalom by the cantor (an American) and, just like we do at Kol Ami, some people lingered to socialize and catch up and others quickly left, probably to go home for dinner or out with friends. Having spent the prior five days in Poland learning about the life, murder and potential destruction of European Jewry, it was a bittersweet yet triumphant Shabbat. Standing to recite Kaddish had even greater meaning after having been to Auschwitz and Birkenau. But, there we were, 200 Jews celebrating Shabbat—Shabbat in Berlin!!

This article was written by Lisa Borowitz

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

More Friends for Shabbat and Havdalah!

Now entering its third year, Kol Ami's "Shabbat and Havdalah with Friends" has been a resounding success.

The Kol Ami community embraced the idea of sharing both Shabbat and Havdalah meals with fellow congregants, as both hosts and guests! Hosts can choose to invite guests for dinner, for coffee and dessert, or for drinks and appetizers. The choice is yours!

If you would like to host a dinner, be a guest or both, please contact Ilene Miller (imillerkolami@gmail.com or 949-4717x111).

We are currently taking reservations for the following dinner:

SATURDAY DATES/HOSTS

Nov 16th Lisa Borowitz

The Bar/Bat Mitzvah Planning Event

Celebrate! ^{22nd year!}

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ADMISSION

Party Showcase
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Sunday, November 24

12:00 - 4:00 pm

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A Davler Media Group Event

From Our President

This time of the year always seems to me to be a time of moving from one place to another. We just finished another cycle of the Days of Awe and are now full into the fall season with the winter holidays just around the corner. As I mentioned in last month's *Connection* article, we, as a congregation, were extremely generous this year as it relates to donations of food (4000 pounds this year compared to 2770 pounds last year) and signing up for the Gift of Life Bone Marrow Registry (over 150 people were added to the list). These are two excellent examples of how our congregation engages in *tikkun olam*, healing the world, on an outwardly focused basis.

Yet, when the focus turns inward, we seem to stop short of fulfilling our needs. I recognize that the cost of belonging to any temple in Westchester is not an inexpensive proposition. Many of us look at our dues and say "that's enough for what I get out of it." But that attitude turns Kol Ami into a "fee for service" establishment when, in reality, it's so much more. If we continue to view our obligations as limited to the payment of our dues, we will continue to fall short of addressing the on-going financial needs of an institution with a mostly fixed expense base and an aging infrastructure.

While we would like to think that there are myriad ways to address our financial needs, such as cutting costs, the reality is quite different. The vast majority of our expense budget is either fixed by contract or law, with salaries making up the bulk of these costs. We constantly challenge and encourage the staff to find ways to "do more with less", but the impact of these savings, while important, is minimal.

At the same time that our expense side is fairly inelastic, there is downward pressure on our revenues, as the percentage of our membership which is on some form of dues relief has continued to grow. Currently, approximately 26% of our total member units are on dues relief. Conversely, only about 9% of our member units have generously agreed to pay dues at one of our Premium Dues levels.

There are even more urgent needs when we consider our capital budget. As many of you know, last year we had to take steps to address the ceilings in many of our classrooms. This, along with the on-going tuckpointing needs for the exterior of the building, depleted our capital reserves. The small amount we will receive from this year's Building Fund will do little to alleviate this problem.

So, how can we address these issues? First, under the leadership of Jess Lorden, one of our Vice Presidents, we have convened a Members Financial Commitment Task Force to examine every way that our members interact with the temple on a financial basis. This Task Force will be looking for ways to make our giving more effective and consistent with the needs of our members. Second, we are encouraging all who can afford to do so to contribute at one of our several Premium Dues levels. Besides the benefits of knowing that you are supporting those in need, there are tangible benefits for every Premium Dues payer, such as dinner(s) at Synaplex, extra High Holy Day tickets, house charge accounts, and access to Premium Dues payer events.

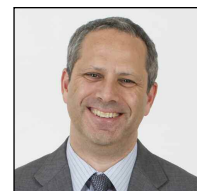


Photo by Mariela Melamed

And, third, and most directly, our Annual Fund is, as its name implies, an on-going year-round initiative. The Annual Fund is essential to ensuring that our budget is balanced. Listed below are those members who have already contributed, and we are so thankful for your generosity. While our total contributions of \$108,000 are more than we received as of this time last year, those funds were donated by fewer congregants than last year. And we are still far short of our budgeted goal of \$150,000. We have increased our participation over the past few years, but, in the end, we still only receive contributions from approximately 22% of the total member units. If those who haven't contributed were to donate *chai* (\$18), that would result in an increase of over \$10,000! If you haven't yet been able to contribute, we hope that you will be able to do so before the end of the year.

As we move along in the calendar towards the fall and winter holidays, I urge you to continue the acts of generosity that we saw at the High Holy Days and to turn that focus inward. We are blessed with such a caring community. It is my hope that we can find ways to meet the financial needs of our congregation so that we can continue to meet all of the needs of our congregants.

Eshalom

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Annual Fund 2013 – 2014

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From the Director of the Early Childhood Program

One doesn't have to walk too far to hear the sounds of laughter coming from the children and staff of our Early Childhood Program. It's everywhere—on our playgrounds, in our classrooms and with each of our special instruction activities. Our curriculum is full and enriching with learning, exploration and extracurricular opportunities in Gym, Israeli Dance and Movement, Nature, Music, Art, and Torah Alive!

This month the ECP is once again pleased to host our annual Book Fair from November 12-15. You are invited with your children to our annual **Story Hour on Tuesday, November 12 at 4:00pm**. This year we are particularly thrilled to welcome **Marisabina Russo**, author of the *Bunnies are Not in their Beds* and *The Line Up Book*. Autographed copies of these books will be available for purchase at our Book Fair. Please see our flyer below for more information.

Our **6th Annual Family 2K Turkey Trot will be held on Sunday morning November 17th beginning at 9:15 am**. We'll be there rain or shine in the front entrance of the Temple and hope you will be too! Admission for this fabulous family morning is smiles, sneakers, frozen turkeys, bags of apples, bags of potatoes, boxes of stuffing, cans of pumpkin, or cans of cranberry. Please see our flyer on

the next page. Remember everyone in the community is welcome, and "Don't be Chicken 'cause we need Turkeys!"

Our 4's will be hosting their annual **Intergenerational Thanksgiving Feast on Wednesday, November 27th**—this is always a very special event here at the early childhood program. Our 3's will be feasting as one community and our 2's will enjoy some delicious treats in their individual classrooms.

This month also marks the beginning of **Pre-Registration for the 2014-2015 school year**. Next year, we will again be offering our very popular Toddler Program (First Friends) for children 14-22 months; 2, 3, 4 and 5- day 2's classes; 3, 4 and 5-day 3's classes; a 4's morning program; an extended day choice for 4's and our A Step Ahead! Kindergarten Readiness Program specifically designed for children turning 5 from September to December. Call the ECP office for more information about any of our programs and our nursery school—we look forward to talking with you and touring you around our school.

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Congregation Kol Ami ECP Book Fair

November 12-15, 2013

Tuesday, 11/12 9am-5pm
 Wednesday, 11/13 9am-2:30pm
 Thursday, 11/14 9am-2:30pm
 6pm-9pm
 Friday, 11/15 9am-10:30am

Don't miss the chance
 to get your holiday
 shopping done early!

Join Marisabina Russo,
 author of *The Bunnies Are
 Not in Their Beds* and *The
 Line Up Book* for story time

Tuesday, November 12th at 4pm



milk & cookies will be served!

Trot on over to Kol Ami's ECP's 5th Annual Family 2K Turkey Trot!

Sunday,
November 18th
at 9:15 a.m.

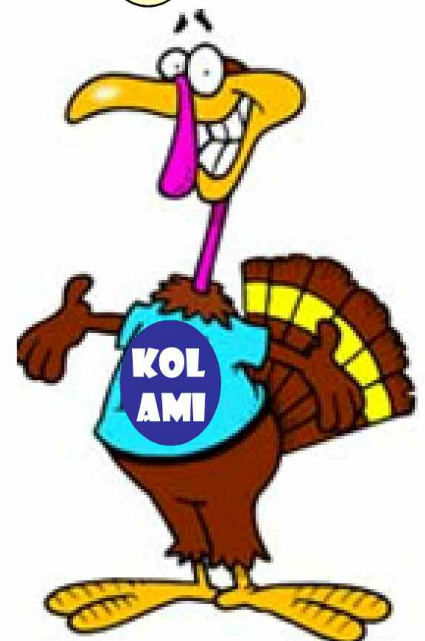
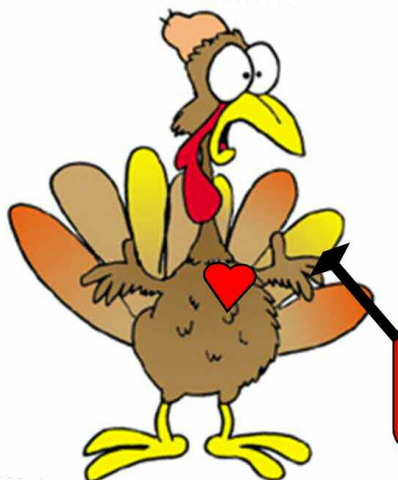
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strollers,
wagons,
sneakers and
lots of friends!

Everyone with a
young child or
children is
welcome.

Tasty donuts &
apple cider will be
served.

Admission:
Frozen turkeys, bags of apples,
bags of potatoes, cans of
cranberry sauce or cans of
pumpkin, boxes of stuffing, or
any of the fixin's for a perfect
Thanksgiving dinner.
All food will be donated to local
food pantries.

Don't be a chicken 'cause
we need Turkeys!



Meet us at: 252 Soundview Avenue

RAIN OR SHINE

From the Religious School



Our school year is now in full swing. Classes are humming and by the look of it, our children have begun to settle into their regular Religious School routine. We have plans for lots of exciting new programs for them, as well as continuing with the old favorites. If you want to know more, check out our website. You'll find all the information about what's happening at Kol Ami.

We are working to build our Religious School leadership with all of you. Your participation, ideas and feedback are what make our school successful. How we meet the needs of our families depends on knowing what those needs are. If you are interested in getting more involved, join us for a Religious School Committee meeting (**next meeting is Sunday, 11/17 from 9:00-11:00 am**). Volunteer to be a class parent. Speak with your child's teacher and volunteer to visit the class and share a story or activity. Your presence here reinforces to your children how important they are to you... and hopefully by being with them at Kol Ami, we reinforce the role of this place to provide a connection to our Jewish community. One of the things I know is that when we take the time to listen to one another, something changes in the dynamic of our interactions. Withhold judgment, and just listen. When we hear each others' stories, we can better understand each of our places in this world we share. We all construct meaning through inquiry, problem solving and discovery. We have so much to learn from each other!

This November, unlike any other again in history, we will mark the month of Kislev. We will share the holiday of Thanksgiving with the lighting of Hanukkah candles. Kislev brings us the mystery of the

rainbow. The sign for Kislev is the bow (keshet), an appropriate sign for a month in the rainy season (in Israel). In the Torah, the Holy One offers the rainbow to Noah as a sign that the world will never again be destroyed by flood. The rainbow, light reflected through water droplets, is a sign of the fire concealed in the moisture of winter and a promise of God's compassion toward human beings. In the Zohar, the rainbow is a manifestation of the immanence of the Divine. The Zohar (somewhat unreasonably) asks us not to look at a rainbow out of respect for the Shekhinah, whose radiance appears in its colors. The rainbow is a glimpse of sacred mystery. By looking at it, we catch a glimpse of the radiance at the root of existence. Kislev, the Month of the Bow, is also a month to pursue *gevurah* (justice), for equity, like the rainbow, is a reflection of the Shekhinah. Hanukkah, the upcoming holiday, teaches the importance of defending freedom. The bow of Kislev is a reminder to be vigilant against those who seek to harm the world and its inhabitants. (taken from *The Month of the Rainbow, The Jewish Book of Days* by Jill Hammer)

At this time of year, it feels appropriate to express my gratitude to all of you. We truly have a special community, and we continue to work to build a wonderful place for all of us to learn together. I am so grateful to be a part of all that Kol Ami represents. I am grateful to work with such smart, dedicated, sensitive and supportive people. I am grateful for my loving family and friends. There is incredible power in this feeling of gratitude. From this, comes the desire to give.

Wishing all our families a month filled with radiance and the time to notice all we have.

Felice

Financial Education and Estate Planning Series

Sponsored by the Kol Ami Planned Giving Committee

Paying for the (Grand)Child's Education: Making Educated Choices

Sharon L Klein

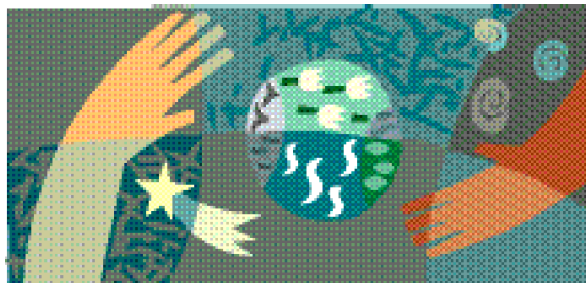
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Family Offices Services and Wealth Strategies
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November 7, 2013 - 8pm

Next Series: February 6, 2014 Save the Date!

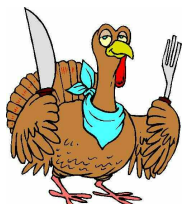
LEGACY SOCIETY



Kol Ami Cares

Opportunities for Volunteering

Kol Ami Cares is the umbrella committee responsible for Social Action activities and providing support and mitzvot to those in need. You can choose to get involved once a year, once a month or once a week—we leave that to you.



OUR ANNUAL TURKEY DRIVE • NOVEMBER 3 THROUGH 18.

Please help the needy in our community by bringing a FROZEN turkey to Kol Ami to donate to one of many organizations that serve those in need. **Frozen turkeys only!** Just bring the turkey to the Kol Ami Kitchen from 9:00 am – 2:30 pm any day we are open. The need is great!! Take advantage of those supermarket offerings. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

KOL AMI BLOOD DRIVE • SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2013

8:30 AM to 2:30 PM at Congregation Kol Ami

Please make sure there will be blood available when someone needs it. YOU can save lives. Students returning from College are welcome. Give the GIFT OF LIFE. Blood donors must be at least 17 years old (or 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. There are also 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.

COOKING FOR THE HOMELESS has been a popular program for years. You can just drop in, ready to lend a hand on Sunday or Monday mornings. The group welcomes new comers and you may come away with a new idea for recipes to make at home. Food is taken to a local shelter and you may find you make new friends in the kitchen.

HOME VISITS – We are developing a list of older congregants who would appreciate a visit in their homes. It breaks up their days and can be a great way to help someone stay connected with our community who may not have family nearby. If you know a congregant who may benefit from this program, please contact Betsy with their phone number and address and details of their confinement. We hope to have members who would take time once a week or once every other week to make a connection. This is an opportunity that would be open to High School students as well.

Thanks for your help with these and all our other programs.

Ginny Ruder – ginnyruder@gmail.com 914-589-5283

Betsy McCormack – betsymc@aol.com 914- 960-9390

KOL AMI SINGERS

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

Wednesday, November 20 at 2:30 pm at the Esplanade

Wednesday, December 18 at 2:00 pm at Port Chester Nursing Home (note different time)

Questions? Please contact Murray Shapiro, 946-7789

COOKING FOR THE HOMELESS

Meets in the Kol Ami Kitchen

Sundays at 11:00 am: 11/17; 12/8; 1/12; 2/9, 3/9; 4/27; 5/4; 6/1

Mondays at noon: 11/25; 12/16; 1/13; 2/24; 3/24; 5/19; 6/16

The Kol Ami Brotherhood (KABRO) Invites You to Our **Family Chanukah Party**

Sunday, November 24th • 11:00 a.m – 1:00 p.m

Everyone's welcome! Join the celebration!

Admission is free . . . Tzadakah, by choice: an unwrapped children's toy to be donated to charity

Schedule

Crafts for Kids:	11:00 a.m.
Chanukah Story Telling	11:30 a.m.
Dreidel Spinning:	12:00 p.m.
Menorah Lighting	12:30 p.m.

Click here for a flyer to register: <http://www.nykolami.org/images/2013Flyers/Latest-Version-Family-Hanukah-Party-2013.pdf>



WOMEN OF REFORM JUDAISM — “Sisterhood”

As I write this article, we are in the month of Cheshvan. This year Cheshvan corresponds mostly to October and is the only month on the Jewish calendar with no holiday. It is a time to take a deep breath after the flurry of the High Holy Days, Sukkot, and Simchat Torah - to assess, to consider, and to evaluate - before we rush headlong into the month of Kislev, its upcoming holiday of Chanukah and new Sisterhood programs and activities.

Kol Ami's Sisterhood has taken this opportunity to study our calendar and our programming - to make some changes, both additions and deletions - and we look forward to a November filled with light, latkes, lattes, and thanksgiving! Our Latkes and Latte event will be held on Saturday, November 23rd from 4 to 6 p.m., and will feature - you guessed it! - both latkes and lattes. But in addition to noshing, we have added a program component to this pre-Chanukah celebration. Ilene Oppenheim will share her power point presentation, Who Gets Grandma's Latkes Platter, "which deals with the mental and emotional decisions regarding how to decide who gets personal property with the goal of leaving the best legacy-positive relationships with loved ones". It is described as thought-provoking and humorous. Because the timing will be so close to Chanukah, we have also invited a well-regarded jewelry vendor who will provide us with an opportunity to purchase some special Chanukah gifts.

And speaking of Chanukah gifts, please make sure to stop by the Judaica Shop which is now featuring Chanukah items for your home and family. We have a lot of new stock, and Chanukah is closer than you may think! The first candle will be lit on November 27, the Wednesday evening immediately preceding Thanksgiving Day!

It is not too late to join the Kol Ami Sisterhood. Along with receiving special discounts at our events, please help us in all we do to connect the women of Kol Ami and to support many projects and activities in our Temple. Our next meeting will be held on November 5, and with our new format, will feature social time along

with a little business.

In the meantime, enjoy the respite of Cheshvan. We look forward to seeing you next month, in Kislev!

Sheryl Brady

Judy Sarch

Rachel Eckhaus

Sisterhood = Friendship



Something magical happens when women come together

An instant community forms; lives intersect; tears and laughter are shared. The collective power of women is unstoppable. Come together with special women who share your values and concerns.

Join Sisterhood today



For more information contact:

Judy Sarch Rachel Eckhaus Sheryl Brady
565-2128 907-0097 761-8345

Visit us at www.NYKolAmi.org/Sisterhood

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Saturday, November 23rd @ 7:00pm

BETH EL SYNAGOGUE CENTER IN NEW ROCHELLE
 \$18 per person by Nov. 11 / \$25 per person at the door

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- Delicious Dairy Dessert Buffet
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NOVEMBER 8TH, 2013

Friday evening schedule :

5:00 pm

Explorations in Jewish Music with
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5:30 pm

Shabbat -in-the -Woods for children
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NEW THIS YEAR!

SPECIAL SYNAPLEX SAVINGS! SEE BELOW FOR DETAILS!

THIS MONTH'S FEATURED GUESTS...

Musical Explorations Guest Cantor Shira Adler

Join acclaimed vocalist Cantor Shira Adler, as she
shares a life story through the lens of Jewish cabaret
and Broadway. From classical to contemporary you
will delight in the familiar, inspiring and heartwarm-
ing musical gems.



***The Main Event - Marking the 75th anniversary of
Kristallnacht, the screening of "Ingelore"***

This is a powerful story of Ingelore Herz Honigstein
who was born deaf in 1924 to Jewish parents in
Kuppenheim Germany—her life, her escape, and
her story here in the United States. Joining us will be
Frank Stiefel, Ingelore's son and the film's producer.

ASL Interpretation Provided

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at 914-949-4717 x111/imillerkolami@gmail.com
or visit www.nykolami.org***

SAVE THE DATES FOR UPCOMING SYNAPLEX EVENTS...

Dec 13, Jan 10 , Feb 28 , Mar 15 & May 9

**CLIP & RETURN DINNER RESERVATION FORM NO LATER THAN NOV 6TH
TO CONGREGATION KOL AMI: 252 SOUNDVIEW AVE, WHITE PLAINS, NY 10606**

NEW THIS YEAR!

SPECIAL SYNAPLEX SAVINGS!

REGISTER BY OCT 30 FOR ALL 6

**SYNAPLEX DINNERS AND PAY FOR ONLY 5! \$125 (A
\$150 VALUE) FOR EACH ADULT & \$75 (A \$90 VALUE) FOR
EACH TEEN/CHILD. ONE CHECK, ONE RESERVATION
FORM FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR!**

"Quiet Conversation Dinner" Adults Only

Adults _____ X \$25 = \$ _____

"Community & Family Dinner"

#Adults _____ X \$25 = \$ _____

#Children/teens _____ X \$15 = \$ _____

#Children 5 and under _____ = N/C

TOTAL ENCLOSED = \$ _____

Adult Name/s

Children's Name/s & Ages

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Email address _____

Please seat me with _____

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Musical Explorations with Trio Shalva

Born and raised in Israel, each of the musicians eventually found themselves in the heart of New York, where they spent years developing their individual styles and techniques. In 2009, Assaf Gleizner, Koby Hayon, and Nadav Snir-Zelniker came together for their first gig, in which they performed original compositions and arrangements of traditional Israeli repertoire. It only took one show for them to understand the serendipitous connection that was underway. As a result, the three musicians moved forward as Trio Shalva, choosing the name for its representation of the Hebrew word for "serenity". The trio explores both new and arranged compositions, combining elements of Jazz with Middle-Eastern, Israeli & Jewish influences.



The Main Event - Harriet Rossetto, author of Sacred Housekeeping — "A Spiritual Memoir"

An honest autobiography of a courageous woman and social worker, who took an interest in the unpopular cause of helping incarcerated Jewish men re-enter society and made it her life's passion. From that passion was born Beit T'Shuvah, a once tiny halfway house that has grown exponentially into a renowned treatment organization. This is the personal story of the obstacles she surmounted and the successes she encountered. This book also tells the unconventional love story of Harriet Rossetto and her husband, Rabbi Mark Borovitz .



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Congratulations



NATALIE GEE, daughter of Janette and Richard Gee and loving sister to Rachel and Tamara, will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on November 2nd, 2013. For her Mitzvah Project, Natalie will be volunteering at White Plains School, tutoring elementary students after school. Natalie is a 7th grader at Scarsdale Middle School. She loves playing lacrosse and enjoys drawing and gymnastics.



JESSIE RAE LEVIN, daughter of Jeffrey and Dawn Levin and younger sister to Ryan and Kasey, will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on November 2, 2013. Jessie is an 8th grader at Highlands Middle School. For her Mitzvah Project, Jessie helps her Grandmother by volunteering at her Pet Food Pantry here in White Plains. The Hudson Valley Pet Food Pantry is a wonderful organization that helps families who are in need keep their beloved pets by providing them with the pet food needed. Jessie spends many hours helping stock their shelves and helping to organize the food deliveries. In her free time she enjoys sewing, drawing and spending time with her friends, family and favorite dogs Sadie and Stella.



AMANDA AND RUSSELL DRANCH, children of Gary Dranch and Netta Blitman, will be called to the Torah as B'nai Mitzvah on November 9, 2013. Russell has been a champion of environmental causes. For his B'nai Mitzvah Project, he organized a film fundraiser for the Amazon Rainforest at his school. He also has participated in several park clean-ups to help beautify public spaces, most recently at Van Cortlandt Park in the Bronx. Amanda organized a benefit for Kids Kloset and donated baby and kids clothes and supplies to this charity group. She has also baked for and participated in numerous bake sales to raise funds for animal shelters. Russell and Amanda are 8th graders at Edgemont Junior-Senior High School. Amanda is a serious and accomplished piano and ballet student. Russell is a high red belt in karate and plays clarinet in the school band. Both children enjoy reading and spending time with friends.



JAKE GRANDE, son of Alicia and Frank Grande and older brother to Michael, will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on November 9th, 2013. For his Mitzvah Project, Jake volunteered at Kidz Closet in White Plains, NY, a not-for-profit organization that supplies clothes to underprivileged local children & children in 3rd world countries. Jake is a 7th grader at White Plains Highlands. He enjoys football, history, skiing and time with family and friends.



ANDREW COHEN, son of Jane and Jay Cohen and younger brother to Annie, will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on November 9, 2013. Andrew is a seventh grader at Scarsdale Middle School. For his Mitzvah Project, Andrew volunteered his time at the Pinwheel Project, a charity devoted to providing comfort and support for hospitalized children and their families. Specifically, Andrew sponsored a child with cancer who was awaiting a bone marrow transplant. Through donations of bedding, room décor, books, snacks, and games, Andrew was able to make his sponsor child's many months in isolation a little easier. In his free time, Andrew enjoys playing the piano, tennis, soccer, basketball, and spending time with his friends. Andrew is looking forward to celebrating his special day with his family and friends.



ELENA MAYA SCHWARTZ, daughter of Janet Linn and Hugh Schwartz, will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on November 16, 2013. For her Mitzvah Project, Elena has taken care of a senior for a day/week-end and will probably be visiting at Senior Centers. Elena is a 7th grader at Edgemont Jr/Sr High School. In her spare time, Elena likes to play soccer, watch The Simpsons movie and hang out with her friends.



KATIE BEA GUTTENBERG, daughter of Randi and Jonathan Guttenberg and older sister to Hannah, will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on November 30, 2013. For her Mitzvah Project, Katie collected books that were donated to children in a war-torn area of Nigeria. Katie learned about how this one town, Nsado, was decimated due to a conflict with a neighboring town. Many parents were killed and much infrastructure in the town destroyed, including the school. Katie collected and donated books to Father Philip Paul Tah at the Sacred Heart Church in Hartsdale, who delivered them to the local school on a recent visit. In addition, Katie tutored children living at Coachman Family Center in White Plains. Katie is a 7th grader at Edgemont Jr/Sr High School. She loves reading books and fan fiction and enjoys travelling.



PERRI THALER, daughter of Marjorie Rosenblatt and Jonathan Thaler, and younger sister of Jordan and Noah, will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on November 30, 2013. Perri will be tying her Mitzvah Project in with her party favors. She will be providing support for the Greyston Bakery, a force for personal transformation and community economic renewal by providing a supportive workplace offering employment and opportunity for advancement for those who might otherwise not have that opportunity. Perri will be collecting books and reading to the children of Greyston employees, as well as giving out the bakery products as part of her celebration. Perri is in the 8th grade at Scarsdale Middle School. When not studying, Perri can be found tap dancing, playing soccer and playing chess.



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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

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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

Upcoming Dates for Junior Youth Group Events in November:

4th/5th/6th Grade

November 8-10 Retreat with Religious School

7th/8th Grade

November 17 11:00 am – 12:00 pm Leadership Lunch to plan upcoming youth events and social action projects.

RSVP rabbiniadiagold@gmail.com



Congregation Kol Ami's Early Childhood Program
Invites you to an evening with

Joel Haber, PhD

Psychologist – Author – Speaker – Consultant

speaking on:

Resilience Building and Parenting

Thursday Evening, November 21st

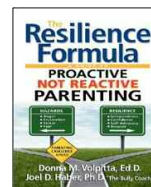
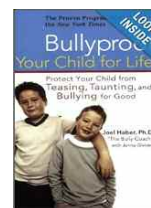
7:00 Coffee

7:30 Presentation

252 Soundview Avenue, White Plains, NY

Visit us at nykolami.org

Everyone in the entire community is always welcome!





Hanukkah Celebration!

Adults Only

A Kol Ami Tradition
Monday, December 2, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Enjoy a special Hanukkah dinner
with your Kol Ami friends
at the home of Ruth Goldberg

Light Candles, Eat Latkes, Sing Hanukkah Favorites,
Spin Dreidels, Share in a Grab Bag
(For the Grab Bag—Please bring a wrapped item that you
would like to “regift” or something you find for \$10.00 or less)

If you have a special menorah that you would like to light,
please feel free to bring it.

Please come and bring a friend!
\$25.00 per person — Please RSVP by November 25th.

Hanukkah Celebration! (Adults Only) –Monday, December 2, 2013

Name(s) _____
of people _____ Amount enclosed _____
Email _____ Phone # _____

Please mail this form and your check, made out to Congregation Kol Ami, to 252 Soundview Ave.,
White Plains, NY 10606. Questions: Call Lisa Borowitz 914-472-5484 or email lborowitz@ramius.com.



We recite these b'rachot on
each night of Hanukkah:

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, אֲשֶׁר קִדְּשָׁנוּ
בְּמִצְוֹתָיו, וְצִוָּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק נֵר שֶׁל חֲנֻכָּה.

Baruch atah Adonai, Eloheinu melech ha-olam, asher kid'shanu
b'mitzvotav, vitzivanu l'hadlik ner shel Hanukkah.

*Blessed are You, Eternal our God, Source of the Universe, Who teaches us
ways of holiness, and calls us to kindle the light of Hanukkah.*

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, שֶׁעָשָׂה נִסִּים
לְאַבֹּתֵינוּ בַּיָּמִים הָהֵם בְּזֶמַן הַזֶּה.

Baruch atah Adonai, Eloheinu melech ha-olam, she'asah nisim
la'avoteinu bayamim hahem bazeman hazeh.

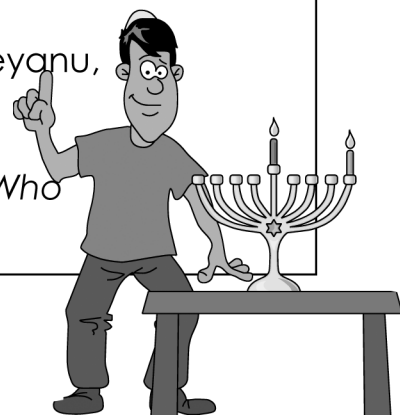
*Blessed are You, Eternal our God, Source of the Universe, Who has done
miracles for our ancestors in days of old, [and] at this time.*

We also recite the Shehecheyanu
on the first night of Hanukkah:

בְּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי, אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם, שֶׁהַחַיָּנוּ, וְקִיָּמָנוּ,
וְהַגִּיעָנוּ לַזֶּמַן הַזֶּה.

Baruch atah Adonai, Eloheinu melech ha-olam, shehecheyanu,
v'kiyemanu, v'higianu lazeman hazeh.

*Blessed are You, Eternal our God, Source of the Universe, Who
has given us life, sustained us and brought us to this time.*





JOIN US AS WE HOST OUR FIRST CARDBOARD CHALLENGE!!

BE PART OF THE
IMAGINATION FOUNDATION GLOBAL DAY OF PLAY
A worldwide celebration of child creativity

WHO: all Kol Ami Families & Friends ~ Teams of up to five and individuals welcome!
ALL children UNDER the age of 14 MUST be supervised by an ADULT
Not recommended for children under 6

WHAT: Join us for an afternoon of design and creativity!
Use your imagination to build games and other creations from cardboard & recycled materials!

WHEN: Sunday, November 24, 2013 12:00-4:30pm

WHERE: Kol Ami Gym

HOW: \$18 per person/team
Register in advance at www.nykolami.org
All proceeds will benefit the Food Bank for Westchester, and scholarship programs at Kol Ami

***Questions? Please email Amy Goldstein at abgold1@yahoo.com**

WHY?????

- engage children in creative play
- foster creativity, ingenuity, resourcefulness, perseverance and teamwork
 - give children an opportunity to explore their interests and passions, and make things that have an impact on others
- provide a platform for communities to actively foster and celebrate child creativity
 - increase global happiness and make a happier, more playful world!

**Learn more about the *Imagination Foundation*
and the *Global Cardboard Challenge* on YouTube
or visit cainesarcade.com**

HERE'S WHAT WE NEED TO MAKE THE DAY A SUCCESS

- * adult volunteers
- * donations of cardboard, tape, loans of tape guns, scissors and box cutters (*to be used by adults only*)...see below for specific supplies we'll need.
- * a student photographer/videographer to document our day

SUPPLIES WE NEED

- * Any clean cardboard: collapsed shipping boxes, cereal boxes, paper towel tubes, milk cartons, shoe boxes; cardboard can be plain or printed.
- * Tape: clear packing, masking, duct, etc.
- * Balls: ping pong, small bouncy balls
- * Anything else you may need on that day – string, markers, etc.

After watching the videos you may have some ideas!

The Kol Ami Sisterhood Havdalah Series Presents

Latkes & Lattes

Saturday,
November 23rd
4-6pm
In the Kol Ami Gallery



Special Features

Who Gets Grandma's Latkes Platter

A thought provoking and humorous presentation which deals with the mental and emotional decisions regarding how to decide who gets personal property with the goal of leaving the best legacy- positive relationships with loved ones. Presented by Ilene Openheim, owner of I-Go-Concierge, a senior moving, relocation and closing-home service.

Unique Costume Jewelry by Susan Carson

Enjoy a little shopping for yourself or others. Susan brings the latest styles at the best prices.

Advance Registration: \$18 members/\$25 non-members
After November 17th or at the door: \$36

R.S.V.P. by November, 17th.

Online Credit Card Registration: www.NYKolAmi.org/Sisterhood

**Mail Registration: Make check payable to Kol Ami Sisterhood
and send to the main office**

Adult Education

Please read more about offerings for the whole year in our Adult Ed brochure that was distributed during the holidays or on our website,

<http://www.nykolami.org/images/PageDocuments/ADULT%20ED%20BROCHURE%202013-14%20FINAL%20SEPT%2011.pdf>

Spiritual Journeying Groups

Mussar Classes

facilitated by Rabbi Pamela Wax,
Spiritual Care Coordinator,

Westchester Jewish Community Services
Mondays, 12:30—2:00 pm

This workshop will introduce Mussar practice through tikkun middot ("repairing ourselves from the inside out"), so that we can act with greater compassion, kindness, and love in our homes, friendships and work.

Contact Rabbi Wax at pwax@wjcs.com or 914-761-0600 x149 to register.

Mondays: Nov 11, Dec 9, Jan 13, Feb. 10, Mar 10, Apr 7, May 12, June 9
Schulman Chapel in the Woods

Jewish Mindfulness Meditation

led by Ruth Rosenblum, LCSW,
the WJCS Partners-in-Caring
clinician for Kol Ami

Thursday mornings, 9:30 - 10:45 am
Jewish contemplative practices for clearing the mind, softening the heart and opening to the One. All Welcome. No meditation experience necessary.

No class 11/28

Schulman Chapel in the Woods

Women in Transition

led by Ruth Rosenblum, LCSW

Are you attempting an adjustment to a major life change? Please join us in an Interactive Discussion Group. Topics to be discussed include but not limited to: retirement, widowhood, aging, changing relationships with adult children, and other life transitions (as desired). The goal of the group is to offer mutual aid in personal adjustment to life transitions, including discussion of: positive & negative aspects of individual life transitions, individual grief reactions to life change, and options that can aid personal adjustment.

Meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month in the Conference Room.

11:30 am - 1:30 pm

Space is limited and original group members have priority. If you are interested in joining the group, please contact Sheila Sturmer at sturmersheila@gmail.com or 914-723-7760

Parenting Workshops

with Susan Davis, LCSW

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.

Meets the first Monday of the month
9:15 - 10:45 am

Parent Talk!

Designed for Parents/Grandparents
and Babies 2 - 12 months.

Topics will be related to parenting babies at this stage.

Meets the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month (coinciding with the ECP calendar)

in the Petschek Gallery

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 for
parents focusing on a variety of parenting
issues and stresses.

Meets the 1st Sunday of the month
9:15 - 10:45 am

Weekly Torah Study:

Friday mornings 10:00 – 11:30 am
Room 20

Meets every Friday except when temple is closed. Led by Kol Ami Members

COURSES

Wisdom of the Sages

with Rabbi Tom Weiner

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

All are welcome.

Tuesdays, 12:00 noon-1:00 pm in Room 20

Introduction to the History of Israel from Joshua in Canaan to the Monarchy

with Emily Fields

Wednesdays, 7:30 pm

A contextual study of Israel and the Middle East—then and now. If you are interested in participating, please email Emily at efgraph@optonline.net

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. Each session will begin with an overview of the issue. Participants will examine issues, through various perspectives, using readings, video or a guest speaker.

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

Nov 4 & 18, Dec 2 & 16

Jan 27, Feb 3 & 24, Mar 3 & 17,

Apr 7 & 28, May 5 & 19

The Hebrew Prophets

Mondays 7:00 – 8:00 pm
Room 20

Led by Kol Ami Members

The bible chronicles the history of the Hebrew people from approx. 740 BCE to 520 BCE through the eyes and hearts of the prophets, from Isaiah to Malachi. Who are these men? How do they see their world? What are their messages and are they relevant today? We will explore these questions and more. Contact Paul Davis at paullawrencedavis@yahoo.com

Free University

Start a study group, discussion group or seminar at Kol Ami. Cover any topic that falls under the broad umbrella of Reform Judaism. Adult Ed will vet, advertise and coordinate. Contact Paul Davis at paullawrence-davis@yahoo.com

Other Items of Interest

Lunch and Learn in New York City

with Rabbi Tom Weiner

Issues ancient and modern with texts, ancient and modern.

Dates to be announced soon

Women's Roundtable Breakfasts

with Rabbi Shira Milgrom

Wed., 7:45-9:00 am

11/6, 12/4, 1/8, 2/5, 3/5, 4/2 & 5/7

Mah Jongg

Open To All: Experienced and Novice

Wednesdays 11:30 am in the Kol Ami Atrium

Email Wendy Roos Wendyroos1@aol.com

to be added to the email distribution

No mah jongg 11/27

Bridge

Open to All

Wednesdays, 11:30 am

in the Kol Ami Atrium

No bridge 11/27

Kol Ami Reads Book Club

Annual Poetry Session – Jewish Poets

November 6, 2013

The Cat's Table

by Michael Ondaatje

December 4, 2013

The Death of Ivan Ilyitch

by Leo Tolstoy

January 8, 2014

My Beloved World

by Sonia Sotomayor

February 5, 2014

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

MITZVAH KNITZ

We will be meeting on

Thursday

Nov. 21, 2013

from 11:00 am

to 1:00 pm.

Join us.

Knitters of all skill levels
are welcome.

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

Adult Education *continued*

Westchester Adult Jewish Education at Kol Ami:

A discussion of Jewish Ethics.

with Dr. Carol Diamant

Please see the Adult Education brochure
for more details or [CLICK HERE](#)
for a listing of all their programs.

Welcome to Kol Ami's Winter Jewish Film Festival—Monday Movies Screenings of Israeli films and films with Jewish content~

Selected Monday evenings at 7:30 pm • Moderated by Roger Seti

The November 18th film will be "The Jewish Cardinal"

The true story of Jean-Marie Lustiger, the son of Polish-Jewish immigrants, who maintained his cultural identity as a Jew even after converting to Catholicism at a young age, and later joining the priesthood. Quickly rising within the ranks of the Church, Lustiger was appointed Archbishop of Paris by Pope Jean Paul II - and found a new platform to celebrate his dual identity as a Catholic Jew, earning him both friends and enemies from either group. When Carmelite nuns settle down to build a convent within the cursed walls of Auschwitz, Lustiger finds himself a mediator between the two communities - and may be forced at last to choose his side.

The December 16th film will be "God's Fiddler: Jascha Heifetz"

Not since Paganini had there been such a magician on the violin. The first modern violin virtuoso, Heifetz went on to set the standard in violin playing for nearly a century. This film portrays an artist for whom only perfection would do, so well known in popular culture that his name became shorthand for excellence for everyone from Jack Benny to The Muppets to Woody Allen.

Hebrew Classes for Adults*

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Sunday Mornings

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Advanced Beginners Adult Hebrew

10:00 am – 11:00 am

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11:15 am – 12:15 pm

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Please contact Emily at
efgraph@optonline.net if you
are interested in attending or
require additional information

Intermediate/Advanced

Conversational Hebrew, grammar,
vocabulary, reading, and translating
current Israeli publications.

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Alice Seidman

Sundays, 9:30 am

Contact Alice Seidman at 953-8455
for further information

Classes meet when Religious School is in session

We gratefully acknowledge your generous contributions

**Rabbi Shira Milgrom's
Discretionary Fund**

- In appreciation for officiating at Jack's graveside service and in memory of Jack, from Milton and Linda Persily
- In honor of David's and Shira's 40th Wedding Anniversary, from Fran and Burt Ehrlich
- Congratulations to Ellen Bittner on her special birthday, from Barbara Block
- ECP Bookshare, from Naomi and Daniel Lobatto, David and Maggy Weber
- In memory of David Phillip Trent and Bertram J. Trent, from Geraldine Trent
- In honor of the Milgrom/Elcott Family, from Mattie Abler
- In appreciation of the trip of a lifetime, from Ellen Bittner
- In memory of Warren Levine, from Stephanie Levine
- In celebration of their long and strong marriages; Shira and David's 40th anniversary and Ruth and Eddie Elcott's 70th anniversary and of these milestone anniversaries, with love and admiration, Michelle Gersen and Michael Zweig

**Rabbi Tom Weiner's
Discretionary Fund**

- In appreciation for being there and helping, from Gwynneth Russler
- Thank you for officiating at our daughter Jaime and Shawn's wedding and sharing another chapter in our lives, from Randy and Harris Jacobs
- In appreciation of our new sanctuary and High Holiday services from Sally Froelich
- In appreciation, from Edith Karliner
- Thank you and in memory of my wife, Lidiya Belenkaya from Vladimir Serebro
- Thank you and in memory of Lidiya Belenkaya, Boris' mother, from Alona and Boris Serebro

Cantor Glazman's Discretionary Fund

- In loving memory of David Oltsik, father of Myra Oltsik, from Judy Robbins-Rosenberger
- With thanks for your help with Acadia's Bat Mitzvah and in appreciation of the Yom Kippur music from Moira Trachtenberg-Thielking and Mark Thielking
- With thanks to the Cantor for helping to make my son Abraham's aufruf such a meaningful and memorable occasion from Ellen Umansky
- Thank you for conducting the shiva service for Milton's brother, Jack Persily, from Linda & Milton Persily

Kol Ami Fund

- In loving memory of Annie Friedheim, from Mildred Goldman
- In loving memory of Bernard Linn, from Frances Linn
- In loving memory of my father, Rishon Rosen, from Amy Rosen
- In honor of Jeanne Quinn's "Special Birthday", from Naomi Siwek
- In loving memory of Bill Waldorf, husband of Barbara Waldorf, from Louise Cogan
- In loving memory of Brendan Halligan, from Benjamin Wesdorp
- In honor of Evelyn and David Klein's new grandson, Charles Eli Klein, from Janet and Mark Hershey

Fund for the Needy

- In honor of the marriage of Jonathan Kava, son of Beth and Gene Kava, to Rachel Von Glahn, from Linda and Milt Persily
- In honor of Jeanne Quinn's "Special Birthday", from Gloria and Benjamin Anker, Judy and Buddy Marks
- In loving memory of Lidiya Belenkaya, mother of Boris Serebro, from Tova and Barry Effron

L'Dor Va' Dor Fund

- In honor of Janet Hershey, from David and Karen Cole
- In honor of my daughter-in-law, Laura Shoop's accomplishments, from Judith Goldman
- In honor of Ellen Bittner's "Special Birthday", from Maggy and David Weber
- In honor of Lisa Borowitz, from Ellen Bittner

Adult Education Fund

- In honor of the marriage of Jonathan Kava, son of Beth and Gene Kava, to Rachel Von Glahn, from Mattie Abler
- In honor of the marriage of Abraham Umansky Kannot, son of Ellen Umansky, to Karlie Eubanks, from Bernice Gale
- In honor of Ellen Bittner's "Special Birthday," from Mattie Abler

People To People Fund

- In honor of Nathan Ward's Bar Mitzvah, son of Elizabeth and Andrew Ward, from Patty and Bert Wohl

Early Childhood Program ECP

- In honor of the baby naming of Leah Genevieve Gosdin, daughter of Noreen and Allan Gosdin, from Elizabeth and Daniel Mueller
- In honor of Ellen Bittner's "Special Birthday", from Marjorie Bruckman

CONGRATULATIONS

- To Beth & Gene Kava on the marriage of their son Jonathan to Rachel Von Glahn
- To Lindsey & Michael Goldstein on the birth of their son, Levi Evan Goldstein
- To Randy & Harris Jacobs on the marriage of their daughter Jamie to Shawn Siegel
- To David Gravit on the marriage of his grandson Kyle Morrell to Elissa Genereux
- To David Gravit on the engagement of his granddaughter Corinne Morrell to Erik Ofgang
- To Madeline and Allen Hauptman on the birth of their granddaughter, Avery Liat Siegel
- To Ellen Umansky on the marriage of her son Abraham Umansky Kannot to Karlie Alexandra Eubanks

CONDOLENCES

- To Hanina Shasha on the death of her husband, Alfred Shasha
- To Eric Staffin on the death of his grandmother, Claire Schneider
- To Neil Ivler on the death of his grandmother, Dorothy Price
- To Steve Wershaw on the death of his mother, Beverly Wershaw
- To Boris Serebro on the death of his mother, Lidiya Belenkaya
- To Barbara Waldorf on the death of her husband, William (Bill) Waldorf
- To Rob Feinstein on the death of his mother, Harriet Feinstein
- To George and Lin Shapiro on the death of their sister-in-law, Millicent (Milli) Shapiro. Milli was also the aunt of Mia Shapiro

In Memoriam

Annie Friedheim
Alfred Shasha
William (Bill) Waldorf

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