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Worship Opportunities



Kol Ami's Kabbalat Shabbat Services in our Main Sanctuary at 6:15pm

We come to this sacred space together
to pray, to sing, to remember.
So take a deep breath, look around, allow your
body to move, your voice to soar, and your soul to open
to the possibilities of this time.

Worship Opportunities



Shabbat in the Woods



The Spirit



of



Shabbat

CONGREGATION KOL AMI WELCOMES YOU TO
JOIN US EVERY FRIDAY NIGHT

*A Shabbat Service in Story and Song for Families with
Young Children from 5:30 - 6:00pm all year round.*

*In the Kol Ami Gallery
Followed by our Festive Oneg!*

Parents can join in our 6:15pm
Kol Ami Service while your preschooler
can stay with us and enjoy crafts, games,
and a light supper!

The first Friday of every month is also our
Book Share Evening sponsored by temple
families. Each family who attends will go
home with a book as our gift to you.

Everyone is welcome!

Worship Opportunities

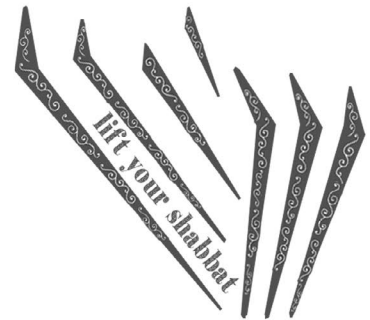
lift your shabbat

*Saturday Morning Torah Study
With Rabbi Shira*

Join Rabbi Shira and fellow congregants in our beautiful Chapel in the Woods on Saturday mornings. Step away from the chaos of the week and bring in the warmth and reflection of Shabbat that Torah Study can offer for the week ahead.

9:00am **coffee & community**
9:30am **torah study**
11:00am **shabbat services**

Come for all, or part, of the morning, Bring your curiosity!



Weekly Torah Portions for November

Week ending November 4, 2017

Parashat Vayera Genesis 18:1-22:24

Parashat Vayera opens with Abraham receiving a visit from messengers who bring predictions of Isaac's birth. Abraham stands up to God to protest the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah when God threatens to destroy those settlements. Isaac is born and begins to grow. The final scene in this parashah tells the story of the "Binding of Isaac" where God tests Abraham, instructing him to sacrifice his son Isaac.

Week ending November 11, 2017

Parashat Chayei Sarah Genesis 23:1-25:18

The first words of this parashah translate as "the life of Sarah," but it begins with her death. Abraham purchases land in which to bury his wife, and then sends his servant to the village of his brother to acquire a wife for his son Isaac. The servant observes Rebekah, who offers water to him and to his camels to drink. Rebekah follows Abraham's servant back home and becomes Isaac's wife. Abraham dies at the age of 175 years, and Isaac and Ishmael bury him with Sarah in the cave of Machpelah.



Week ending November 18, 2017

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 25, 2017

Parashat Vayetze Genesis 28:10-32:3

Vayetze, meaning "and he went out," refers to Jacob's journey to Haran, his mother Rebekah's birthplace, to escape his brother Esau's wrath. 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 Rachel. Jacob eventually has a total of twelve sons and decides to return to his homeland.

November Calendar

Wednesday, November 1st

7:45-8:45am Women's Roundtable Breakfast
9:00-10:30am KA Reads Book Club
9:00-10:30am ECP 4's and 5's Coffee with Nan
10:30am-2:00pm Mah Jongg
4:00pm-8:30pm Religious School
7:30-8:30pm Israel in the News
7:45pm Confirmation Parent Meeting

Thursday, November 2nd

9:30-11:00am Jewish Meditation in the Chapel
11:00am-12:00pm Wisdom of the Sages
12:00-1:00pm Parenting Teens Workshop
5:45pm AA Meeting in the Chapel
6:15pm Purim Spiel Auditions
7:30pm Adult Choir
7:30pm Al-Anon in the Chapel

Friday, November 3rd

5:30pm Shabbat in the Woods, followed by Crafts and Light Supper for Young Children
6:15pm-10:00pm Synaplex! Shabbat with Keynote Speaker Dr. Benjy Gampel

Saturday, November 4th

Lift Your Shabbat Services in the Chapel
9:00am Coffee and Community
9:30am Speaker Dr. Benjy Gampel
11:00am Shabbat Service
12:30-1:30pm Shabbat Scholar in Residence Luncheon with Dr. Benjy Gampel

Sunday, November 5th

9:00am-11:00am Religious School
11:00am Or Chadash Choir
11:00-1:00pm Cooking for the Homeless

Monday, November 6th

9:15-10:15am Grandparenting Workshop
12:30-2:00pm Mussar Class
7:30-9:00pm Kol Ami Movie Night

Tuesday, November 7th

5:45pm AA Meeting in the Chapel
7:30pm Coachman Planning Meeting
7:30pm The Jews of Spain

Wednesday, November 8th

10:30am-2:00pm Mah Jongg
4:00-8:30pm Religious School
7:30pm "Be The Light" Task Force Meeting

Thursday, November 9th

9:30-11:00am Jewish Meditation in the Chapel
11:00-12:00pm Wisdom of the Sages
5:45pm AA Meeting in the Chapel
6:15pm Purim Spiel Auditions
7:30pm Al-Anon in the Chapel
7:30pm-9:00pm Adult Choir

Friday, November 10th

ECP and OFFICES CLOSED
1:00pm 4th-7th Grade Retreat (returning Sun.)
5:30pm Shabbat in the Woods, followed by Crafts and Light Supper for Young Children
6:15pm Shabbat Services in the Sanctuary

Saturday, November 11th

Lift Your Shabbat Services in the Chapel
9:00am Coffee and Community
9:30am Torah Study
11:00am Shabbat Service

Sunday, November 12th

8:30-11:30am Kol Ami Book Fair
9:00-11:00am Religious School
11:00am Or Chadash Choir

Monday, November 13th

8:30am-4:15pm Kol Ami Book Fair
11:00am-12:00pm Current Events
7:30pm-9:00pm The Sephardic Experience

Tuesday, November 14th

8:30am-5:15pm Kol Ami Book Fair
11:30am-1:00pm Women in Transition
12:00pm-2:00pm Cooking for the Homeless
5:45pm AA in the Chapel
7:30pm The Jews of Spain

Wednesday, November 15th

8:30am-6:00pm Kol Ami Book Fair
10:30am-2:00pm Mah Jongg: Play and Lunch
4:00-8:30pm Religious School
7:30-8:30pm Israel in the News

Thursday, November 16th

8:30am-9:00pm Kol Ami Book Fair
9:30-11am Jewish Meditation in the Chapel
11:00-12:00pm Wisdom of the Sages
11:00am-2:00pm Wise Aging
5:00-9:00pm ECP Parent Teacher Conferences
5:45pm AA in the Chapel
7:00pm "Be The Light" Informational Meeting
7:30-9:00pm Adult Choir
7:30pm Al-Anon in the Chapel

Friday, November 17th

8:30am-12:00pm Kol Ami Book Fair
5:30pm Shabbat in the Woods, followed by Crafts and Light Supper for Young Children
6:15pm Shabbat Services in the Sanctuary

Saturday, November 18th

Lift Your Shabbat Services in the Chapel
9:00am Coffee and Community
9:30am Torah Study
11:00am Shabbat Service

November Calendar

Sunday, November 19th

9:00-11:00am Religious School
9:00am 3rd Grade Religious School Book Club
11:00am Or Chadash Choir
11:30-1:00pm Rosh Chodesh in the Chapel
5:00-7:00pm Coachman Thanksgiving Celebration

Monday, November 20th

7:30-9:00pm The Sephardic Experience

Tuesday, November 21st

10:00am-12:00pm Mitzvah Knits
5:45pm AA in the Chapel

Wednesday, November 22nd

10:30-2:00pm Mah Jongg
ECP CLOSES at NOON
Religious School CLOSED

Thursday, November 23rd

ECP and OFFICES CLOSED for Thanksgiving

Friday, November 24th

ECP and OFFICES CLOSED for Thanksgiving
5:30pm Shabbat in the Woods
6:15pm Shabbat Services in the Sanctuary

Saturday, November 25th

Lift Your Shabbat Services in the Chapel
9:00am Coffee and Community
9:30am Torah Study
11:00am Shabbat Service

Sunday, November 26th

Religious School CLOSED

Monday, November 27th

11:00am-12:00pm Current Events
7:30-9:00pm The Sephardic Experience

Tuesday, November 28th

5:45pm AA in the Chapel
7:30pm The Jews of Spain

Wednesday, November 29th

10:30-2:00pm Mah Jongg
4:00-8:30pm Religious School
7:30-8:30pm Israel in the News

Thursday, November 30th

9:30-11:00am Jewish Meditation
11:00am-12:00pm Wisdom of the Sages
5:45pm AA in the Chapel
7:30pm Adult Choir
7:30pm Al-Anon in the Chapel

SAVE THE DATES FOR DECEMBER

Friday, December 1st

Synaplex Shabbat

Saturday, December 2nd

The Chosen at The Long Wharf Theatre

Sunday, December 3rd

Sisterhood Holiday Boutique

Wednesday, December 6th- Sunday 10th

URJ Biennial in Boston

Friday, December 15th

Family Chanukah and Lego Night!

Saturday, December 16th

Sisterhood Latkes and Lattes

Sunday, December 17th

Kol Ami Blood Drive

Monday, December 18th

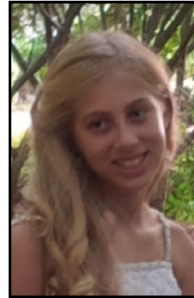
Adult Hannukah Party

B'Nai Mitzvah

We will be celebrating the following children's
B'nai Mitzvah in November. Mazal Tov!



Hannah Lily Pacicca, daughter of Karen and Mark Pacicca and younger sister of Emily will be called to the Torah on Saturday November 4, 2017. Hannah is in the eighth grade at the Valhalla Junior/ Senior High School where she participates on the Field Hockey and Lacrosse teams. In the summer Hannah loves to go to camp at Iroquois Springs in Rockhill, New York. Her Mitzvah project was raising money for Project Morry by holding a number of bake sales during Kol Ami religious school hours. This project connects Hannah's love of the culinary arts with her love of camp, as the monies raised enable inner city kids to have a sleep away camp experience that they ordinarily would not have. In her spare time Hannah enjoys baking, cooking and hanging out her friends. Hannah is very excited about her Bat Mitzvah.



Eliana Drea Zitrin, daughter of Anthony & Debra Zitrin, sister to Gillian & Adena, will be called to the torah on November 11th, 2017. Eliana is an 8th grader at Scarsdale Middle School, and enjoys running for the cross country team, playing her flute in the middle school jazz band, middle school wind ensemble and in the 8th grade band. She also loves programming and building with her lego robotics team, the "TechnoChicks." Eliana is also a competitive swimmer for the "Stingrays." During her summers at Camp Young Judaea Sprout Lake she has been able to explore her love of the arts, participate in Israeli dance festivals, weekly Rikud events, and the musical, "Annie." For her Mitzvah project, Eliana has been inspiring and teaching 4th and 5th graders how to play flute at the non-profit organization, "Songcatchers" in New Rochelle for almost a year. Eliana has been working extremely hard and is all smiles as she anticipates her special day!



Lucy Nicole Barest, daughter of Amy and Warren Barest, and sister to Sydney and Melanie, will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on November 11, 2017. For her Mitzvah project, Lucy has been recycling bottles she collected from friends and neighbors. She is donating the proceeds, as well as a matching amount of her own, to the Westchester Food Bank. Lucy is an 8th grader at White Plains Middle School – Highlands Campus. She plays soccer, basketball, and lacrosse, and is also an avid snowboarder. She is looking forward to sharing this special day with her family and friends.

B'Nai Mitzvah

We will be celebrating the following children's
B'nai Mitzvah in November. Mazal Tov!



Nathan Ripp, son of Bonnie and Peter Ripp and younger brother to Mia Ripp, will be called to the torah as a Bar Mitzvah on November 11, 2017. Nathan is a seventh grader at Edgemont Junior High School. Nathan likes to play basketball, as well as root for his favorite teams and players (especially LeBron).

He also likes playing lacrosse, and is an avid runner. When he is not playing sports, he enjoys spending time with his family and friends. Nathan has been volunteering at the Children's Village for his Mitzvah project. He visits the the Children's Village to spend time with the youngest boys there, engaging them in sports and activities. We are so proud of Nathan, and look forward to this milestone!



Zachary Feldman, son of Stephanie and Douglas and older brother of Lexie, will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah November 18, 2017. He is in the 7th grade at the Windward School. During the school year, Zach plays baseball, tennis, and piano.

During the summer, he goes to Raquette Lake Boys Camp. Zach loves the Yankees and Giants, and both snow and water skiing. For his Mitzvah project, Zach has been volunteering in the food pantry at the Carver Center. The Carver Center is a community center in Port Chester. It mainly serves first and second generation Latinos from Mexico, Central America and South America. Zach is very excited to share his special day with family and friends.

Also celebrating in November:

Olivia Geller Circujano
November 4th

Ellie Kaufer
November 4th



A Message from our Rabbi

Stone courtyards, late night drinks, cobblestone lanes, music and mystery, palaces and perfumed trees, mosques and cathedral bells. These are glimpses of nine glorious days we will have in Spain – March 5-14, 2018. Jews flourished in Spain under Muslim sovereignty in what would be remembered by Sephardic Jews as The Golden Age of Spain. More than 500 years since the expulsion of Jews (and Muslims) from Spain, Sephardic Jews continue to speak Ladino (the Spanish-Hebrew language of their communities) and sing Shabbat songs to

Spanish melodies. The tastes, rhythms, sounds and rituals of this richly beautiful culture continue to animate Jewish life today. But Christian Spain (following the edict of expulsion by Ferdinand and Isabella in 1492) did everything possible to eradicate any memory of its Jewish and Muslim past. Traveling as a Jew today in Spain is to feel both the power of that shadow and to peel back the layers of the Spanish Jewish story. This year, adult education is focused on the culture of the Jews of Spain – with music, scholars, poetry and kabbalah. You can find classes on Monday evenings, Tuesday evenings, scholars in residence and a music Synaplex showcasing this phenomenal tradition.

There are still spaces on our trip to Spain, and I would love you to join me. The beauty and layered secrets of Spain are like no other. *-Shira*



Congregation Kol Ami
Trip to Spain
March 5-14, 2018

from
\$3,395 land only

 from
\$4,025 air & land



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Trip to Spain
March 5-14, 2018

PROGRAM DETAILS



ACCOMMODATIONS

Dates	Hotel	City
March 6-9, 2018 Catedral (3 nights)		Barcelona
March 9-11, 2018 Casas de la Juderia (2 nights)		Seville
March 11-12, 2018 Hacienda del Cardenal (1 night)		Toledo
March 12-14, 2018 Conde Duque (2 nights)		Madrid

The flip book online has the links to registration and more information. Click here: [Arza World Flipbook](#)

A Message from our Rabbi

Dear High School Students,

During 2018 February break we will once again take our high school students for community service and adventure to Costa Rica. Teaming up with Sababa Surf Camp, we have planned an amazing journey to central America with many additions to the program. The purpose of the week is to de-stress from school and everyday life while at the same time helping and engaging with the new and different world. This will involve meditation, surfing, engaging discussion, hiking and lots and lots of laughter. Each day will also include community service opportunities, working with animals, reforestation as well as engaging young children. Hopefully we will be leaving the places we visit just a little bit improved, as our own souls will burn a bit brighter.



On Wednesday evening,
November 8th there will be a
Parent Meeting with me,
Idan Santhaus,
and Sababa Director
Danny Mishkin.
Details to follow.

All Kol Ami high school students are
invited on this trip to Costa Rica.
Scholarship available.
Just give me a call.

With excitement and love,

Rabbi Tom



Our High School Tikkun Olam Trip to Costa Rica

Save the Dates!
Winter Break
February 18-25, 2018

\$500 deposit due by November 22nd
Space is limited.

\$3,100 (Scholarship is available,
contact Rabbi Tom)

*Sababa Judaism is just like its name:
It's a no worries, all good approach to Jewish life
...but it's even much deeper than that!*

*'Sababa' teaches us to be in the moment
and to be fully present. It allows us to disconnect
from technology, and reconnect with ourselves,
our peers, and the nature around us.*

*Learn to snorkel, surf, as well as Tikkun Olam
projects! Shabbat bonfires on the beach,
cooking meals together, and more!*

*Have an amazing experience creating a strong
community with great friends.*

RSVP now to Idan at:
IdanSanthaus@ngkolami.org
Only 20 spaces available!!

Join Rabbi Tom and Idan Santhaus, Director of Youth Engagement, along with
Sababa Director, Danny Mishkin, for an amazing experience of service,
de-stressing, surfing, cross-cultural exchange and community
building. We will be engaging in a community development project,
and studying our social justice efforts within a Jewish framework.



A Message from our Cantor

COMING TO KOL AMI THIS FEBRUARY: BILLY JOEL---THE MEGILLAH MAN!!

For those of you that have been to our Purim Spiels in the past, you know that not only are they a wonderful evening of entertainment, but they are funny, musical and star some of your favorite people...YOU!!

Last year, our spiel entitled “Esther—A Persian Musical” was set to the music of Hamilton. It featured some of our brightest and youngest talent. For those of you that were there, you know that this was an incredible show packed with amazing songs, wonderful acting and it was a wonderful way to celebrate the holiday of Purim. We are blessed to have a wonderful crew that will be leading this year’s spiel including: Our Director, Ellen Flaks; our Musical Director, Lenora Eve and our choreographer, Jill Staffin.

If you thought Hamilton was good, then I can promise you that you are going to love Norman Roth’s latest spiel, entitled “Billy Joel—The Megillah Man”, featuring the music of one of New York’s greatest artists, Billy Joel. Looking forward to another great spiel on Wednesday, February 28, 2018 from 6:30-8:00pm!



PURIM SPIEL AUDITIONS!

Auditions will be held from 6:15-7:15pm
Thursday November 2nd in Cantor David’s Office
and Thursday, November 9th in the Sanctuary.

You are going to love Norman Roth’s latest spiel,
entitled “Billy Joel—The Megillah Man”,
featuring the music of one of New York’s greatest artists, Billy Joel.

It will include such numbers as:
“Play us a Spiel, The Megilah Man”
“Living Here in Shushan Town”
“Shushan Girls”
“It’s Still Purim Spiel to Me”...

If you wish to audition, please RSVP a 10 minute time slot with Ginny
by emailing her at ginnyherron-lanoil@nykolami.org

Please bring with you to the audition the sheet music to one song of your choice
and please be prepared to read a bit of dialogue that will be handed to you at the
audition. All ages are welcome!!

-Cantor David

A Message from our Co-President



#bethelight

I am a reluctant user of social media. I begrudgingly joined Facebook three years ago because it was the only way I could view photos of my children at camp. I maintain accounts on other platforms so that I can get information I need and, of great importance in this new age of parenthood, monitor the online teen world of which my children are a part. I am intensely protective of my family's privacy. As a result, though I try to live my life with a healthy level of optimism, in the social media arena, where so many see open lines of communication and connection, I see a minefield. I don't post. I don't tweet. I don't publicly share.

But I am fascinated by the hashtag. The simple symbol that we use to call "pound" now is used as a modifier – to sum up a post, to identify with a person or cause, even to start a movement. Placed in front of a single word or a phrase, from the mundane to the most brilliantly witty, the hashtag has power. It can convey messages and connect people instantly, effectively, and forcefully.

So when it came time to find a name for our newly-forming social justice task force this past summer, it is not surprising that the inspiration came from a hashtag. It was critically important to me that the task force name be inspiring and broadly capture the range of responsibilities with which it would be charged: to act to promote and protect human rights, support congregants and those outside our community in the wake of distressing events, and to communicate and connect with those within and outside our congregation on social justice issues, to name a significant few. As I searched for the right words, I kept coming up empty.

... until one day, when I opened an email message from the Union for Reform Judaism ("URJ") in the immediate aftermath of the disturbing events of Charlottesville. The URJ's August 15th message provided a positive response to Charlottesville: *"Our world is imperfect, so we respond with hope. Our world is full of darkness, so we respond with light."* The email started with a simple hashtag: **#bethelight**

The phrase had a profound impact on me. The three short words simultaneously conveyed hope, power, understanding, and action. **Be. The. Light.**

With the URJ's permission, we adopted the hashtag, and Kol Ami's #bethelight initiative was born. Through our social justice work at Kol Ami, we strive to be the light for others in our congregation, in our neighboring communities, and throughout our country and world. I am deeply proud of the commitment our members have made year after year to better the lives of those in need. We are now poised to do more, to provide timely information on issues that affect our community and to provide support and effect change in our communities and beyond in areas of importance to us. Under the strong, passionate leadership of Ronnie Cohn and Lori Abrams, our #bethelight initiative is prepared to start identifying areas of focus and begin its important work.

As we embark on this journey, we want to hear from you. We will be holding our Informational Meeting on Thursday, November 16th from 7:00 – 8:00 pm in the Gallery. Please join us and share your ideas, the social justice issues you find most compelling, and/or ways in which you would like to be part of our social justice efforts. Together let us spread light where there is darkness.

#bethelight

L'Shalom
Susan

A Message from our Executive Director



The Connection is introducing a new series of articles this year, giving our congregants an opportunity to honor the relationships that have influenced their “Jewish Journey”. I am delighted to be the first to write and introduce you to my Nana, Ethel Chait, who had a profoundly positive effect on my Jewish journey. I was fortunate to be raised in a home with three generations of my family - my Nana, my parents, and my brothers and me. We belonged to a conservative temple, where my grandparents and great grandparents were founding members. My Nana was a regular Shabbat worshipper and always proudly occupied her “assigned” seat. Although I didn’t attend Shabbat services on a regular basis, when I went on holidays or Saturdays I often sat with Nana. I enjoyed listening to her pray and chatting with her friends, who year after year sat in the same section as she did. Nana always carried candies in her pocketbook, and at the end of services, I could count on Nana to share some of her candy, which were usually Mentos. To this day, I still love Mentos candy.

The United States Merchant Marine Academy is located in my hometown, and sometimes a cadet, dressed in a starched white uniform, attended our services. Whenever that happened, Nana was always the first person to offer the cadet a ride home. Thanks to Nana, one of those cadets became a lifelong family friend.

My family shared Shabbat dinner together on Friday nights, and often friends joined us. Nana made the chopped liver, gefilte fish, and matzoh ball soup for our holiday celebrations. She was also a wonderful baker - her specialties were hamantashen, ruggalech and sugar cookies. Passover was one of Nana’s favorite holidays (it is also Dave’s favorite Jewish holiday). She loved traditions and one of hers was saying “alivei” at the same places in the Seder each year. To honor Nana, we continue that tradition.

Nana often delighted us with stories of the “old” days - how her parents escaped from Russia, how she was raised in South Africa and then moved to the Bronx so Nana would have better marriage prospects, and ultimately how they moved to Great Neck. She also taught us to play her favorite card games, which I in turn taught to Sarah and Robby. Nana played mah jongg, which I learned to play this year. I am now the proud owner of Nana’s mah jongg set. Nana volunteered in the gift shop at North Shore Hospital

on Thursday nights. Sometimes I went with her and she taught me how to wrap presents with tight corners and beautiful ribbon. When Nana’s shift ended we always shared a Mentos and Nana often purchased a roll of Mentos to bring home for my Dad.

Nana loved family and enjoyed watching her family grow. I was the first grandchild to become married. When Nana was asked if it bothered her that I was marrying a non-Jew she honestly responded that she loved Dave and was happy I was marrying someone terrific. Nana was ahead of her time in so many ways.

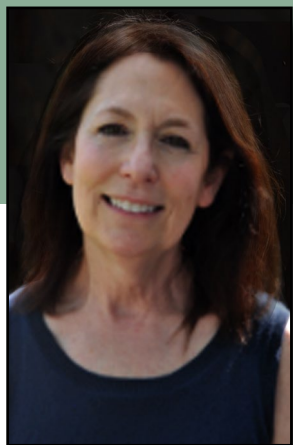
I think of Nana often when there are exciting things going on in my life. When Dave and I were married, I carried a small family bible that my family brought from Russia. My great grandmother, my Nana, my Mom, and I carried that same bible at our weddings, and I look forward to offering it to Sarah when she becomes a bride. On the day before Robby celebrated becoming a bar mitzvah I thought about her. Just like Nana used to do, I organized the new outfit I was planning to wear. When I did so, I found that the security tag on the blazer hadn’t been removed. Because I made this discovery on Friday, I had plenty of time to go back to the store to have the tag removed. I like to think that Nana was watching out for me that day.

I learned the importance of temple community, Jewish traditions and culture, volunteering, and opening up our home to others from my Nana. She died shortly before we joined Kol Ami - - I often think about how much Nana would have loved our Friday night and Saturday morning Shabbat services and our amazing community.

If you have a special connection you would like to share, please email Emily Campbell at emilycampbell@nykolami.org or Susan Ross at havilands122@yahoo.com.



Jess and Nana-1987



A Message from our ECP Director

November ECP Dates and Family Opportunities:

- 11/1 4s/5s Coffee with Nan at 9:15am
- 11/10 Closed for Veterans Day
- 11/12 Book Fair Begins
- 11/1 Author Reading at 4:00pm with Jason Carter Eaton
- 11/16 ECP Evening Conferences for all children-(babysitting provided)
- 11/23 and 11/24 Closed for Thanksgiving

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 opportunities in Gym, Israeli Dance, Music, Art, Teva, Garden and Torah Alive!

This month the ECP is once again pleased to host our annual Book Fair opening Sunday, November 12th and running through Friday, November 18th. Every day of the Fair we will be hosting author events and story times. On Tuesday, November 14th well known children's author Jason Carter Eaton whose written child favorites including "How to Train a Train" and "How to Trap a Truck" and "Great, Now We've Got Barbarians!" Please refer to our flyer in this month's Connection on page 35 for information and details about the upcoming programing. Many thanks to Sara Elkin, Courtney Rabb, and their committee, for organizing our Book Fair this year.

Our 10th Annual 2K Turkey Trot will be held on Friday morning November 17th during school from 10:30-11:30. White Plains Hospital will be here to cheer us along and help make our event extra special. We'll be trotting rain or shine! We cannot do this event without your partnership. We are asking our families to help by contributing food for us to distribute to the Westchester Food Bank in time for Thanksgiving. We are asking each of our 2's families to donate cans of peas and carrots, our 3's families a bag or box of stuffing, our 4's families a bag of potatoes or a bag of apples, and our 5's families a can of pumpkin or cranberry sauce. After we're finished "trotting" around the neighborhood the children will enjoy a cup of cider and turkey stickers to bring home.

The ECP will have the honor of filling candy bags for the Coachmen Thanksgiving dinner held here on Sunday, November 19th. And we'll be feasting ourselves - that's right the, 2's, 3's, 4's and 5's will be feasting at our "Thanksgiving" celebrations enjoying such holiday favorites as sweet potatoes, stuffing, cranberry sauce and corn muffins.

This month also marks the beginning of our Pre-Registration for the 2018-2019 school year. Next year, we will again be offering our very popular First Friends Program 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, and a 3-full 2 half-day program for 4's an extended day choice for 4's and 5's and our A Step Ahead! Kindergarten Readiness Program specifically designed for children turning 5 from September to December. Please feel free to 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.

-Nan

Building a Community of Friends, One Family at a Time

A Message from our Religious School Director



It has been such a busy start of the year. With the fall Holidays past us, we will finally begin to settle into routines! This month is packed with fun activities and programs – Our 3rd Grade archeological dig, our 4th through 7th grade Retreat weekend, book clubs, art with Avi and our 9th grade visit to the HUC soup kitchen.

The air is cool, the leaves are changing and it really finally feels like Fall. After weeks of celebrating our fall holidays, for me, November is the month of Thanksgiving. I am often acutely aware of my personal desire to express gratitude. To be thankful. Life is so full of challenges for most of us... so finding that space in which to feel grateful is often not easy. Usually, for me it involves stepping away from the daily stress and pressure and taking a broader view of my life. When I'm able to get past the pile of work on my desk, or the pile of bills at home, I can see with some clarity the blessings in my life. A family who I love and who love me, and the care and support of friends. A Jewish community that provides me with constant ways to learn and grow, to both give and receive.

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 the world. We all construct meaning through inquiry, problem solving and discovery. We have so much to learn from each other!

This prayer inspires me to find that place of gratitude. Open my eyes, God. Help me to perceive what I have ignored, to uncover what I have forsaken, to find what I have been searching for. Remind me that I don't have to journey far to discover something new, for miracles surround me, blessing and holiness abound. And You are near. Amen. A prayer for Daily Insight (Rabbi Naomi Levy)

So, as the leaves begin to fall from the trees and we feel the physical changes around us, take a moment to listen. To your children, your partner, your friends. Then, take a moment to listen to your own heart.

Wishing us all a season filled with the opportunity to feel gratitude.

Felice



A Message from our Director of Youth Engagement

The past month was a busy one for the Kol Ami 9th-12th graders. They were leading activities for the younger students in the gym during Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. A group of them: Sam Weiner, Becca Sparer, Sam Cole, Charles Gluck, Amalia Pass, and Matthew Welling, along with the Religious School's Assistant Director Pam Pass, built a Sukkah at the Elizabeth Seton Pediatric Center in Yonkers. Additionally, they have raised money for a Hurricane Relief Fund during the Sukkot Festival. These were fun and meaningful ways to start the year and I thank everyone who took part! I am writing this just days before we go on a Midnight Run to Manhattan to provide food and clothes to people in need.

The past month was also a time for me to meet some of you. I met with a congregant who speaks fluent Hebrew although she is not an Israeli. We had an interesting conversation about our congregation and Israel. I heard from some of you who have interesting ideas for our Youth Group and I want you to know that while we can't implement all of them, they are all valid and carefully considered. I have also met many of you in the halls or in the Sanctuary during Simchat Torah and hope we can continue our conversations soon. Please know that you are always welcome to visit me in my office anytime!

This past month also marked the first time Kol Ami hosted a meeting of the Westchester Keshet Group. Keshet is a nationwide youth Jewish LGBTQ organization that holds a monthly meeting here in Westchester. Our collaboration will continue throughout the year.

While the Jewish month of Cheshvan (the full name is Marcheshvan – which could mean “bitter Cheshvan”) holds no holidays, the month of November has an important date in it. Known as Kaf Tet BeNovember, November 29th 1947 is the day the United Nations declared the Partition Plan for Palestine. This year marks the 70th anniversary of that historic date and while preparing myself to celebrate Israel's upcoming big birthday (Israel's Independence Day is on 4/18/18) I keep thinking how much the young nation has achieved in those 70 years and how much more, in my view, is left for it to achieve. I am also thinking how to present Israel to my High School students in a way that shows its accomplishments while developing some critical thinking about some of its policies and realities.

Idan Santhaus

Around Kol Ami....



Our Sisterhood decorates our beautiful Sukkah



Food Pantry donations collected on Yom Kippur were overflowing!



Our Youth Group, along with Idan Santhaus, Pam Pass, and Paul Mauro, built and decorated a Sukkah for the Elizabeth Seton Pediatric Center in Yonkers



Around Kol Ami....



Sukkot and Simchat Torah were wonderful days
in the Religious School in October



If you take photos at Kol Ami Events
and would like to help us share them in The Connection,
we would love to hear from you! Please send photos to:
emilycampbell@nykolami.org

Synaplex Shabbat!



Friday, December 1st

All events are free and open
to the community with the
exception of Friday Dinner

5:00pm Explorations in Jewish Music
with Cantor David

5:30pm Shabbat in the Woods for
Young Children and Their Families
A service in story and song

6:00pm Unwind with Hors d'Oeuvres
and Friends

6:15pm Shabbat Services in
the Main Sanctuary

7:15pm Shabbat Dinner
(RESERVATIONS REQUIRED)

8:15pm Evening Programming
Keynote Speaker and
Activities for children and teens

9:15pm Evening Oneg
Relax at the end of a long day and
week with dessert and coffee

Join us for Keynote Speaker
Noble Prize Winner
Dr. Eric Kandel

"Memory and the Aging Brain"

Eric Kandel was born in Vienna, Austria, where he
lived until his family emigrated to New York in
1939 to escape the Nazi regime. Over his career he
has studied at Harvard University, and NYU
Medical School. Eric Kandel has been a professor at
Columbia University since 1974.

Dinner catered by the Award Winning Rye Roadhouse
with such comfort foods as house-made
meatloaf, mashed potatoes



with gravy, cornbread,
vegetarian stuffed cabbage,
and salad!

Clip and return this dinner reservation form
NO LATER THAN MONDAY, NOVEMBER. 20th
Congregation Kol Ami 252 Soundview Avenue, WP, NY 10606
To make reservations online go to: www.NYKolAmi.org/Synaplex

Shabbat Family Dinner

Adult Names: _____

#Adults ____ x\$25 = \$ _____

Children's Names and Ages: _____

#Children/Teens ____ x\$15 = \$ _____

#Children 5 and Under ____ = N/C

Phone Number: _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Email Address: _____

Please make checks out to: Congregation Kol Ami

Please add \$5 additional per person after November 20th

We are sorry, but we can not accomodate walk-ins

2017-18
Synaplex
Dates

November 3rd

December 1st

January 26th

February 9th

March 23rd

April 20th

May 4th

Check the
monthly
flyers for info
about each
Guest Speaker
and Dinner
Information

Kol Ami Sisterhood

Women of Reform Judaism



Co-Presidents Sheryl Brady, Rachel Eckhaus, Stacey Matusow

As I write this article, we are in the month of Cheshvan, which this year straddles October and November. Cheshvan is the only month on the Jewish calendar with no holiday, and 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 to make a change. Our **Wine and Wisdom** program, originally scheduled for November 4, has been rescheduled for January 20 (in the month of Shevat). But first we look forward to our Kislev programs. **The Sisterhood Holiday Shopping Spree** is taking place on Sunday, December 3 with more vendors and more variety; we invite your help and your shopping! Our **Latkes and Lattes** event will be held on Saturday, December 16 from 4 to 6 p.m.; please join us as we light the fifth candle of Chanukah and enjoy both latkes and lattes as we socialize.

And speaking of Chanukah, please make sure to stop by the Sisterhood's Judaica Shop. We have new stock and are featuring Chanukah items for your home and family.

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.

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

Change of date!
WINE and WISDOM
(originally scheduled for Nov. 4)

Has been CHANGED to
JANUARY 20

Please join us for Wine and Wisdom
on January 20
from 4 to 6 p.m.

Details to follow.

Social Action Tikkun Olam

Kol Ami Cares *Opportunities for Volunteering*



Providing endless opportunities for connection and caring in times of joy and in times of sorrow. We call bereaved families, help, lead or participate in shiva services for families in mourning, visit the sick and connect with the homebound. We also work to support the larger Westchester and world communities by knitting for our troops, preparing food for the hungry and through many other activities of mitzvot.

Several of our congregants no longer drive or have difficulty getting to services and special events. Kol Ami Cares maintains a database of members willing and able to provide transportation as needed. Offering a ride even once in a while is hugely appreciated. Also, within our Kol Ami community are older congregants who would welcome a visit in their homes. Many do not have family living nearby and would appreciate the company. Please join our growing list of members who spend time with our housebound congregants. (B'nai mitzvah students may choose this activity as a Mitzvah Project.)

In addition, Kol Ami Cares delivers meals to our members recovering from illness or surgery. We welcome anyone who can provide a meal for those unable to shop or cook for themselves or their families.

If you or anyone you know can benefit from our assistance, please contact us immediately. Thank you so much to our wonderful volunteers.

Betsy McCormack (betsymc@gmail.com)

Ginny Ruder (ginnyruder@gmail.com)

Social Action

Tikkun Olam

KOL AMI COOKS for THE OPEN ARMS MENS SHELTER

Want To Have Fun While Doing Good?

Laura Green and Steve Chistianson, our esteemed "Open Arms Men's Shelter" Kol Ami Cooks coordinators for 15 years, have happily retired to Florida! They have left the Monday Kol Ami Cooks to enthusiastic Kol Ami volunteers Myrna Barzelatto and Leslie Wiesen, who have moved the cooking day from Monday to Tuesday. Kol Ami members Ethel and Murray Shapiro are reprising their roles as 'the grocery shoppers'!

Volunteer cooks, men and women, are needed on Tuesdays, 11:30am – 1:00pm. To sign up or ask questions, please contact either Myrna at : mbarzel@aol.com, 914-403-7434 or Leslie at : lsw20@earthlink.net, 914-686-9516

Our well established Sunday Cooking for the Homeless Group under the leadership of Nancy Marcus, will also be continuing this year. Sundays 11:00am-1:00pm To sign on or ask questions, please contact: Nancy Marcus at larrymarcus@aol.com

Cooking will take place in the Kol Ami kitchen. All recipes have been provided.

You don't need to be a chef, but along with the willingness to have a good time, you will need to bring the following: a sharp knife, a cutting board, a towel and 2 pot holders.

The Cabin Group - Alcoholics Anonymous

Weekly (closed) Tuesday and Thursday meetings at 5:45 pm in the Schulman Chapel in the Woods

AL-ANON

Weekly (closed) meetings on Thursdays at 7:30pm in the Schulman Chapel in the Woods

Mitzvah Knitz

Together we'll knit afghans, caps for Israeli soldiers and more.
Meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 10:30 am

The Kol Ami Singers

Accompanied by Paul Schwarz, we sing at local nursing homes and assisted living facilities. Join us as we bring a little sunshine to the residents and make a difference in their lives. For information, call Murray Shapiro 914-946-7789
Wednesday November 8th @ 2:30 PM
The Martine Center
(Formerly Schnurmacher Nursing Home)
12 Tibbits Ave
White Plains, NY 10606



Kol Ami Food Pantry Hours

Kol Ami Food Pantry is open to serve our congregants, staff and guests of both.

The Pantry is located in the entrance of our gymnasium

and is open Tuesdays 9:30am-11:00am, and also

Thursdays 6:00pm - 7:30pm & Sundays 9:30am - 10:30am by appointment

. Gift cards, private ordering and delivery is also available. For information, gift cards, private ordering/delivery contact Jess Lorden, 914-949-4717 ext. 101.

Social Action Tikkun Olam

Coachman Corner

Spreading Tikum Olam in our Community



Simon Worth along with members of the Lion's Heart service club helped keep the children entertained.

The October birthday party was a success thanks to another great collaboration. Party sponsors were Lisa Hochman and Nora Groban. Rachel and Jodi Klein organized a pumpkin decoration craft project and made beautiful cards for each birthday child and goody bags for all the partygoers. Spencer Danzig and Danny Bernstein from Backyard Sports led the games. Many thanks for to all who participated!

There are many, many ways to participate in the Coachman Birthday Party Project. Contact Lisa or Alison if you would like to learn more.

Lisahochman@mac.com
aadler3@verizon.net



Rachel Klein invited friends to lead the crafts activity

Adult Education

Gather and Study

Mussar Classes

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.

Facilitated by Rabbi Pamela Wax, Spiritual Care Coordinator, WJCS. Please contact Rabbi Wax at pwax@wjcs.com or 914-761-0600 x. 149 to register.

Mondays 12:30-2:00pm, next meeting on November 6th

Fee for Kol Ami Members: \$72

Fee for Non-Members \$100

Women in Transition

Are you experiencing/anticipating some of life's changes.

Please join us in an interactive discussion group.

Topics to be discussed include but are not limited to: retirement, aging, down sizing, relationships with adult children, health/well being and other life transitions.

If you are interested in joining the group
please contact Sheila Sturmer at

sturmersheila@gmail.com or 914-391-1227

*Meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month 11:30am-1:00pm,
next meeting on November 14th*

Women's Roundtable Breakfast

Join Kol Ami's remarkable, multigenerational women for learning and friendship with Rabbi Shira Milgrom.

*Meets the 1st Wednesday of the month,
upcoming on Nov. 1st, and December 6th*

Wisdom of the Sages

Lively discussions of the world and our lives based on some of the most provocative and fascinating texts of Jewish learning, with Rabbi Tom Weiner.

*Meets on Thursdays 11:00am-12:00pm
November 2nd, 9th, 16th, and 30th*

Jewish Mindful Meditation

Newcomers are always welcome! Join us in learning mindful meditation, a practice of training the mind and the heart so that we can live with greater clarity, acceptance, and connection. No meditation experience necessary. Led by Ruth Rosenblum, LCSW, certified meditation teacher, and the WJCS Partners-in-Caring clinician for Kol Ami.

*Meets Thursdays from 9:30-10:45am
November, 2nd, 9th, 16th, and 30th*

Ruth Rosenblum, LCSW, is our Partners-in-Caring liason from Westchester Jewish Community Services, one of the largest social services agencies in Westchester. WJCS, a non-secretarian agency, provides a wide variety of psychosocial programs and services to children, adults, families, and special populations in our Westchester community.

Programs include:

Geriatric Care: management and other senior programs

Jewish Spiritual Healing Center: services for individual and families facing serious illness

The Autism Center: residences for developmentally disabled adults

Center Lane: a center for the LGBT community.... and much, much more

As our congregation's liaison to WJCS, Ruth (an experienced clinical social worker and psychotherapist) can assist synagogue members in assessing and meeting challenging life situations by providing counseling, accessing needed resources and making appropriate referrals. Ruth can be reached at rosenblum@wjcs.com or at 914-761-0600 ext. 148)

Adult Education

Gather and Study

Israel in the News with David Gravitz

Each session will feature in-depth discussion of news items regarding Israel, both within Israel and regarding Israel's relations with other countries and with diaspora Jewry. History and geography will be featured where appropriate and occasionally guest speakers, both from within and outside Kol Ami, will be invited.

*Meets every other Wednesday from 7:30-8:45pm,
November 1st, 15th, and 29th*

Current Events with Beth & Gene Kava

Each session will provide participants an opportunity for in-depth examination of a current issue of the day.

Participants will examine issues, through various perspectives, using readings, video, or a guest speaker.

*Meets every other Monday from 11:00am - 12:30pm,
November 13th, and 27th*

Kol Ami Book Club

Meets the first Wednesday of every month throughout the year. Come whether you've read the book or not; the discussion is always lively. For more information contact Doris Dingott 914-289-0869 or DLDingott@gmail.com

*Meets the 1st Wednesday of the month at 9:15am in Room 20
next meeting on November 1st*

The Sephardic Experience

We will look at this remarkable history through the eyes of many of the people who lived it, including using the book "The Jews of Spain, a History of the Sephardic Experience" by Jane Gerber

*Meets Mondays 7:30pm on
November 13th, 20th, and 27th.*

Parenting Teens 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 and separation.

With Susan Davis, LCSW.

*Meets the 1st Thursday of the Month at Noon,
upcoming on November 2nd, and December 7th*

Grandparenting Workshops

Exploring inter-generational experience and Jewish wisdom as we share the challenges and opportunities of grandparenting, with Susan Davis, LCSW.

*Meets the 1st Monday of the Month at 9:15am,
upcoming on November 6th, and December 1st*

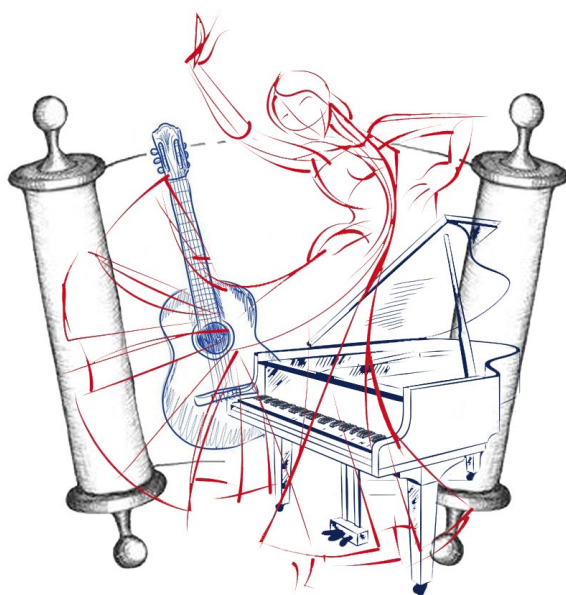
Fun and Games!

Mah Jongg

Wednesdays at 10:30am in
the Kol Ami Atrium

Please email Betsy McCormack
at Betsyrmc@gmail.com
for more information

The Arts at Kol Ami



Join Cantor David for
Explorations in
Jewish Music
at 5:00pm on
Synaplex Shabbats



November 3rd

William Schimmel

International Virtuoso Accordionist

Performing Classical, Tango, Jazz, Klezmer
Music by Jewish Composers and with Sephardic Themes
Offenbach, Gershwin, Kurt Weill, Schimmel Realities

No admission fee

Kabbalat Shabbat Service follows this music program at 6:15 pm



December 1st

Nicolas Duchamp

International Virtuoso Flutist

Denise Koncelik, piano

Explorations of French Flute Music by Jewish Composers
Kreisler, Godard, Gaubert, Doppler, Glanzberg

No admission fee

Kabbalat Shabbat Service follows this music program at 6:15 pm



Join us on Sunday, November 19th as we host our
4th Annual Thanksgiving Dinner for
Families residing at the Coachman Family Center.

We need your help with:
KITCHEN PREP
SET UP & STAGING
GREETING GUESTS
CRAFTS & GAMES
DINNER SERVICE
CLEAN UP

Together, WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Let's put our Kol Ami values into action and give our
Coachman friends reason to feel thankful.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact:

Alison Adler at: aadler3@verizon.net

646-483-4657

Lisa Hochman at: lisahochman@mac.com

914-834-1555

Recipe for a Happy New Year
By Susan Ross

1/3 LOYALTY
1/3 COMPASSION
1/3 HUMOR

BEGIN: with devotion and dedication to one's Judaic ideals
MIX: with care and concern for those needing food, shelter, and clothing
TOP: with the ability to laugh at one's foibles

BAKE: with kindness and consideration for everyone
SERVE: with generous portions of love and support for all time

SHANAH TOVAH WITH LOVE

Life Cycles

Congratulations

- ✧ To Robbie and Andy Seidman on the birth of their grandson, Owen Jackson Sanchez
- ✧ To Barbara Wexler on the birth of her grandson, Evan Joshua Schacher
- ✧ To Ernestina Sanchez on the birth of her grandson, Joey Zhingri Sanchez

Condolences

- ✧ Lowell Schulman
- ✧ To Dr. Ellen Umansky on the death of her sister, Myrna Umansky Levy

Generous Contributions

Rabbi Shira Milgrom's Discretionary Fund

- ✧ In memory of Richard Sarna, from Ellen Sarna
- ✧ In honor of your return and your good health, from Mattie Goldenberg Abler
- ✧ In appreciation, from Steven Christianson and Laura Green
- ✧ In appreciation of Dr. Neil Roth and his wonderful medical support, from Bonnie Katz
- ✧ In appreciation of your support, from Leslie and George Akst
- ✧ In appreciation and in honor of Jason's baby naming, from Danielle and Adam Gecht
- ✧ In memory of her aunt, Mimi Feinberg, from Carol and Norman Greenberg
- ✧ In appreciation, from David Lefkowitz and Julie Persily
- ✧ In honor of the wedding of Nancy and Steve Kohn, from Nancy Petschek-Kohn

Rabbi Tom Weiner's Discretionary Fund

- ✧ In appreciation and support of the youth program, from Betsy and Stanley Weiner
- ✧ In honor of the wedding of Scott Zuckerman and Autumn Bagwell, from Janet and Joseph Zuckerman
- ✧ In appreciation from David Lefkowitz and Julie Persily
- ✧ In honor of the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Rachel, from Jodie and Howard Klein

Cantor David's Discretionary Fund

- ✧ In honor of the Bat Mitzvah of our daughter, Rachel, from Howard and Jodie Klein
- ✧ In appreciation and in memory of Tema Kaufman, from Julie and Peter Kaufman

Synaplex Circle

- ✧ Judith and Steven Rieger

Biennial Fund

- ✧ The Bachmann Strauss Family Foundation
- ✧ In honor of Lisa Borowitz, from Jean and Hank Rouda

Generous Contributions

Adult Education Fund

✧ In loving memory of Mimi Feinberg, from Barbara and Stan Selbst

Fund for the Needy

✧ In honor of Myrna Barzelatto's, "Special Birthday", from Jess and Dave Lorden

✧ In honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Gabriella Arovas, daughter of Susan Kohn Arovas and Greg Arovas, from Patty and Bert Wohl,

✧ In honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Gabriella Arovas, daughter of Susan Kohn Arovas and Greg Arovas,
from Lisa Hochman & Kevin Worth

✧ In honor of the B'nai Mitzvah of Jeremy and Eliot Adler, sons of Alison and Andrew Adler, from Barbara and William Fischer

Kol Ami Fund

✧ In loving memory of Lowell M. Schulman, from Barbara and Ira A. Lipman

✧ In honor of the birth of our grandson, Owen Jackson Sanchez, from Robbie and Andy Seidman

✧ In honor of Roberta and Richard (Rich) Lowell, from Dr. and Mrs. Sheldon Alter

✧ In appreciation of Talia Rothschild, from Carol Rothschild

✧ In loving memory of Tema Kaufman, from Sharon and Irving Picard

✧ In loving memory of Mimi Feinberg, from Bob and Katharine Gravino

✧ In honor of the birth of Evan Joshua Schacher, grandson of Barbara Wexler, from Julie and Ron Carran

✧ In loving memory of Sheril Metz, grandfather of Dani Dollinger, from Dani and Joshua Dollinger

✧ In loving memory of Bernard Linn, from Frances Linn

✧ In honor of Larry and Nancy Marcus, from Lori Dver

✧ In loving memory of Myrna Umansky Levy, sister of Dr. Ellen Umansky, from Judy and Jeff Gelfand

✧ In loving memory of William Stern, father of Janet Ackerman, from Janet and Mark Ackerman

✧ In loving memory of Fred Weisberg, from Madge and Tom Conway

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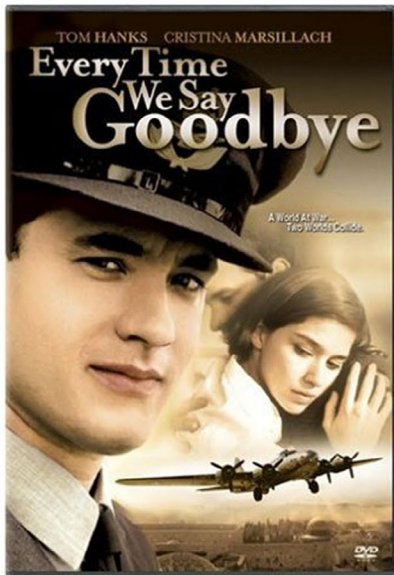
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Kol Ami's Winter Film Festival Monday, November 6th at 7:30pm



The film will be:
"Every Time We Say Goodbye"
with Tom Hanks
and Cristina Marsillach

An American flyboy serving in the Royal Air Force during WWII recovers from his injuries in Jerusalem where he meets a beautiful Sephardic Jew

FREE ADMISSION AND OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY

Congregation Kol Ami BOOK FAIR November 12-17, 2017

Hours	
Sunday	8:30AM -11:30AM
Monday	8:30AM-4:15PM
Tuesday	8:30AM-5:15PM
Wednesday	8:30AM-6:00PM
Thursday	8:30AM-9:00PM
Friday	8:30AM-12:00PM

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Kol Ami Book Fair Schedule of Events



Sunday, November 12th - 8:30-11:30AM

Opening Day! Cider and donuts served.

Monday, November 13th - 11:30 AM -12:30 PM

Story time and crafts with Clifford



Tuesday, November 14th - 4:00-5:00 PM

Author Reading: Jason Carter Eaton

"How to Train a Train," "The Catawampus Cat" & more.

Wednesday, November 15th - 8:30-9:00 AM

Author Reading: Allison Oppenheim

"Princesses Wear Pants"



Wednesday, November 15th - 9:15-10:00 AM

Parent Workshop: True Freedom Life Coaching

led by Jennifer Peterson, Certified Life Coach

Thursday, November 16th - 9:15-10:00 AM

Parent Workshop: Troubleshooting Toddler Sleep

led by Lauren Lappen co-founder of Wee Sleep Solutions



Friday, November 17th - 8:30-9:00 AM

Shabbat Story Time and Breakfast Treat

FAMILY CHANUKAH PARTY AND LEGO NIGHT



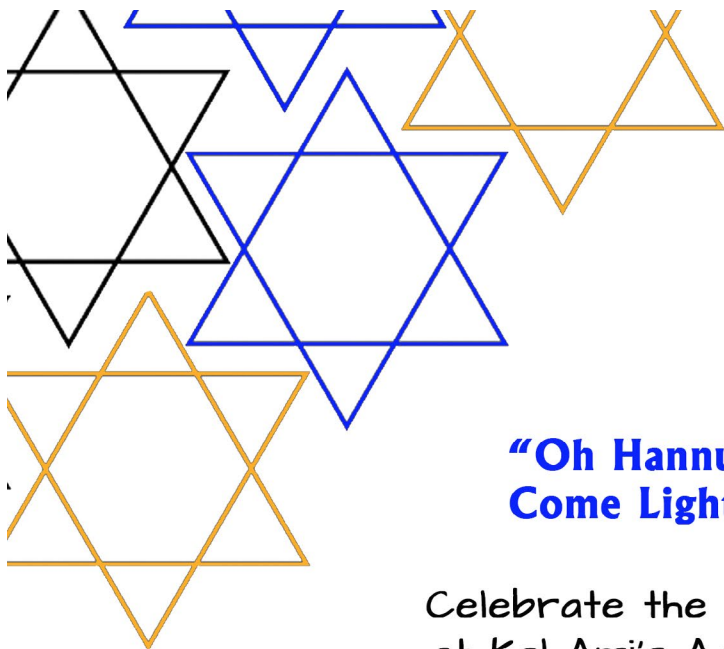
SAVE THE DATE!!!!
Friday, December 15th
at 7:15pm
following Shabbat Services

**Join us as we build together a
14 foot tall menorah out of Legos!**
Led by Stephen W. Schwartz of "Building Blocks Workshop"



**Children must be accompanied
by at least one adult.**
Dinner and latkes will be served





**"Oh Hannukah, Oh Hannukah
Come Light the Menorah...."**

Celebrate the "light" of the holiday
at Kol Ami's Adult Hannukah Party

**Monday, December 18th, 2017
6:30pm
in The Gallery at Kol Ami**

Enjoy a special Menorah lighting, Hannukah dinner,
and Gift Grab Bag!

Come and bring a family member or friend!

\$27per person RSVP by December 8th

#30per person RSVP after December 8th

Grab Bag - Please bring a wrapped item for \$10 or less,
it may be a "re-gifted" item if you choose

If you have a menorah that you would like to light,
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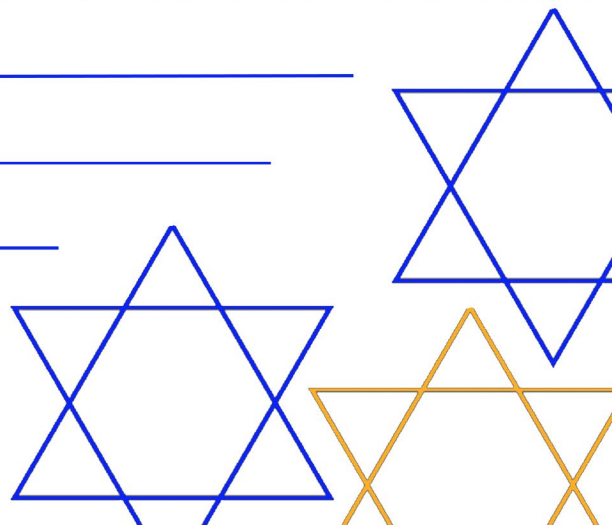
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Westchester Temple Youth Choirs

Celebrate CHANUKAH

Sunday, December 10, 2017

4:00 PM

Larchmont Temple
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Featured Choirs:

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\$3,100 (Scholarship is available,
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*Join Rabbi Tom and Idan Santhaus, Director of Youth Engagement, along with
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Congregation Kol Ami

252 Soundview Avenue, White Plains, NY 10606

Sunday, December 3rd, 2017
9am-3pm

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handmade crafts, skincare, candles,
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and much, much more!

*Take care of all of your holiday shopping needs
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Mark Your Calendar! for the Kol Ami Blood Drive
Sunday, December 17, 2017
8:30am-2:30pm 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 at least 110 pounds. People over 75 can 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.

Blood Drive Chairman David Klein

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

"Whoever saves a life, as it saves an entire world." Mishna Sanhedrin

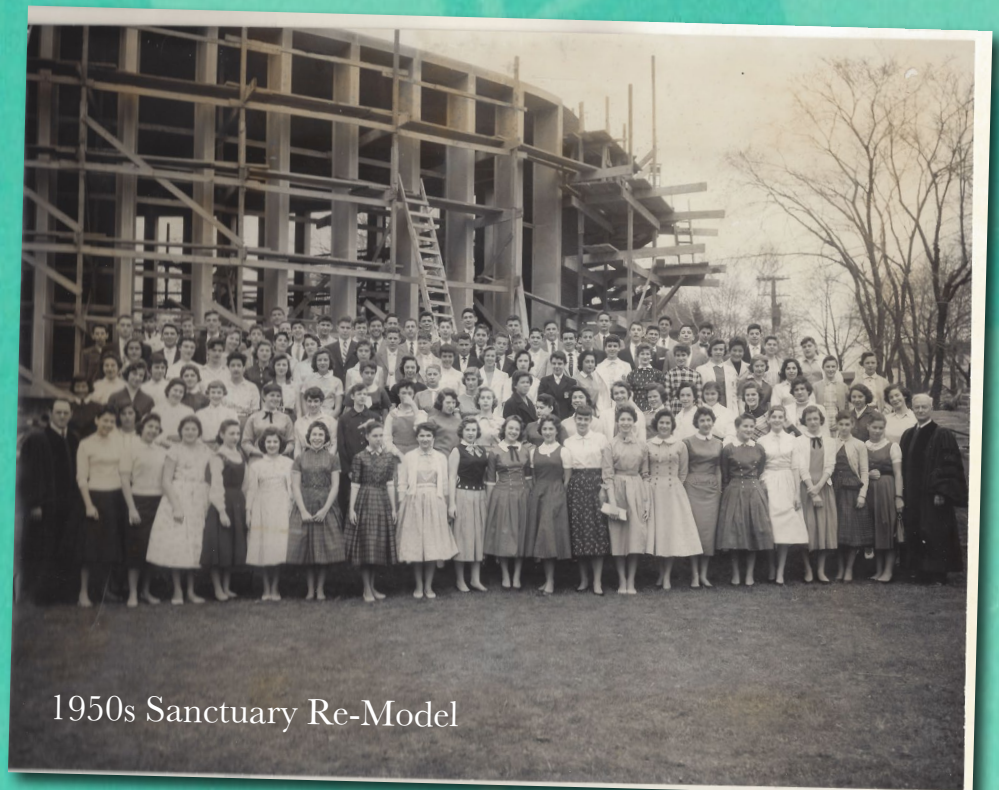
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“I’m not wealthy. I’m comfortable. But, I ’m not in a financial position to make a gift to an endowment. Of course Kol Ami has been there for me and my family for holidays, inspiration, life milestones, in times of sadness and of happiness. Kol Ami has enriched my life and my family in innumerable ways. So yes, I’d like to know Kol Ami will be in the community for other generations. I really would like to be able to contribute to Kol Ami’s future financial stability, but my family has to come first.”

“Absolutely! However, maybe you are not aware that you can do both . You can make Congregation Kol Ami a beneficiary with a ‘bequest’ : there is no minimum amount of money for a bequest! The Legacy Fund will be made up of many gifts of different sizes and that is key: not what you give, but that you give. Also, a gift will be a tangible reminder to your family and friends of the values you care about, your personal legacy. Just think about it...”

To explore the ways you can make a planned gift to The Kol Ami Legacy Fund, contact Evelyne Klein at 914-761-7659, aspencup@aol.com or Judi Brown at 646-206-4547, gojustjudi@gmail.com.



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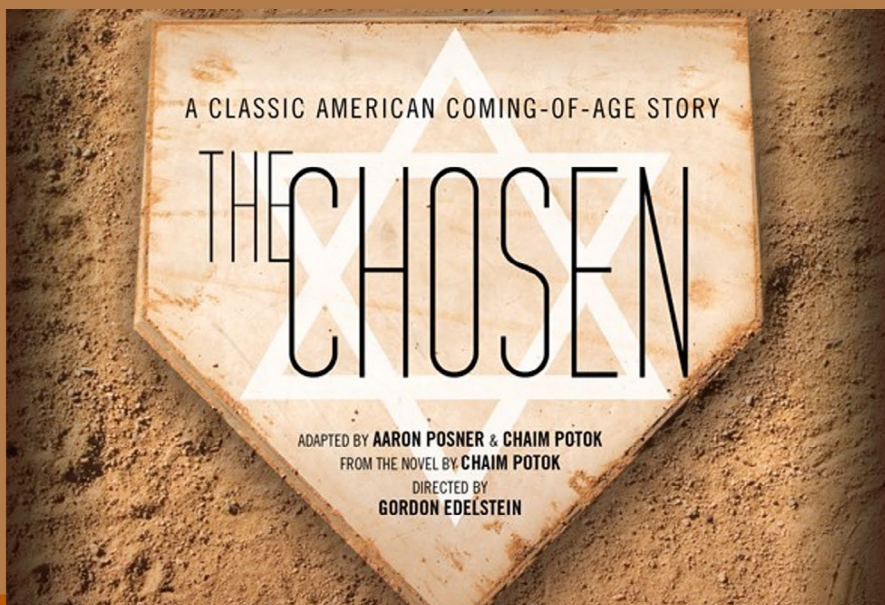
The Long Wharf Theatre
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AT 3PM

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Kol Ami's, George Guidall Shapiro, Starring in The Chosen!

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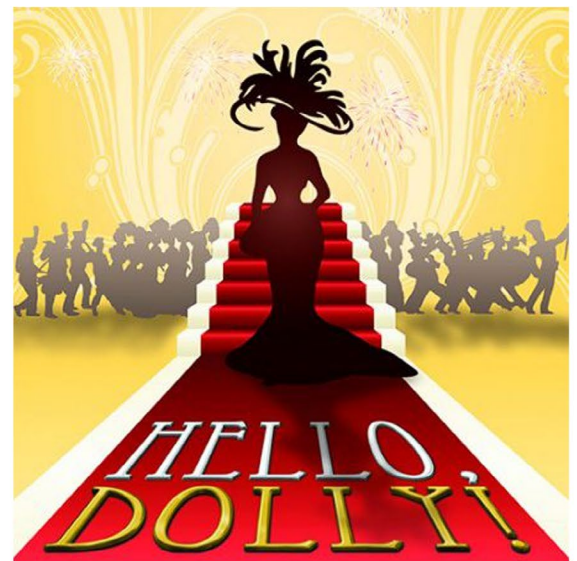
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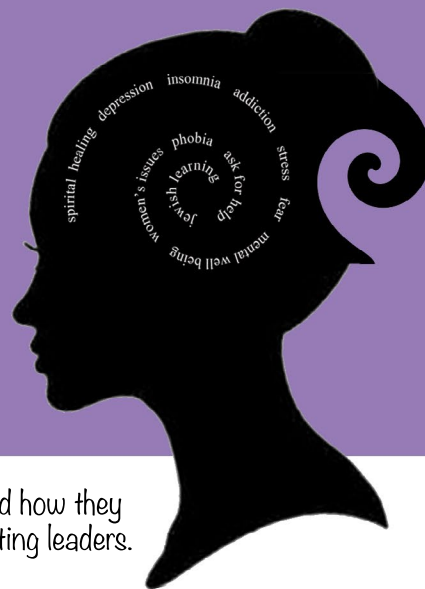
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GETTING IN TOUCH WITH MENTAL HEALTH THROUGH A JEWISH LENS WE CONTINUE...



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Tuesday, October 17, 2017

7:30-9:30 p.m. at the home of Rabbi Shira Milgrom

Rabbi Shira Milgrom and Kathleen Pike, PhD Director
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Program at Columbia University

A conversation that will cover

*"The Toxic Triecta of Women, Food, and Body Image" --
food relationships at home, in the community and around the world.*

Sunday, December 17, 2017

9:15-11:00 am. at the Schulman Chapel in the Woods

Laurence Magro, MBA, MS, LMHC
Psychotherapist and Mindfulness Educator
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*Introduction to Mindfulness – enhancing well-being and
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Incorporating mindfulness into daily life.*

Tuesday, February 6, 2018

7:30-9:30 p.m. at the home of Jill Abraham

Laurence Magro, MBA, MS, LMHC

*The Role of Self-Compassion in Mindfulness Practice—
knowing what self-compassion is and is not,
cultivating and practicing self-compassion
to find a more peaceful and balanced life.*

Tuesday, April 10, 2018

7:30-9:30 pm. at the home of Lauri Carey

Rabbi Pamela Wax, Spiritual Care Coordinator, WJCS

When Blood No Longer Binds:

Talking about Family Estrangement—

*Using Jewish sacred and secular literature as the backdrop, we will
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☐ Four sessions \$60 (Individual sessions \$18)

☐ Session 1: Tuesday, October 17, 2017

☐ Session 3: Tuesday, February 6, 2018

☐ Session 2: Sunday, December 17, 2017

☐ Session 4 Tuesday, April 10, 2018

For further information contact

Jill Abraham 472-5806 or jill.sa2@verizon.net Lauri Carey 472-8076 or lauricarey@hotmail.com



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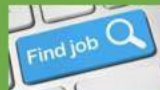
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