“Kol Rinah embodies the new spirit of Conservative Judaism in the Midwest. It radiates the joy of worship, learning and Jewish music both in and out – into our souls and out to the families, friends and community. Come pray, learn, sing and celebrate with us.” Let’s all join our voices together to bring joy to our new congregation!

**Smile, You're on Kol Rinah Camera!**

Kol Rinah is getting ready to create our first Kol Rinah Photo Directory, and we need your “smiles” to make it complete! Each person or family who participates will receive a Free Photo Directory and a Complimentary 8 x 10 portrait. There will also be the opportunity to purchase additional portraits for relatives, friends, and loved ones. Feel free to invite grandparents and other family members/loved ones to join your portrait sitting. Portraits make wonderful gifts and treasured family keepsakes! Our Kol Rinah photo directory won't be the same without you! Schedule your appointment today!

Sign up for your photo session in two convenient ways:

1. Schedule your appointment online at our website, http://www.kolrinahstl.org/photo-directory/.
2. Or for assistance, call Linda Makler at 636.391.9965 (golchamp@aol.com) or the office at 314.727.1747. We will be happy to help you.

**The days, dates and times of the photo sessions are:**

- Monday, December 9 from 2pm - 9pm
- Tuesday, December 10 from 2pm - 9pm
- Wednesday, December 11 from 2pm - 9pm
- Thursday, December 12 from 2pm - 9pm
- Sunday, December 15 from 1pm - 8pm
- Monday, December 16 from 2pm - 9pm

**Place an Ad and Make a Kol Rinah Connection**

Our Kol Rinah directory will also include personal and business ads. An ad is a perfect opportunity to show your support for our new community and let our community support your business. Whether you’re advertising your business or taking out a personal ad to celebrate our new shul, honor a loved one, or celebrate a simcha, our staff and volunteers will make the process simple and can craft the ad for you. All you need to do is let us know you’re interested, and we’ll do the rest.

Examples of ads and a printed ad form are on page 8 & 9. You can also fill out an ad form online at our website, http://www.kolrinahstl.org/photo-directory/
I graduated from Hebrew school on a Friday night. The synagogue was packed. But they weren’t there because of the graduation. It happened to be June 9, 1967 – the fifth day of the Six-Day War. Two days earlier, the Israelis had taken Jerusalem… Jews were praying freely at the Kotel for the first time in 1,900 years. And a fierce battle had begun that day between the Israeli Defense Forces and the Syrian army on the Golan Heights. By the next day, the Golan was in Israeli hands and the war was over.

In 1973, a great many IDF soldiers in the tank corps lost their lives on these mountains when the Syrians attacked on Yom Kippur afternoon. Our guide on our recent Kol Rinah Israel trip was in the IDF reserves at the outbreak of that war. He walked into his parents’ synagogue and kissed his mother goodbye; his father was the Hazzan and was in the middle of the Amidah, so he could not be interrupted.

On our first trip to Israel, in 1992, Alice and I visited the Golan Heights – we drove through the minefields and stood high atop the mountains looking down on the Galilee and Lebanon. And we saw Benjamin Netanyahu standing and speaking with someone while gesturing towards the vulnerable Israeli communities at the base of the Golan, no doubt explaining why Israel could not possibly give back this strategically critical territory.

Last month, ten of us visited the Golan. We stopped at Israel’s largest winery. We visited a factory that transforms olives into a staggering array of edibles and cosmetics. We visited a scenic overlook – and looked over at Syria and out at Lebanon and down on northern Israel. We experienced how Israel has transformed a barren war zone into a productive, beautiful, and secure place.

What I experienced on this trip was the miracle of what our Israeli cousins have created. From a JNF-created bird sanctuary where hundreds of thousands of birds stop to eat and rest in their twice-annual migrations between Asia and Africa (only Panama has more birds), to schoolchildren in Yokneam (St. Louis’ sister-city), to the thriving Jewish communities of Gush Emunim, to the dozens of museums and archaeological excavations (our history), to remarkable industrial parks that give us a glimpse into our creative and dynamic future, and so much more.

Certainly, Israel is not Eden; it faces many serious challenges. In his latest book, The Promise of Israel, Daniel Gordis acknowledges Israel’s difficulties while making a strong case for the importance of an explicitly Jewish nation-state. He writes:

The idea of a state for a particular ethnicity strikes many people as problematic, immoral, and contrary to the progress that humanity has made in recent decades. The idea of a state meant to promote the flourishing of one particular people, with one particular religion at its core—a state created with the specific goal of Jewish revival and flourishing—strikes many people as worse than an antiquated idea. It sounds racist, bigoted, or oppressive of minorities [p. 6].

Later, he writes:

What is at issue between Israel and the international community is whether ethnic and national diversity ought to be encouraged and promoted. Israel has something to say about the importance of human difference that is at odds with the prevailing attitudes in the world today. It is a country that insists that people thrive and flourish most when they live in societies in which their language, their culture, their history, and their sense of purpose are situated at the very center of public life [p. 11].

Rabbi Gordis’ thesis is expressed in the prayer with which we conclude most services, Aleinu. The first paragraph celebrates our particularity: she-lo asanu ke-goyei ha-aratzot, ve-lo samanu ke-mishpechot ha-adamah, she-lo sam chelkeinu ka-hem ve-goraleinu ke-khol ha-monam – “For God has not made us as the nations of the lands, nor situated us like the

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From Our President

Sue Cort  President@kolrinahstl.org

Kol Rinah, USCJ and the Conversation of the Century

Mazel Tov Kol Rinah and USCJ! Both organizations have important reasons to celebrate.

Kol Rinah officially became a new congregation on July 1, 2013.

The United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, with which Kol Rinah is affiliated, is marking its 100th anniversary.

Just as our members have been having important and meaningful conversations about the future of Kol Rinah, the USCJ is having important conversations about the future of Conservative Judaism.

USCJ met in Baltimore in mid October to have “The Conversation of the Century.” Actually it was many conversations, and Steve Keyser, Marsha Birenbaum, Harriet Shanas and I did our best to be present at and participating in as many of the conversations as we could during the long weekend.

Many of the videos and speeches at the meeting will be posted on our web page, and I encourage you to go to the site to see them.

What I found encouraging about the “conversations” was the overall goal of renewing and shaping the Conservative “movement” by adapting strategies to be implemented for contemporary Jews.

Here are the titles of just a few of the sessions:

“Putting Down the Siddur and Starting to Pray”
“The Lost Tribes of Israel in China, Japan and India”

“Innovate” presented by Dr. Erica Brown – about organizational creativity

“50 Shades of Growth: Engaging the Hearts and Souls of 20s and 30s”

“Face to Facebook: Dialogue About Judaism in the Digital Age”

“Civilly Unionized, Domestically Partnered, Married: Adam and Eve Meet Adam and Steve”

“Technology and Engaging Families: It’s Not About Getting Them in the Door Anymore”

In addition, modern Jewish thought leaders Dr. Ron Wolfson, Rabbi Hayim Herring, Rabbi Sid Schwartz, and Rabbi Bradley Shavit Artson and many more experts led programs and addressed the convention attendees at plenary sessions.

To sum it all up; there is much work to do and much to look forward to. Kol Rinah as a “new” congregation is at a uniquely pivotal point to become an extraordinary and energized community of Jews.

Please look elsewhere in the bulletin for more information about Kol Rinah.

B’Shalom

Susan Cort

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Mazal Tov Kol Rinah!

December Birthdays


December Anniversaries

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Rolf & Shelby Cooke
David & Sue Cort
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Michael & Nancy Drake
Louis & Roberta Fine
Terry & Jerrold Goldenhersh
Ralph & Mimi Graff
Tony & Carole Granillo
Howard & Jodi Granok
Don & Suzanne Joly
Merwyn & Maxine Kalina
Jack & Arleen Kerman
Jeffrey & Julie Lazaroff
Joseph & Gayle Levy
Charles & Cheryl Mallin
Marvin & Ginger Marcus
Robert & Joyce Olshan
Gary & Jeanie Olshansky

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Chanukah is in full-swing and, if you haven’t signed up for our Chanukah dinner event on December 3, there may be space available. After dinner, Alice Fasman will provide us with a Chanukah program.

Not that I’m biased, but I would always recommend that you choose a Sisterhood Kiddush for any simcha you celebrate. If you would like to find out more, please contact suemeryl@charter.net.

On that subject, we acknowledge and thank those who did celebrate their simcha on Shabbat with a Sisterhood Kiddush recently:

@ Julia and Joe Iken and their family in celebration of her 90th birthday.
@ Joe and Beth Levy in celebration of their 30th wedding anniversary.
@ Josh and Becky Shimony in honor of their daughter Hope’s bat mitzvah.

And on December 7:
@ Debbie Chase and Eric Schneider are sponsoring a Sisterhood Kiddush in honor of their daughter Rachel’s bat mitzvah.

Our Membership drive is well underway, and I would like to thank our current members who have already sent in checks; I also want to thank all the new ladies who have joined the Sisterhood. We appreciate your support and value every membership.

Torah Fund Campaign. When you receive your Torah Fund campaign information, please send in your pledge and/or your check. Remember, this is our way of helping the Conservative seminaries continue to provide excellent leaders.

More Save-the-Dates:
January 18, 2014 - Women’s League Shabbat
March 1, 2014 - Joint Sisterhood/Men’s Club Trivia Night (see below)
March 30, 2014 - Torah Fund Luncheon

Trivia Night – 3/1/2014
As the date nears, Sisterhood will need your help, as we join with the Men’s Club, in planning the event. We will be looking for sponsors, soliciting individual donations, organizing volunteers for score keeping, selling raffle tickets between games, staffing soft drink tables, and other tasks. We look forward to working again with the Men’s Club on this fundraiser, and we’d like to make this one the best ever. Burton Boxerman, once again, is hard at work putting together the best categories and questions.

The 8th and last candle for Chanukah should be lit on Wednesday evening, December 4, and the holiday ends at sundown, Thursday, December 5. If you need a last minute Chanukah item, our gift shop is happy to help.

As we approach the end of 2013, I wish you all a happy 2014.

Thank you to Congregants
I want to thank the Anonymous donor who sent a tribute to the Faye Keyser Memorial Seudah Fund in honor of my birthday.

Jackie Fenster

Thank you to all of my dear friends at Kol Rinah for your thoughtful expressions of sympathy.

Bea Borenstein

Condolences to the Loved Ones of...
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Leatrice Novit
Sheila Radman
Dr. Philip Greiver
Dolores Safran
Saul Silvermintz

Celebrate with a Sisterhood Kiddush!

Please keep us in mind when you celebrate a Simcha… a Bar or Bat Mitzvah, an auf ruf, an anniversary, a birthday, a new baby, or any other occasion.

All profits from our kiddushes go to the shul in many different ways, including USY, Religious School, the ECC, Jewish summer camp scholarships, general operating funds of the Synagogue, and maintenance of the kitchens and all equipment.

For more information, contact Sue Propper at suemeryl@charter.net or 314.395.1349.
We’ll be glad you did. Thank you.
Men, this month you'll be receiving an invitation to join Kol Rinah's Men's Club. Thank you for those who have already joined. We are initiating a number of new engaging programs that you will find stimulating and appealing to all of your senses. Please don't forget to send in your dues so you can be a part of our mission to involve Jewish Men in Jewish Life. We will continue developing programming that better connects people of all ages to our Jewish community, and we hope to form a community with meaningful long-lasting relationships based on camaraderie, common interests and core values.

We are continuing our Toasting Talmud and Torah, which everyone is invited to and is held every third Shabbat in the Sara Meyers room after services (about 12:30pm). Marcus Brody will continue stimulating our intellect and spirituality on Dec. 21st as we continue to discuss Torah and Talmud subjects beginning with Olam Habah (the world to come).

We will be having elections of officers for Kol Rinah on December 8th at the Men's Club General Meeting at 9:30am. Please let Bob Olshan or Don Pearline know if you'd like to be an officer or on the Men's Club Board of Directors. We really would like your participation to help make our men's club engaging for all.

Last month was a great month with two new programs. We had a very successful Sushi and Saki Shabbat program where in addition to a delicious Sushi dinner, we were privileged to hear (Professor) Marvin Marcus discuss Japan: Night thoughts of a Jewish Japanologist: Reflections of nearly four decades spent potshke-ing around the Orient, largely by occident. It was fun. It was unique. It was community. It was Kol Rinah! Yasher Koach! to all those who helped prepare, deliver and attend.

The second new program was our first Kol Rinah Bike Ride, which we plan to make an annual event sponsored by the Men's Club.

Upcoming Men's Club Programs:
Jan TBD- Make your own Tefillin - KRRS 4th graders
Jan TBD- Sports Night
2 Feb - World Wide Wrap
16 Feb - Hearing Men's Voices (7 PM)
22 Mar - Men's Club Ruach Shabbat (with B'hai Amoona and Chicago FJMC folks)
23 Mar - Men's Club Man and Youth of the Year Luncheon & FJMC Workshop
before 28 Apr - Remember a Child - Yellow Candle - Yom Hashoah Program
17 or 18 May - Lag B'Omer Extravaganza
  - Bonfire, Belt Café, Gourmet Coffee & Chocolate
June - Shavout Keruv Program- Dinner and Tikun

Slate of incoming nominees for Kol Rinah Board of Directors

Directors to serve three year term
Dana Emmeneggar, Mindy Horowitz, Gina Bernstein, Stephanie Berk, Jim Singman, Mike Greenfield, Marcus Brody, Esti Goldman

Vice Presidents to serve 1 year term
Randi Mozenter, Al Leving

Election will be Sunday, December 15

Share a Haftarah With Us!

Do you know or want to learn a Haftarah or read part of a Torah portion? We can help.

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Torah & Haftarah Trope lessons available.

Phyllis Hyken
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Linda Makler
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Many thanks to the KRRS Staff, families and students for your warm welcome and support as I have come on board. November was filled with many things: good learning activities in our classes; Educator’s Fair for the teaching staff; Yom Limmud for our students; B’nai Mitzvah seminars for families led by Tasha K.; the 4th/5th grade Shabbaton held at B’nai Amoona; T’fillah on Wednesday afternoons; latkes on a Sunday; visits from our young Israeli teachers who come to us through Sherut Leumi (Mali, Moriya, Tamar and Roni); and, of course, Thanksgivukkah!

As Cindy Becker and I continue to put plans in place, watch your e-mails for:

- A Family Hanukkah Celebration on Wednesday, December 4th beginning at 5:30. Everyone is invited to celebrate the 7th night of Hanukkah with KRRS, USY, and Noar. Our evening will begin with everyone lightening their own menorah, and singing songs. Children will enjoy participating in the dreidel spin-off and working on a social action project. Of course, there will be yummy latkes and sufganiyot to eat. If you have questions, please contact Tasha Kaminsky at tasha@kolrinahstl.org.

- Consecration for Gan students and their families on Saturday, December 14 at Shabbat service. This annual event honors our kindergarten students who are beginning their Jewish education at Kol Rinah. Parents and students will come together on the bimah for a special blessing under the Kol Rinah Religious School chuppah. If your child in first grade was not part of this ceremony last year, please contact Cindy Becker, cindy@kolrinahstl.org.

- Mifgash Shabbat dates for our KRRS families and students. (Our first date is December 14.)

- Sessions for MaHaKesher? (“What’s the Connection?”) This program, funded by a Crown Grant, is designed for making connections with our Jewish cultural heritage and Israel through such activities as art, music, dancing and food (of course!)

Please help us keep lines of communication open by:
- continuing to stop by the office with a smile and any questions
- letting us know whether or not you are attending when we send out invites for programs and events
- letting you child’s teacher know of absences and checking to see if any assignments need to be completed for class

Some reminders:
- When there is bad weather on Sundays or Wednesdays, check with Channel 5 for school closings.
- When there will be no classes on December 22, 25, 29 or January 1.
- Finally, during the month of December, I am asking our KRRS families to partake in a Tikkun Olam project for the Jewish Food Pantry by bringing canned foods (tuna, vegetables, fruit, etc.) to our lobby area. Please let me know if you are able to help deliver our “bounty” to the Pantry. Todah rabah!

Hag Sameach,

Paula Hertel
Interim Religious School Director

Kol Rinah Religious School Needs a Laptop

If you have a laptop that you are no longer using and are willing to donate, please call the Synagogue office.

Minimum requirements:
1. Intel processor i3 or better
2. 4GB Ram
3. 150GB hard drive
4. Windows 7 (Pro preferred)

Everyone Has A Story

Sima Needleman
David & Sue Cort

The Corts are a most interesting couple. David was raised in a loving, happy and fun Jewish home and has achieved his goals in life. Sue was brought up in a strict Christian environment but enjoyed and sought the company of her many Jewish friends.

When David and Sue moved to St. Louis from Miami in 1980, they didn’t know anyone here. Later they joined BSKI. Sue became active in BSKI and is now president of Kol Rinah.

You can find this most recent copy of the Story in our racks. Past copies are available upon request.

To have the Story mailed to you monthly, call our office at 314.727.1747.
Many people choose to make a difference in the Jewish Community through their congregation and through other programs offered. I am proud to tell you about one family who has made great contributions to our early childhood center, our congregation and the Jewish Community and whose youngest member, Tavi Rainey Chapel, has just started in the infant room of Kol Rinah ECC.

The Rainey Family- Laura, Dennis, Nicole, Amanda, Hannah and Delia are clear examples of the role the family and the congregation play in building a strong Jewish identity. Tavi’s mother, Nicole Rainey, was in the first class of Shaare Zedek Preschool in 1987. Her sisters Amanda, Hannah and Delia all attended the ECC as well. Nicole worked at the ECC during the summers and after college, before spending two years at Americorps. She also worked at the Shaare Shalom Religious School for several years. Nicole recently completed the Millstone Fellowship for Jewish Leadership. Tavi’s grandmother, Laura Rainey, taught at the ECC and the Religious School for approximately seven years. Her love of children and Judaism was reflected in her teaching, making her an inspiring example of excellence in Jewish Education.

All four Rainey girls were active in USY, serving on the SZUSY board in various capacities. Amanda, Delia and Hannah now teach Hebrew School and Religious School at Congregation Beth Shalom in Columbia, MO. Amanda spent two years as a fellow in the Southern Institute for Jewish Life, traveling the south as a Jewish educator. She is currently on the staff at Mizzou’s Hillel.

Great Grandma Dolores Kling, Laura’s mother, has started volunteering in the ECC infant room one morning per week. She is a big help to the staff and has the pleasure of holding her great grandson as well. Dolores has volunteered for fourteen years at Camp Rainbow, a camp for kids with cancer.

It is with confidence I say that Tavi will grow up with a strong Jewish identity as well. He is already getting a head start by attending a Jewish Early Childhood Center.

Remember, children learn best by example. Get involved in Kol Rinah, volunteer at our ECC, Religious School and USY or serve on a committee. We need you to help us keep Jewish Family Life and Jewish Identity “alive and well” at Kol Rinah and in our St. Louis community.

Women’s Social Group will be having a 60+ luncheon on Dec 12 at noon. It will include a musical program with Phyllis Hyken and Suzie Brodston. Cost $7.00. Please RSVP with Nancy or Meir (314.727.1747, Nancy@KolRinahStl.org, Meir@KolRinahStl.org).

Our bingo event was a great success and I am sure this will also be great.

Marilyn Dien

Register To Participate In The Third Annual Jewish And Muslim Day Of Service Tuesday, Dec 25, 2013

Drawing on the shared value of community service, the Islamic Foundation of Greater Saint Louis and the JCRC through its Milford and Lee Bohm Social Justice Center are sponsoring the third annual Jewish and Muslim Day of Service on Christmas Day. Volunteers will meet for a welcome bagel breakfast at 9 AM at the Jewish Community Center Staenberg Arts & Education Building, then proceed to one of over twenty community service sites available that day. One project will be the packaging of donated personal sized toiletries. Donations of toiletries or funds are welcome.

For more information and to register for the event, go to http://stljewishmuslimdayofservice.org/

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By now, everyone should be aware the offer to purchase the Maryland School from the Clayton School Board was not accepted.

★ The Kol Rinah Facilities Committee is re-evaluating how to proceed from this point with future plans for a permanent facility.

★ The original plan to remain in the Hanley location for 3-5 years remains.

★ The committee has selected an architecture firm to conduct a “program assessment” which is a comprehensive process with input from leadership, staff and members to determine what the congregation will need in terms of square footage and space usage.

★ The committee will continue to search for a third neutral location and research the other two possible options for the Linden property of maintaining part of the building and constructing a new education and office wing, or removing the standing building and constructing a new building

★ The Hanley and Linden buildings are listed for sale and are being shown to potential interested buyers.

★ One big question that has been expressed by members is: what will be done if both buildings are sold?

★ The answer: that would be a good problem to have, but realistically the sale and disposition of both properties will not be immediate. In the meantime the Facilities Committee is working on all possible scenarios.

New Beginners Haftorah Trope Class

A beginners Haftorah Trope class will be starting soon. Please notify the office if you are interested in a class on Tuesday or Thursday evening from 6:30-7:30 pm. No charge for this class taught by Howard Belsky.

Todah Rabah to:

★ All daveners who lead daily and Shabbat services.

★ Committee chairs and members who volunteer to manage the oversight of day to day operations of the shul.

★ Members and chairs of all committees who interact and provide personal service to members who celebrate simchas, are faced with sorrows, new to the shul, etc.

★ All committees who organize events, educational and social, that benefit our members.

★ Members who sponsor Shabbat Kiddushes and daily minyan breakfasts and make contributions to shul funds.

★ Members who volunteer to assist in the office, with the monthly newsletter, and with the building.

It does take all members to run a shul.

Susan Cort

Kol Rinah News

Share Your Voice

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December 2013
November saw us at our busiest! KRSTL brought an incredible and spirited group of teens to our Fall Kinnus in Kansas City. Kol Rinah’s chapter had twelve members at the long weekend. We participated in social action projects that helped feed some of Kansas City’s hungry families on Thanksgiving. We discussed the issue of hunger in our own country and sat down with Mazon to hear what Judaism has to say about ending poverty and hunger throughout the world. We had so much fun with other Jewish teens from all over the Midwest. We even rented out a movie theater so we could all sit together while we watched Catching Fire! KRSTL USY made sure that the rest of EMTZA knew we came to show off our ruach and our new mascot: The KRSTL Croc. On the home front, KRSTL co-chaired a city wide dance for Jewish teens! We showed up looking stylish and helped to raise money for EMTZA’s scholarship fund!

This month will be just as fun and exciting! We are having our Latkapalooza on December 4th. All Kol Rinah families are invited to join us to celebrate Hanukkah together with music, social action, dreidel spin offs, and more! Look for flyers and more information in your Kol Rinah news blast. We will also be planning an exciting St. Louis USY event that will unite us with our local USY friends. Our KRSTL USY board is dedicated to networking and serving not just Kol Rinah teens, but Jewish teens all over the county.

We will also be working on planning a regional event! Kol Rinah is hosting EMTZA’s Winter Shabbaton this year! We are expecting around 100 teens from the Midwest to join us at Kol Rinah for Shabbat on January 31st-February 2nd. We are looking for warm host families who will let the future leaders of Conservative Judaism spend a weekend in their homes. If you are ready to show the rest of the Midwest just how welcoming Kol Rinah is please contact Tasha for more details on how you can help!

There are so many upcoming opportunities to contribute to our strong and growing youth department. Whether you want to help with Winter Shabbaton, help coordinate our Mitzvah Day on January 19th, or work on something else, we would love to hear from you! Check out all the fun pictures from our youth programs on Facebook at facebook.com/kolrinahUSY. Our Youth Commission is always looking for new and dedicated members who are ready to share ideas. Even if you aren’t ready to join the commission we still would love to hear from you. If you have any questions, comments, or concerns, or if you would like to help strengthen our youth department, please contact Tasha-tasha@kolrinahstl.org.

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**Mahjong for Experienced Players & Beginners**

The Mahjong group meets at Crown Center every Monday at 1pm.

*If you are new to the game, we can teach you.*

*Sponsored by the Kol Rinah Women’s Social Group*
We want to start by thanking our Committee member, Dr. Ralph Graff for initiating and arranging the October 27 program with Dr. Alan Templeton on Evolution and Judaism. Over 100 participants were treated to a crisp, clear and very passionate presentation by the speaker.

The enthusiastic response to Dr. Templeton’s speech, the many questions and answers and the importance of topics like this, lead us to ask this Kol Rinah member to return for more!

Speaking of Kol Rinah members who step up to share their knowledge and expertise: On Nov 3rd, Dr. Nancy Berg discussed the book “Memory” by Philippe Grimbert in front of an audience of 35+.

Upcoming programs:
What Would Maimonides Say About Today’s Organ Transplant Lists?
On December 8 another very critical topic, again initiated and arranged by Dr. Ralph Graff, will be featured when Dr. Harvey Solomon, Professor of Surgery St. Louis University and a member of the UNOS Board of Directors, (UNOS = United Network for Organ Sharing) will discuss recent changes in the allocation of kidneys for transplantation – a 21st century issue requiring the wisdom of King Solomon.

He will be joined by Kol Rinah members Dr. Michael Rauchman, Professor of Medicine and Director of the John Cochran VAMC Division of Nephrology, and Dr. Alex Befeler, Associate Professor of Medicine and Medical Director of the Liver Transplant Service at St. Louis University.

More upcoming programs
Ralph Graff is preparing a program with member Dr. Sherman Silber - nicknamed “Sherm the sperm” - on fertility issues.

We are hoping to have a program on Guns. Date and time yet to be determined.

Many other programs are in the planning stage and we encourage you keep an eye open for emails and future Newsletters for more info.

Like our programs? Help us make sure we can continue to offer these and other great programs! Contributions to the Adult Education Committee Fund would be greatly appreciated.
ADULT EDUCATION COMMITTEE PRESENTS:

WHAT WOULD MAIMONIDES SAY ABOUT TODAY’S ORGAN TRANSPLANT LISTS?

Sunday, December 8, 2013
12:30 pm at Kol Rinah

Organ Transplants and Scarcity: A Jewish Perspective

Join us for a panel discussion on the topic of organ transplants, the process of organ allocation, and Torah teachings of scarcity. Dr. Harvey Solomon, Professor of Surgery at St. Louis University and a member of the United Network for Organ Sharing (UNOS) will discuss recent changes in the allocation of kidneys.

He will be joined by Dr. Michael Rauchman, Professor of Medicine and Director of the John Cochran VAMC Division of Nephrology and Dr. Alex Befeler, Associate Professor of Medicine and Medical Director of the Liver Transplant Service at St. Louis University.

EVENT IS FREE!

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Sun Dec 1, 2013
See Weekly Minyan Times
USY Kinnus in KC
9:30am Communications Meeting- Library
6:30pm Chanukah "Put and Take" Night- Auditorium
Chanukah: 5 Candles

Mon Dec 2, 2013
See Weekly Minyan Times (6:45am)
8:30am ECC Chanukah Program- Chapel Alcove
9:45am Rabbi Fasman's Class- Sara Myers Room 106
Chanukah: 6 Candles

Tue Dec 3, 2013
Rosh Chodesh Tevet
See Weekly Minyan Times
8am Jewish Ethics Class- Sara Myers Room 106
6:30pm Sisterhood Chanukah Event- Sara Meyers Room 106
Chanukah: 7 Candles

Wed Dec 4, 2013
Rosh Chodesh Tevet
See Weekly Minyan Times (6:45am)
12pm Noar/Kadima/USY/Family Chanukah Party & Dinner - Auditorium
Chanukah: 8 Candles

Thu Dec 5, 2013
Chanukah: 8th Day
See Weekly Minyan Times (6:45am)
7:30pm Coordinating Meeting- Library

Fri Dec 6, 2013
See Weekly Minyan Times
4:22pm Candle lighting
6pm Kabbalat Shabbat

Sat Dec 7, 2013
Parshat Vayigash
Rachel Schneider's Bat Mitzvah
9am Shabbat Service
10:30am Kidrash- Chapel
3:25pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/Ma'ariv
5:23pm Shabbat Ends

Sun Dec 8, 2013
See Weekly Minyan Times
9am Communications Meeting- Library
9:30am Kol Rinah Religious School
9:30am Men's Club Board meeting- Youth Lounge
9:30am Sisterhood Meeting- Chapel
12:30pm Adult Ed Presents Rationing & Allocation of Scarce Medical Resources- Auditorium
10:15am KRRS Cooking Class- Mirowitz

Mon Dec 9, 2013
Photo Directory - Room 106 - 2pm - 9pm
See Weekly Minyan Times
9:45am Rabbi Fasman's Class- Sara Myers Room 106
7pm Ritual Meeting- Sara Myers Room 106

Tue Dec 10, 2013
Photo Directory - Room 106 - 2pm - 9pm
See Weekly Minyan Times
8am Jewish Ethics Class- Sara Myers Room 106
7pm Education Committee Meeting- Library

Wed Dec 11, 2013
Photo Directory - Room 106 - 2pm - 9pm
See Weekly Minyan Times
8:15am Rabbi Fasman's Class- Chapel Alcove
11am Kidrash- Room 106
4:15pm KRRS
7:30pm USY Lounge night- Youth Lounge

Thu Dec 12, 2013
Parshat Vayeichi
9am Shabbat Service
12pm 60 Plus- Auditorium

Fri Dec 13, 2013
Asara B’Tevet
See Weekly Minyan Times
4:22pm Candle lighting
6pm Kabbalat Shabbat

Sat Dec 14, 2013
Parshat Vayechi
USY International Convention
9am Communications Meeting- Library
10:30am Holy Rollers- Auditorium

Sun Dec 15, 2013
See Weekly Minyan Times
9am Communications Meeting- Library
9:30am Kol Rinah Religious School
10am Congregational Meeting- Auditorium
3:25pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/Ma'ariv
5:24pm Shabbat Ends

Mon Dec 16, 2013
Photo Directory - Room 106 - 2pm - 9pm
See Weekly Minyan Times
9:45am Rabbi Fasman's Class- Sara Myers Room 106

Tue Dec 17, 2013
See Weekly Minyan Times
8am Jewish Ethics Class- Sara Myers Room 106

Wed Dec 18, 2013
See Weekly Minyan Times
8:15am Rabbi Fasman's Talmud Shiur
11am Kindermusik- Room 112
4:15pm KRRS

Thu Dec 19, 2013
See Weekly Minyan Times
USY International Convention
Fri Dec 20, 2013
See Weekly Minyan Times
USY International Convention
4:25pm Candle lighting
6pm Kabbalat Shabbat

Sat Dec 21, 2013
Parshat Shemos
USY International Convention
9am Shabbat Service
3:30pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/Ma'ariv
5:27pm Shabbat Ends

Sun Dec 22, 2013
See Weekly Minyan Times
USY International Convention
9am Communications Meeting- Library
10:30am Holy Rollers- Auditorium

Mon Dec 23, 2013
See Weekly Minyan Times
USY International Convention
9:45am Rabbi Fasman's Class- Sara Myers Room 106

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Weekly Minyan Times
Monday through Friday 7am
Sunday 8am
Holidays (national) at 8am
Sunday - Thursday 6pm
Rosh Chodesh - 6:45am

PLEASE ATTEND A MINYAN AND BE COUNTED

Shabbat Schedule
Friday night 6pm, Saturday morning 9am.
Saturday evening services will be held at the times posted in the calendar.
Calling All Members
Your Feedback is Important!

Kol Rinah is updating our membership files so we can be a better connected community. Whether you filled out a membership form just a short time ago or can't remember how long it's been, please visit [http://www.kolrinahstl.org/membership-forms/] on our Kol Rinah website for the downloadable pdf of our Kol Rinah Membership form. Help us know and serve you better.

And while you are at it, please don't forget to fill out the Kol Rinah Member Support form that you were sent in the mail. We need this form to establish our budget for 2014. If you need a new one, you can pick one up in the Kol Rinah office, or you can call 314.727.1747 and have one mailed to you.

Both forms can be mailed to the office or brought with you when you come for your Kol Rinah directory photo session.

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**Canned Fruit**
**Canned Pasta with Meat**
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**Tomato Sauce and Spaghetti Sauce**
**Kosher Food**
**Healthy Cereal**
**Canned Tuna Fish**
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