“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!

Kol Rinah Purim Schedule 2013
ALL SUPURIM! Festivities at Hanley Campus

Saturday, February 23, 2013
6:30pm Ma’ariv
6:45pm Costume Parade, Megillah Reading & Videos on the big screen
♦ Come dressed as your favorite superhero
♦ Buy a “gragger for a cause” - (Buy a box of Mac & Cheese to shake. Then donate it to the food pantry.)
♦ Listen to the Megillah and watch the exciting video “interruptions”
♦ Enjoy homemade hamentashen and other mayhem!

Sunday, February 24, 2013
8am Minyan and Megillah Reading in the chapel
10am Family “Crazy Breakfast” & AMAZING PURIM SHOW from the St. Louis Arches! $10/family (please RSVP by Friday, Feb. 15th)
11:30-1:30pm USY SUPURIM! Carnival
4:30pm Purim Seudah

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For centuries, Jews have shared our Jewish journeys in our homes, in our neighborhoods, and especially, in our synagogues. As much as there are far too many disaffiliated and disconnected Jews in our world today, there are still many contemporary American Jews who have chosen to remain connected or to reconnect with the Jewish community. There are plenty of us of who are working at living a joyous Jewish life.

In many ways, these are the Jews who affiliate with the Conservative Movement. Conservative congregations are composed of a mix of knowledgeable and not-so-knowledgeable Jews. We care about Judaism and its traditions. We value our uniquely Jewish identity and understand that we have an obligation to our ancestors and our descendants to be a strong link in the chain of generations.

We do not withdraw from American secular life; instead, we try to augment that life with as much Judaism as possible. Jewish observance requires skills and knowledge. The more we know, the richer our experience. As we step up our level of observance, the first thing that we learn is that we don't know enough. It is hard to increase our Jewish observance when we don't really know what to do.

Knowledge is power. Certainly that is true in Jewish life. That's where I come in. I see it as my primary task to empower the members of this congregation to live a more satisfying Jewish religious life. Kashrut is an important part of Jewish observance; my job is to show you how to keep kosher. It's not enough that I urge the members of Kol Rinah to come to Shabbat services; I need to teach you how to observe Shabbat.

On Shabbat afternoons, between the afternoon and evening services, I am teaching about the laws of Shabbat – we started with Torah sources and are now focusing on the details of what is permissible and what is forbidden. In the months ahead I plan to begin teaching about kashrut.

I urge you to develop new Jewish skills – learn to lead a daily minyan (or, if you're not there yet, learn how to participate in one). Learn (or re-learn) how to chant a haftarah. Learn the Hebrew of the Shabbat services. Learn what the Hebrew words mean. Learn how to keep a kosher home (and do it). Study the laws of Shabbat. If you need a teacher, I'll find you one. That's what I'm here for.

Kol Rinah and other Conservative congregations must become hubs of Jewish empowerment. We will try to provide the tools, and we await your commitment to learn. Rabbi Tarfon taught:

"The day is short, the task is great, the workers indolent, the reward bountiful, and the Master insistent!" He also said:

"It is not your obligation to complete the task, but neither are you free to desist from it" [Pirke Avot 2:20-21].

Todah Rabah!

January Haftarot
Wendy Love Anderson, Carol Battle, Jacob Pritzker, Harriet Shanas

January Greeters
Benita Boxerman, Carol Battle, Golda Cohen, Phyllis Hyken, Paula Lemerman, Linda Makler, Sandy Melnick, Phyllis Blalock Patton

January Gabbaim
Lauren Buchsbaum, Golda Cohen, Paula Lemerman, Marvin Marcus, Don Pearl, Jim Singman, Mark Weinstein, Sherri Frank Weintrip

January Kiddush & Shabbat Sponsors
Carol Battle, Shelah Feldman & Judy Reaven, Faye Keyser Memorial Seudah Fund, SZ Sisterhood, Family of Rabbi Skoff, Bill Solomon

Linden Shabbat Sponsors provide Food Pantry Baskets on the bema and Shabbat kiddushes at our Linden campus. To be a Shabbat Sponsor call our Linden office 314.725.6230.

To Sponsor a Hanley Campus Kiddush, call our Hanley office 314.727.1747. For a Hanley campus Sisterhood Kiddush, contact Sue Propper 314.395.1349.

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Joseph & Geraldine Burstein, Gerald Cohen, David & Susan Cort, Phil & Deborah Gould, Ralph & Mimi Graff, Martin & Margaret Israel, Rose Malt, William Solomon, Marcia Sterneck
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Newsletter designed by Tovah Enger

Save the Date
March 9, 2013 - 7:30-9:30pm

Come "strike" up a conversation with other Kol Rinah members (ages 21-40ish).

Bowling and drinks at Pin-Up Bowl $20 per person
Includes 2 hours of bowling and shoes

Questions?
Contact Rachel Shenker
rshenker@gmail.com

Come pray, learn, sing and celebrate with us

Facebook page: Kol Rinah Synagogue
In his seminal essay “The Vocation of the Cantor” Abraham Joshua Heschel says, “it is the job of the Cantor to create the liturgical community, to convert a plurality of praying individuals into a unity of worship.” A liturgical community. A plurality of praying individuals. A unity of worship. It is difficult to believe that these words were penned in 1966, as they seem so salient and relevant today. A successful Cantor, Heschel argues, is able to create community through song and worship, to connect the daveners to one another and to God. “Song,” he says, “and particularly liturgical song, is not only an act of expression but also a way of bringing down the spirit from heaven to earth.”

I have been honored to hear the combined, strong and beautiful voice of our new congregation these past few weeks, singing, from my “perch” on the bima. And let me just say, you sound fantastic! I don’t need to work very hard to create a unity of worship — it’s happening beautifully on its own, and with such a strong foundation we have even more to build together.

In addition to Heschel’s words, the Commandments below, authored by an unknown scribe, capture perfectly the energy that I seek to create in our congregation. We are not necessarily all trained singers, nor do all of us perceive ourselves to be music-lovers. But when we pray, it is essential that every voice is in the mix!

**The Ten Commandments of Congregational Singing**

1. Thou Shalt Sing!
2. Thou Shalt Sing with all thy heart, with all thy soul, and with all thy might.
3. Thou Shalt Sing Fearlessly, striving to ignore the possible wondering glances of thy neighbors. Thou shalt know in thy heart that they would like to sing with you, if they only had the nerve. Never lose faith that they will sing with you if only you continue.
4. Thou Shalt Sing Joyfully, as it is written by the prophet Isaiah: “Sing, O Heaven, be joyful, O Earth, and break forth into Singing, O mountains.”
5. Thou Shalt Sing Reverently, for music is prayer.
6. Thou Shalt Not Hesitate to Sing, for though an individual may pray in a whisper or even in wordless silence, a congregation must sing.
7. Thou Shalt Not Resist New Melodies, for we have been taught to never let our prayer become rigid. Seek to fulfill the words of the Psalmist: Let us sing a new song unto the Lord.
8. Thou Shalt Never Mumble but sing out loud. Never be deterred by an occasional mistake.
9. Thou Shalt Not Hesitate to Sing with the Hazzan for she fervently wants you to join with her.
10. Thou Shalt Never Forget the words of the Psalmist: “I will sing unto the Lord as long as I live.” True and certain it is that God loves us when we work, but God really loves us when we sing.

**Become Part of a New Sisterhood Tradition**

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Do not be forgotten! Create your lasting memory today.
From the BSKI President

Sue Cort

Gives and Gets

Much activity and work is going on with details for the merger. Where to start to even begin to provide all the information members need? In today’s easy access to information and people the members of all of the committees are only a phone call or email message away. Hopefully GETting in touch with any one of us will GIVE you information you need.

Actually, this message is about GIVES and GETS. Michael Levine, Co-Chair of the merger finance committee, introduced this technique and has instructed the members of the merger committees about how to use this tool to facilitate the communication between the committees. It is very simple, straightforward, efficient and effective.

In fact, it is a process that I encourage all members of Kol Rinah to think about as the merger continues.

What are GIVES AND GETS? They are a way for members and leaders to provide and receive information from each other to successfully complete their given tasks. In other words it is the flow of questions and responses/answers between members and leaders... and, to work, it must flow both ways.

As mentioned it does work both ways and members are encouraged to respond when information is requested from you by members of the merger committees. The information requested is often important and necessary to the committee and the larger merger process.

Often times the only way to obtain the information is to request it directly from members. Please take a few minutes of your time to assist with the successful completion of the process by responding to all requests for information or opinions.

Every member of Kol Rinah will have access to accurate information, as it becomes available for release and will be distributed by the members of the Communication Committee through, weekly email blasts, personal home mailings the kolrinahstl.org web site and the “new” newsletter the “Kol Rinah Voice.” The very first issue was published last month. Mazal Tov and thank you to all of the contributors and especially to newsletter designer, Tovah Enger for its success.

One last word to everyone is to assure you the ultimate objective of the merged congregation is to continue to serve the community of Conservative Jews in the mid county area (and those who travel to the mid county area) as our legacy congregations have done before us. It will necessitate some “gives and gets” and compromises from all members of the legacy congregations but it will also mean there will be a continued community of St. Louis Jews who choose to worship, pray and study Torah together and welcome all Jews to join us in those practices.

Wishing all of you Shalom,

Susan Cort

February Anniversaries
Phillip & Deborah Gould
David & Roza Gossage
Danny Gurvis & Esti Goldman
Nino & Cheryl Heres
Bill & Wendy Huss
Robert & Christine Kaplan
Berl & Joan Katz
Monti & Cheryl Mantinband
Mike & Olga Nogin

Mazal Tov Hanley!

February Anniversaries
Eric & Dana Emmenegger
Gary Kodner & Peggy Nehmen
Alan & Helene Spetner
Robert & Rosalie Stein

Our Condolences to the Loved Ones of...
Ruth Benson
Shirley Hellman
Jean Goodman
Myra Grossman
Fred Spiegelman

Thank You from Congregants
Dear Membership Committee,
Thank you very much for the Chanukah package! I had a great time playing with the dreidels! Have a Happy Chanukah & Happy New Year.
Sincerely,
Melissa Bilger

My sincere thank you to Paula Hamvas, Carol Battle, Mimi Graff, Joyce Eisenberg, Linda Makler, Linda Biggs and Marsha Birenbaum for their help in setting up the tables for our “getting to know you” dinner on December 28th.

Marian Katz

If you or someone you know would like to order Meals on Wheels?

Please contact the Hanley office at 314.727.1747

Come pray, learn, sing and celebrate with us

February 2013
From the SZ President

Steve Keyser

FINANCE 101:

In my January column, I wrote about the importance of transparency and specifically wanting members to understand our finances. This month, I will explain the numbers for both legacy congregations in broad terms, using round numbers and percentages, not exact amounts. Understanding the numbers is essential to understanding why we make certain decisions and is part of involving congregants in our process.

**Big Picture.** Both congregations spent more than they took in each of the last several years, to the tune of more than $100,000 annually per congregation. Shaare Zedek used the income from its Early Childhood Center (ECC) and bank loans to cover the shortfall. BSKI used money from its cash reserves. The size of SZ’s loan has increased while BSKI’s cash reserves have decreased to almost zero. Is the problem too little revenue or too much expense? Either way, neither model is financially sustainable. Let’s begin with some numbers and then discuss some issues.

**Some Numbers:** The 2011 numbers below combine figures from both legacy shuls except for full dues per member column, which is SZ only. They do not include income from or expenses for SZ’s ECC or BSKI’s Kosher Katering. Amounts are rounded.

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Kol Rinah has about 550 members. The 2011 actual membership income for the two shuls is $940,000 or $1,700 per member, and includes Dues and High Holiday Appeal, etc. SZ’s full dues are $2,100 per member. BSKI uses a fair-share dues system; therefore, full dues cannot be determined in the same way. Two-thirds of each congregation’s members pay less than full dues. Therefore, the average dues paid per member (without HH Appeal, etc.) is $1,300, an $800 per member shortfall based on SZ’s full dues. Of the members who do pay full dues at their respective congregation, many pay more than the “full dues” amount.

Expenses for 2011 were $1,455,000, or $2,645 per member. Merging the two Shuls should reduce expenses after the transition. Expenses for USCJ member synagogues average $3,000 per member.

Net income from the ECC and Kosher Katering ($103,000), fundraising and other sources ($200,000), plus borrowing and depleting reserves ($200,000) is how we offset the $505,000 shortfall between membership income and expenses.

**Issues and Solutions.**

**Our Income.** Membership Income (dues plus High Holiday Appeal) for both congregations brings in less than two-thirds of the amount needed to meet expenses. Why do we have this problem now? Like many other congregations, over time membership declined, non-affiliation rose and so revenues decreased. Another issue is that only one-third of members pay full dues.

To increase revenue, Kol Rinah must:
- Attract more full dues paying members;
- Increase the number of current members who pay full dues; and
- Develop fees for non-members who want to participate in Kol Rinah programs.

**Our expenses.** The cost of personnel is about 63 percent of total expenses and keeping the
Legacy BSKI Womens' League

Marilyn Dien

We are looking forward to celebrating our Womens' League shabbat at our Hanley campus on January 26th and participating in the shabbat service.

Legacy SZ Sisterhood

Micki Kingsley

It's beginning to look a lot like Purim!

The annual national Women's League Shabbat is celebrated in January, to commemorate the day that Mathilda Schechter gave a speech to the Jewish Theological Seminary in New York to encourage and promote the involvement of women in Conservative Judaism. So, every year, we celebrate the event with a "sisterhood" Shabbat and delicious Kiddush. Thank you to all the ladies who participated in Sisterhood Shabbat on January 26. I hope you all enjoyed the deli Kiddush.

Mentioning JTS reminds me that, in concert with our annual Torah Fund campaign to reach our donation goal for Conservative Seminaries, the afternoon tea event is still scheduled for Sunday, March 10. Please don't wait until the last minute to RSVP. It really helps us to know how many people to expect.

We have to send in our dues to National very soon. If you have not returned your envelope and check for dues, please do.

We wish a belated happy birthday to Zendra Ashkanazi on the occasion of her 90th birthday. She is a past president of our Sisterhood and played a key part in strengthening our organization. We wish you a happy and healthy year.

Happy birthday to Sylvia Rosen who recently celebrated her 95th birthday with us at Shabbat services.

And happy birthday to Ruth Jacob who is celebrating her 90th birthday with a Sisterhood Kiddush on February 2nd.

How fitting that we have had so many happy occasions to celebrate to get us ready for the big celebration of Purim!

Chag Purim Sameach to everyone!
Schwartz (acerr66@netscape.net) if you'd like to read Torah, haftorah, Davan, lead a prayer in english or hebrew, or just for an honor!

March 3rd will be our annual Yellow Candle Packing party at 9:30 am at Kol Rinah Hanley campus. Your help is welcome.

Please let Bob Olshan or Don Pearline know if you are interested in participating in Men's Club. We are looking for continued participation but would greatly welcome newcomers, especially younger men.

The historic first joint meeting of Kol Rinah was held on December 16th. We look forward to a number of exciting programs for men of all ages as well as our families as we merge together this year into a bigger and stronger Men's Club. This year we hope to continue our move toward adding spirituality to Men's Club, expand programs for younger men, and of course to support our new congregation Kol Rinah get off the ground.

We’d like to congratulate Mitch Shenker who has been selected as Shaare Zedek 2012 Federation of Jewish Men's Club (FJMC) Man of the Year, which will be celebrated at a luncheon on March 17th at Bnai Amoona - save the date and RSVP to our office. Mitch was president of Shaare Zedek Men's Club prior to becoming president of Shaare Zedek. Yashar Koach Mitch. Our 2013 Man of the Year will of course be from Kol Rinah Men's Club.

We invite all men and women to participate in our World Wide Wrap on February 3rd at Shaare Shalom - Kol Rinah Linden campus. Come learn about Tefillin, help our younger Kol Rinah lay Tefillin - or perhaps remember how to. We’d really like to see a strong intergenerational turn out this year.

We look forward to our first joint Texas Hold-em Poker Night at 7PM on Feb 17th at Kol Rinah Hanley campus. Anyone over age of 16 is invited, and we’ll teach you how. Cost is $10 which includes refreshments.

Our first Kol Rinah Men's Club Shabbat is coming up on March 2nd. Please contact Alan Schwartz (acerr66@netscape.net) if you'd like to read Torah, haftorah, Davan, lead a prayer in english or hebrew, or just for an honor!

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It's time for Mishloach Manot!

Purim is February 23rd.

We celebrate Purim by delivering beautiful Mishloach Manot bags filled with greetings, gifts and tasty holiday treats.

All Kol Rinah members will be sent a special package so that we may all celebrate together. You can participate in the Mitzvah of giving by sending Mishloach Manot greetings to your families and friends.

If you missed it in the mail or eblast, you can click here for a printable flyer with the order form for greetings and participation sign-up. Greeting orders are due in by February 3.

For baking times, call Nancy at the Hanley office 314.727.1747

Bag assembly - Feb 16, 7pm
Deliveries - Feb 17, 10am

Please join us in celebrating Purim!

This year's Purim events will be at our Hanley campus.

Want a Family Member in a Nursing Home to Get a Visit?

Chesed Committee volunteers regularly visit our members and even former members in nursing homes.

If you know a member who is in a nursing home, have a family member in a nursing home, or would like to be a volunteer, please call Barbara Bianco 314-727-2399 or email barbarab2@aol.com
facility running is about 25 percent for each congregation, even though both have reduced expenses. One reason we spend more than we receive is that, over time, when we add programs and services, we do not eliminate others. One example is continuing to print and mail the monthly newsletter to accommodate those without e-mail, while also sending it electronically.

Making adjustments is difficult. Should we limit synagogue-sponsored Kiddushes to wine and cake to save money? No, we’d hear “We cannot do that because…. “What if we closed the building on Sunday to save money?” Some would say, “We can’t do that because where would we hold Sunday minyan and other meetings?” Here is an idea that seems easy: lower the thermostat in winter and raise it in summer to save on utility bills. Some would argue, “We can’t do that because people are already uncomfortable.”

There are no easy solutions but we will need to balance the budget as a merged shul, something we haven’t done recently as individual congregations.

Thank you for taking time to read this. I hope you have a better understanding of our finances and challenges as we merge.

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**Adult Education**

*Sydney Farber and Marvin Beckerman*

**Hag Sameach Purim!**

On Thursday evening, January 3, 15 people from the Shaare Zedek and BSKI Adult Education Committees met to form the new Kol Rinah Adult Education Committee. The goals of the meeting were for Committee members to get to know one another, to talk about previous accomplishments, to share ideas regarding future programming, and to begin the planning process. It was agreed that the new Committee gear its efforts to three populations:

1. Unaffiliated Jews in the community
2. The current general membership
3. Young families and singles

A Subcommittee will develop a master calendar for future adult education events and report back to the Committee on Sunday, March 3, 10:30 am at the Hanley campus. All are invited to attend.

The committee is open to suggestions from everyone in the congregation so please call or email Marvin and/or Sydney with your ideas if you cannot be there in person.

The current schedule of classes/programs at the Hanley site are as follows:

- **Monday morning with Rabbi Fasman 9:45 - 11:15 am (ongoing)**
- **Tuesday morning with Ron Fagerstrom, after morning minyan (ongoing) Mussar discussion group**
- **Tuesday evening with Rabbi Fasman 7:15 - 9:00 pm Jewish Space (for 6 weeks) Starts back up Jan 8th (You can get a schedule by calling Nancy in the office.)**
- **Wednesday morning with Rabbi Fasman after morning minyan on Talmud (ongoing)**

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**Divrei haShavua**

February 2, 2013 - 22 Shevat, 5773 *Yitro*

18:4 מָשָׁמָה - choten Moshe - Moses' father-in-law
18:21 פָּרְשָׁת חָוֵי - anshay-cha’yl - capable men
19:4 כֹּל הַנֶּשֶׁר - al-kanfay nesharim - on the wings of eagles
19:5 נִצָּמָה - Samuel - he shall surely make restitution
23:1 החנה - Chamas - corrupt

February 6, 2013 - 6 Adar 5773 *Terumah*

25:2 תְרוּמָה - t’rumah - contribution
25:8 מִשְׁמַר - mikdash - sanctuary
25:10 אֲרוֹן - aron - ark
25:18 מִשְׁפַּט - k’tuvim - cherubs
26:1 mishkan - tabernacle

February 13, 2013 - 13 Adar 5773 *Tetzaveh/Shabbat Zachor*

27:20 זַך - zech - pure
28:4 שָׁלוֹם יְשָׁלֵם - shalem y’shalem - he shall surely make restitution
28:23 פַּאָמְו - pa’amon - bell

Divrei haShavua brought to you by the Adult Education Committee and Men’s Club

[source www.NERFJMC.org > Club Programs > Divrei Hashavua - Words of the Week]
THE SHAARE ZEDEK MEN’S CLUB
is proud to award our
“Man of the Year”
to Mitch Shenker
in recognition of his devotion, dedication
and service to Shaare Zedek Men’s Club
and our Synagogue community.

A special FJMC Award Luncheon
will be held in his honor
March 17, 2012, 1pm
at Congregation B’nai Amoona.

Tickets are $18 per person.
Contact the SZ office for reservations
no later than March 11, 2013.
314.727.1747 nancy@shaarezedek.org

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24
8:00am Minyan and Megillah reading
10:00am Family “Crazy Breakfast” & PURIM SHOW
by the AMAZING St. Louis Arches!
11:30-1:30 USY SUPURIM CARNIVAL!
4:30pm Purim Seudah (festive meal)

RSVP for the Breakfast and Seudah by Friday, Feb. 15th.
Breakfast/show: $18/family
Seudah: $15/adults, $7/children

SATURDAY EVENING, FEB. 23
6:30-9:00pm
Costume Parade, Megillah reading and videos on the big screen!
* Come dressed as your favorite superhero!
* Buy a “gragger for a cause”
  (shake a box of Mac and Cheese then donate it to the Food Pantry)
* Listen to the Megillah, and watch the exciting video “interruptions” throughout!
* Homemade hamentashen!
* Mishegas and mayhem!
Early Childhood Education

Marty Schaeffer

Top 10 Reasons Parents Love the SZECC

1. Transferring Trust: Children need opportunities to develop trust for adults other than their parents. Until they understand that a variety of adults can help them meet their needs, they will be unable to attend to the new cognitive and social activities available to them.

2. Positive Socialization: Children who attend SZECC have frequent occasions to hone their skills while interacting with their age appropriate peers. Learning how to negotiate time with a favorite toy, taking turns, developing leadership skills, and learning to be a team member, are a few of the skills to be mastered.

3. Independence Skills: Learning how to care for their own needs in a group setting without having their parent facilitating.

4. Develop Positive Self Esteem: Children have the opportunities to try out new skills. Sometimes they are successful the first time; sometimes they are not, but at the SZECC, the only true failure is not trying. Accomplishing new skills is an empowering event. Empowered SZECC children feel good about themselves.

5. Variety of Play: At SZECC, children are exposed to different types of play: active, passive, interactive and solitary. Free play is critical for becoming adept at and coping with stress as well as building cognitive skills such as problem solving.

6. Exposure to different cultures: SZECC children have ample opportunities to meet and play with children from different religions, cultural backgrounds and races. They have the opportunity to know and understand the ways we are all the same, which in turn, will create an environment contributing to a peaceful future.

7. Team Building and Goal Setting: Children learn the nuances of building a team. Some tasks will require a teammate who is good at building, others will require good negotiating skills, or coloring or letter writing; the list goes on. They will choose their playmates according to what they wish to accomplish. In essence, they will build a team that will help them achieve their goal.

8. Early Intervention: Sometimes children have physical or cognitive disabilities that their parents are unaware of. The SZECC teacher's and director's understanding of the appropriate developmental benchmarks are in a better position then most pediatricians, to evaluate your child's development. The earlier a disability is diagnosed, the earlier intervention can begin! Children who receive early intervention oft times will not fall behind their peers. Undiagnosed vision, hearing or development problems can lead to learning disabilities.

9. Cognitive Development: Preschool children are exposed to many applied cognitive skills. Letters are not taught in isolation but rather in application. While playing in the ‘Home Life’ center, children may need to write a shopping list. Letters learned in context are much more effective then isolated instruction.

10. Encouraged Creativity: Children develop right brain learning in coordination with the left brain through numerous activities of movement, painting, drawing etc. These activities help develop both fine and gross motor skills, and provide an avenue for creative expression.

All of this is enhanced by Jewish Education interwoven into each day’s learning.

Mike Winograd
Assistant Director of ECC

We Can Do It

That was the theme of the day on Shabbat, January 12th as Kol Rinah and many community guests celebrated the 90th birthday of Rabbi Benson Skoff during Shabbat morning services. Rabbi's whole family was in town to join in the celebration and participate in the services. Rabbi Joshua Skoff introduced his Dad's famous saying during his d'var Torah as he wished the best for our newly merged congregation. Rabbi Benson Skoff then offered his blessing to Kol Rinah confirming his faith that "we can do it!" A fabulous luncheon was held after services, culminating in the presentation of a plaque commemorating the day. The plaque featured an original tile from the exterior of the Benson Skoff sanctuary as well as a picture of Rabbi Skoff in front of the building bearing his name. Rabbi Skoff was the first rabbi of the merged congregations Brith Sholom and Kneseth Israel beginning in 1959 and served the congregation for 54 years. Mazal tov Rabbi Skoff!

Click the link below to view the Rabbi Skoff tribute book.


Come pray, learn, sing and celebrate with us
ST. LOUIS WELCOMES
Rabbi Jason Rubenstein of
メחול הדר
MECHON HADAR
for an evening of engaging learning

Hosted by Kol Rinah
Thursday evening, February 7
7:00-8:30pm
Shaare Zedek Synagogue
829 North Hanley Road, University City

The Past that Lives on Within: Memory as Redemption in an Age of Forgetting
"Education is what remains after one has forgotten what one has learned in school."
- Albert Einstein

What remains from all the learning, all the efforts of our lives, as they slip into the past? We will explore deep questions of memory, of progress, and of history, by studying a poetic essay by Rabbi Isaac Hutner, one of the 20th century's most creative and least known Jewish thinkers. Sources will be available in Hebrew and English.

*This program is free of charge.*
Questions and RSVP's to the SZ office: 314-727-1747 or email office@shaarezedek.org

Jason Rubenstein is Dean of Students at Mechon Hadar, where he also teaches Talmud and Jewish thought. Jason was ordained by the Jewish Theological Seminary in May of 2011, and also holds an MA in Talmud from JTS and a AB in Social Studies from Harvard College. An alumnus of the Wexner Graduate Fellowship, Jason has also led several programs for the Nesiya Institute.

Mechon Hadar is an educational institution that seeks to empower a generation of Jews to create and sustain vibrant, practicing, egalitarian communities of Torah learning, prayer, and service. Hadar is located in New York City.
February will be a huge month for the youth of our new congregation. We’re starting off with a bang by heading to our Winter Shabbaton in the Twin Cities on February 8-10th. Our USYers will be enjoying a weekend surrounded by other Jews from the region and discovering their Jewish identities through workshops, discussions, and engaging programs. Once we’ve returned from convention we’ll launch into the Purim spirit! Purim begins on the evening of February 23rd and USY is looking to make this the greatest Purim yet! We’ll be doing the heavy lifting but there are still ways that congregants can help contribute to making Kol Rinah’s first Purim together one to remember. Here’s how you can help:

Booth Sponsorship – This Purim sponsor a carnival booth for a recommended donation of $36 (Double Chai). A star with your name will be displayed next to the sponsored booth, and your name will be listed in our program.

Auction Prizes – Donate a prize to our raffle and/or silent auction. This is mainly an opportunity for business owners who can offer a service or make a donation from their inventory. Other creative ideas include: donating tickets to sporting events (Rams, Cardinals, Blues, etc) or shows (Muny, Fox, etc). It would be our pleasure to provide a letter of donation to be used for tax purposes, and of course your name (or company’s name) will be listed with the prize, and in our program.

It’s Purim time and the USYers have come up with our title for the Superhero Purim festivities SUPURIM!

SUPER+PURIM=

Purim Carnival Booth Sponsorship

Yes! I would love to sponsor a booth at the Kol Rinah USY Purim Carnival!

Please find enclosed my check for $____ (a $36 donation is recommended).

I would like the official sponsor name to read ________________________________ on my booth.

Please make out all checks to Shaare Zedek USY and mail by February 7th to:

Kol Rinah Purim Carnival
c/o Tasha Kaminsky
829 North Hanley Road
St. Louis, MO 63130

Thank you very much!!

Purim Carnival Prize Donation

Yes, I would love to donate a prize for the Kol Rinah USY Purim Carnival raffle and/or silent auction.

My donation will be ________________________________, and I will bring it to the synagogue office/arrange for a USYer to pick it up (please circle one) by February 15th.

Please mail this form by February 7th to:

Kol Rinah Purim Carnival
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Thank you very much!!
Engaging youth - it is sometimes a challenge. What makes our youth and families feel it is worth their time to engage in their Judaism? We work diligently to engage and excite children about Judaism and everything it has to offer and we know that most of them truly enjoy the experience. We engage our youth at religious school anywhere from 1 to 3 days a week and create opportunities for families to join together to celebrate holidays as well as Shabbat.

The teachers at Shaare Shalom are amazing. Each class they prepare and facilitate projects and activities with their students. I walked into the Aleph-Bet room last week to witness the students reviewing all of the aleph-bet letters that they have learned to this point. I walked down the hall and saw small groups of Zayin / Chet (7th / 8th) students working together and teaching each other an activity to bring back to the group and share with one another. I walked by the library and overheard the pre-confirmation / confirmation (Tet / Yud) students discussing the value of taking care of one’s body. I also walked into the Hey (5th grade) room and observed a vocabulary Bingo game. I invite you to walk through the school at either location on a Sunday morning or Monday or Wednesday afternoon and observe for yourself what is being taught and created. Observe what our students find engaging.

However, it is not enough to have an amazing religious school. Judaics and Hebrew can be taught in fun and exciting ways but connecting the dots to real life and living Jewish lives is the real goal. With this in mind, we want to make sure everyone is included in what makes a meaningful Shabbat. It is not the same for everyone. We are creating an opportunity for everyone to feel welcome and for everyone to be sure that when they arrive others will be here and that there will be something engaging for everyone. Each Shabbat you can expect to find activities and service opportunities for kids. Check the eblast for more information.

As I am writing this, I am excitedly awaiting the Jewish Educators Assembly Conference. The theme this year is Change: Examining New Models in Jewish Education. I am very excited to share my ideas about where our school is heading and to learn from others what is working in other communities. This assembly comes on the heels of Tu B’Shevat not to mention the beginning of the year. Change is what allows us to move ahead and continue to reach higher goals.

I look forward to returning with even more ideas for where we go next.

--Jessica Wax

Sunday evening, January 20th DorWays families got together for a Tu B’Shevat themed dinner and movie night. We all enjoyed a fun movie about taking care of our environment while we snacked on delicious Tu B’Shevat treats. Everyone left thinking about how important it is to take care of the world around us and how precious the environment is.

February is an exciting time at Shul! Children of all ages can enjoy Purim and all the fun that surrounds it. From dressing up in costumes to hearing the Megillah, making hamentashen to participating in the carnival, there is fun awaiting everyone. Please be on the lookout for more Purim information.

Often parents don’t know what to do with their children on the cold Shabbat afternoons of winter. Join DorWays for a fun way to get the energy out. We will be hosting open gym time in the Hanley gym! Come mingle and play on February 2, and February 16 from 3:30 – 5:00pm. The gym is appropriate for children 5 and under.

The merging of our two synagogues is an exciting time for young families. I look forward to meeting those of you that I have not had the opportunity to meet and learning what types of programming that your family is interested in. Please let me know if you are interested in getting involved with the committee or in helping plan a program.

B’Shalom,
Jessica Wax
Everyone Has A Story

Sima Needleman

Leslie Birenbaum and Susan Roth

Although Leslie and Susan are two very different people, there are surprising similarities in their life stories: (1) they both changed elementary schools at least four times because their families moved so much; (2) both experienced a period of years with little (if any) involvement with Judaism but then later in their lives returned to their roots; (3) they are both members of the Jewish Motor Cycle Club (along with Monroe Ginsburg, Steve Aroesty, Harvey and Ava Small and a few more SZ members. Susan explained that she doesn’t ride a motorcycle herself, but is a “groupie.”); and (4) their birthdays are the same day! In spite of their differences, they are an amazing couple, who have been married for just about 29 years and still seem to have lots of fun together.

This is an excerpt of the full article. To read both articles in full click the link below to find them on the Kol Rinah website.
http://bskisz.org/?page_id=364

Everyone Has A Story

Carol Battle

Kaaran Bowden

Kaaran Bowden has been a member of BSKI since June 21, 2005. Kaaran and her husband Joe are the parents of two adult children, Jacob and Aaron and Sarah who is 13. They live in Barnhart, a rural area and have multiple pets. Kaaran is active in Women’s League and a member of the committee which is working to meld both women’s groups and also a member of the Merger Membership Committee. Kaaran has multiple degrees (15, two of which are Masters) , certifications and awards among them the Governor’s Award (Illinois) She has worked in fields as diverse as commercial art, teaching and bringing economic development to the East St. Louis area.

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Social Action

Beverly Fogelman

The Second Annual Jewish and Moslem Day of Service co-sponsored by the Jewish Community Relations Council of St. Louis and the Islamic Foundation of Greater Saint Louis.

The photos featured are from the Five Star Senior Center meal delivery project, part of the Jewish Muslim Day of Sevice on December 25. There were over 20 community service sites. Kol Rinah was well represented: Rabbi Fasman taught a class out at the Mosque, the Rosenthal Family helped deliver gift packages to Bi-Lingual Services clients, Howard Granok was co-site captain at making soup packages at Dar ul Islam Mosque in West County with Margie Gillerman’s enthusiastic support and 115 volunteers delivered 290 hot holiday meals to homebound Christians through Five Star Senior Center. Among those delivering meals were Debbie and Simon Igielnik, Fred Blumenthal, Phil Gould and Frances Robbins. Gail Appleson was co-site capital at the Kornblum Food Pantry project. Because the sites were spread out geographically throughout the City of St. Louis, St. Louis County and St. Charles County, it is impossible to identify all Kol Rinah members who participated. Our apologies to those whose names are not included here. Thanks to all for your day of service!
The Jewish Food Pantry Needs Our Help

For the month of February the Harvey Kornblum Jewish Food Pantry is looking for these specific items to provide well-balanced nourishment for the community in need.

- Canned Pasta with Meat
- Peanut Butter & Jelly
- Macaroni & Cheese
- Canned Fruit (all types)
- Canned Vegetables (corn, green beans, peas, carrots and mixed vegetables)
- Kosher Food
- Shampoo, Toothpaste & Deodorant

Items should be brought to our Hanley and Linden collection sites. Thank you.

Contact Louise Levine, 636.227.1259.

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(This is January in entirety. The majority got cut off last month.)

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Our Merged Calendar

Friday, February 1, 2013
see Morning Minyan Times
5:04pm Candle lighting
6pm Shabbat Rinah/with band@Hanley

Saturday, February 2, 2013
Parashat Yitro
Ruth Jacob Kiddush/90th Birthday
9am Shabbat Service@Hanley
11am Kidrash - children's services & activities
3:30pm Dorways Open Gym Play
4:05pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/Ma'ariv@Hanley
6:05pm Havdalah

Sunday, February 3, 2013
see Weekly Minyan Times

Monday, February 4, 2013
see Weekly Minyan Times
9:45am Rabbi Fasman's Class@Hanley

Tuesday, February 5, 2013
see Weekly Minyan Times
8am Ron Fagerstrom's Mussar Class
9:30am CAJE Class "A Time to Grieve"
7:30pm Dorways Open Gym Play
4:20pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/Ma'ariv@Hanley
6:20pm Havdalah

Wednesday, February 6, 2013
see Weekly Minyan Times
8am Rabbi Fasman's Talmud Class
7pm Blending/Social Committee Meeting@Hanley

Thursday, February 7, 2013
see Weekly Minyan Times

Friday, February 8, 2013
see Morning Minyan Times
5:04pm Candle lighting
6pm Kabbalat Shabbat@Linden

Saturday, February 9, 2013
Parshas Mos 春 Patim
Geoffrey Fisher Bar Mitzvah
9am Shabbat Service@Hanley
11am Kidrash - children's services & activities
3:30pm Dorways Open Gym Play
4:05pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/Ma'ariv@Hanley
6:05pm Havdalah

Sunday, February 10, 2013
Rosh Chodesh Adar
see Weekly Minyan Times
10:15am Shabbat Service@Linden
11am Kabbalat Shabbat@Linden
5:04am candle lighting
6pm Shabbat Rinah/with band@Hanley

Monday, February 11, 2013
see Weekly Minyan Times
9:45am Rabbi Fasman's Class@Hanley

Tuesday, February 12, 2013
see Weekly Minyan Times
8am Ron Fagerstrom's Mussar Class
9:30am CAJE Class "A Time to Grieve"
7:30pm Dorways Open Gym Play
4:20pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/Ma'ariv@Hanley
6:20pm Havdalah

Wednesday, February 13, 2013
see Weekly Minyan Times
8am Rabbi Fasman's Talmud Class
7pm Blending/Social Committee Meeting@Hanley

Thursday, February 14, 2013
see Weekly Minyan Times

Friday, February 15, 2013
see Morning Minyan Times
5:12pm Candle lighting
6pm Shabbat Rinah/with band@Hanley

Saturday, February 16, 2013
Parshas Terezah
9am Shabbat Service@Hanley
11am Kidrash - children's services & activities
3:30pm Dorways Open Gym Play
4:20pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/Ma'ariv@Hanley
6:20pm Havdalah
7pm pack Mishloach Manot

Sunday, February 17, 2013
see Weekly Minyan Times
10am deliver Mishloach Manot

Monday, February 18, 2013
see Weekly Minyan Times
9:45am Rabbi Fasman's Class@Hanley

Tuesday, February 19, 2013
see Weekly Minyan Times
8am Ron Fagerstrom's Mussar Class
9:30am CAJE Class "A Time to Grieve"

Wednesday, February 20, 2013
see Weekly Minyan Times
8am Rabbi Fasman's Talmud Class
7pm CAJE Mussar Jewish Adult Education Class@Hanley

Thursday, February 21, 2013
Ta'anis Esther
see Weekly Minyan Times

Friday, February 22, 2013
see Morning Minyan Times
11:30am ECC All Family Purim Party
5:28pm Candle lighting
6pm Kabbalat Shabbat@Linden

Saturday, February 23, 2013
Parshas Terezah
Shabbos Zachor
9am Shabbat Service@Hanley
11am Kidrash - children's services & activities
4:30pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit
6:27 Havdalah
6:45 Megillah Reading@Hanley

Sunday, February 24, 2013
Purim
see Weekly Minyan Times
10am Dorways Family Breakfast & Spiel
11:30-1:30 Purim Carnival@Hanley
5pm Purim Seudah

Monday, February 25, 2013
Shushan Purim
see Weekly Minyan Times
9:45am Rabbi Fasman's Class

Tuesday, February 26, 2013
see Weekly Minyan Times
8am Ron Fagerstrom's Mussar Class
9:30am CAJE Class "A Time to Grieve"

Wednesday, February 27, 2013
see Weekly Minyan Times
8am Rabbi Fasman's Talmud Class

Thursday, February 28, 2013
see Weekly Minyan Times

Weekly Minyan Times
Weekday mornings at Hanley (SZ)
Monday through Friday 7am
Sunday 8am
Holidays (national) at 8am

Weekday evenings at Linden (BSKI)
Sunday - Thursday 6pm

February Shabbat Schedule
(Also Shown in Calendar)
February 1, 2 - Hanley
February 8, 9 - Linden
February 15, 16 - Hanley
February 22, 23 - Linden

Friday night 6pm, Saturday morning 9am
Saturday evening services will be held at the Hanley location at the times posted in the calendar.

PLEASE ATTEND A MINYAN AND BE COUNTED

Come pray, learn, sing and celebrate with us
Dear Friends,

The Chanukah season is once again upon us and during this festive time we would like to express our sincere gratitude to each and every one of you for your professionalism, your thoughtfullness and most importantly for your friendship.

In lieu of individual gifts, Rindskopf-Roth Funeral Chapel has made a substantial donation to the Harvey Kornblum Jewish Food Pantry in honor of this fellowship. It is our hope that you will join us this holiday season in remembering those in our community that may not be as fortunate as we are and share the blessing that this donation in your honor brings.

Our entire staff wishes you and your family a joyous Chanukah season and the very best for a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

Warmest regards,

The Roth Family

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Don’t miss Kol Rinah Trivia Night

📅 Saturday, March 2, 2013

at Congregation Shaare Emeth - 11645 Ladue Road

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GATHER YOUR TEAM TOGETHER! (tables of 8)

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For reservations Contact Burton Boxerman
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Your college student(s) will receive care packages for Hanukah, Purim, and Passover. Undergraduate or graduate, local or far away, what student wouldn’t like to receive a package filled with kosher snacks and surprises? Let your college student know that we are thinking about them and that they are still part of our community. They are the future of our congregation!

No cost to you or your student.

Go to this link on the e-bski website http://bski.wufoo.com/forms/bski-college-connection-form/

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