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Todah Rabah!

December Haftarot

Golda Cohen, Denise Field, Howard Granok, Rachel Schneider, Bill Solomon

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Yahrzeit of his father

Micki Kingsley

Yahrzeit of Aunt Sarose Birenbaum

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A Message from Rabbi Fasman



Rabbi Mark Fasman

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What is the origin of Jewish prayer? The Talmud gives two answers: "Rabbi Yose bar Rabbi Chanina said: The prayers were instituted by the patriarchs. Rabbi Yehoshua b. Levi said: The prayers were instituted in correspondence to the daily offerings." (*Berakhot 26b*) One of the accepted explanations of the difference between these positions is that one refers to personal prayer and the other to communal prayer.

Personal prayer often separates us from the community, while communal prayer attaches both the individual and the individual's prayer to the community. Participation in communal prayer is an investment in the strength of the community. One who prays alone takes advantage of the community, receiving its benefits without contributing to its needs.

In The Kuzari. Rabbi Yehuda ha-Levi. writes: "Communal prayer has many advantages. In the first instance a community will never pray for a thing which is hurtful for the individual, while an individual sometimes prays for something that is hurtful to others or to himself. One of the conditions of prayer is that its object be profitable to the world, and not hurtful in any way. Another is that an individual rarely accomplishes his prayer without slips and errors. It has been laid down, therefore, that the individual recite the prayers of a community, and if possible in a community of not less than ten persons, so that one makes up for the forgetfulness or error of the other. In this way, a complete prayer is gained; its blessing rests on everyone."

Rav Itamar Eldar *vbm-torah.org/archive/kuzari/31kuzari.htm* teaches that, according to Rabbi Yehuda ha-Levi, congregational prayer enjoys two advantages:

1) The prayer of an individual is liable to be, indirectly and unintentionally, a prayer for the downfall of another person. This, however, is not true about congregational prayer, which strives to bring benefit to the entire community. Congregational prayer from the very outset sets its eyes on the welfare of the entire congregation.

2) The defects of the individual are obliterated by the merits of the congregation; thus, even an unworthy individual can stand before God. Moreover, the individual can benefit from God's response to the congregation, even though he himself is not worthy of the good that comes to the world in the wake of congregational prayer.

Not only do we benefit from the community in which we pray, we depend upon their very presence in order that we might offer communal prayers. And, equally important, our fellow congregants depend upon each of us for the same reason.

Prayer is meant to bring us to feel the pain of others, to be sensitive to the need for healing for all those who suffer, to rejoice in the continued ingathering of Jews in exile, to remind ourselves that we still await the era of Mashiach.

And even before our prayers are realized, one who engages in communal prayer attaches himself or herself to a community that is committed to improving our society and our world. Can there be a more worthy human goal?

New Poetry Chavurah Forming

Join us for the first meeting on Tuesday, January 14th at 10 am in the Chapel. The focus will be on Israeli poets.

This chavurah is open to all interested in exploring the world of Jewish poetry. No prior poetic experience necessary.

Contact the office for questions.

From Our President



Sue Cort

President@kolrinahstl.org

"WHO ARE WE? WHAT KIND OF CONGREGATION DO WE WANT TO BE?

This has become a familiar question that is being asked by the members of our new congregation. And the answer is one that is not yet entirely clear. Our new congregation is currently in the process of dreaming of a vision for our future. Mitch Shenker, Chairperson of the Board of Directors, has appointed Mike Levine and 18 or so members of KR to begin work as a Strategic Planning Committee to provide the road map for the direction our congregation moving forward. The committee members are facing this challenging task with commendable enthusiasm and dedication. The plan is expected to be completed by Pesach 2014.

So what happens in the meantime, while they are crafting the Strategic Plan?

We will certainly not stand still while we wait for this important document to be presented. We will continue doing what a Jewish congregation does: providing a community for spiritual connections and practices. Life cycle events will continue to be celebrated as simchas or sorrows, and we will be the community for our fellow members that our faith requires and which we, as friends and acquaintances, each expect.

We will begin laying the groundwork for the future by keeping the important connections to the past. Consider some comments by Andres Spokoiny, the President and CEO of the Jewish Funders Network, recently published in eJewishPhilanthropy.com

"The magic of Judaism, and probably one of the secrets of its survival, is its capacity to adapt. We survive because our traditions have the richness and flexibility to yield new meanings that are relevant for every generation."

"...we have the opportunity - and the obligation - to find in our millenary tradition the responses to the crises of our times."

"The true miracle of Jewish continuity is this delicate and beautiful balance between ancient and modern, between holy and profane, between faith and determination. It is the respect for the past and the chutzpah to

change, it's venerating and daring, preserving and discarding."

I encourage you to read the whole article, but these three selections have special import for Kol Rinah. We are a new congregation with rich histories to draw on and the unique opportunity to decide how to adapt Jewish tradition to the changes in our contemporary culture.

Change is a powerful word that can have positive or negative associations to each of us. Change often requires leaving behind the familiar and comfortable, but change can also be exciting and create momentum. Look again at the three quotes and consider how our congregation or community can face present and future changes within the context of Jewish history.

We all cherish our traditions and practices, and any "change" for Kol Rinah will not require the abandonment of current practices that people will want to continue. But we should also feel empowered to explore new ideas and practices, and most importantly, to take risks. With risk there is always the possibility of failure, but when has that ever stopped Jews over the course of 5000+ years? We are still here and still proud to be so.

B'Shalom

Susan Cort

Beginner's Haftorah Class Finally Starting!

"Get ready to start from the beginning, first learning the Haftarah trope and ending with a group Haftorah!"

First Class is January 9th, 7:00 pm, in the Kol Rinah library.

Howard Belsky is teaching the class.

Cindy Payant

In honor of her birthday

Al Rosenfeld

In Honor of his daughter Amy

Bill Solomon

Yahrzeit of his wife Karen

Sherri Frank -Weintrop

. Yahrzeit of her grandfather

Leaves & Chapel Plaques

To purchase a Chapel plaque, Ashreinu Leaf or Tree of Life Leaf, call the office at 314.727.1747.

Mazal Tov Kol Rinah!

January Birthdays

Louis Albert, Irving Applebaum, Anna Asher, Zendra Ashkanazi, Anastasia Averbukh, Matthew Averbukh, Jacob Bashkin, Mary Berger, Rosalie Berger, Margaret Bergmann, Phyllis Blalock-Patton, Beatrice Borenstein, Azeyah Boyd, Gerald Cohen, Marion Cohen, Nathan Cooke, Philip Cooke, Tzofia Dean, Lena Dworkin, Perry Epstein, Geoffrey Fisher, Andrea Gerowin, Amy Glick, Jerold Goldenhersh, Ariel Goldstein, Nancy Goldstein, William Goldstein, Yiftah Goldstein, Elaine Gollub, Meris Hamilton, Ben Horwitz, Repps Hudson, Karen Huss, Simon Igielnik, Martin Israel, Ruth Jacob, Joshua Kalachek, Martin Kalmes. Eli Karabell. Berl Katz. Gary Kodner, Bernard Kunitz, Benjamin Levin, Rachel Levine, Deborah Levy, Bruce Lippmann, Steven Marcus, Jeffrey Marsh, Ariane May, Sanford Melnick, Marilyn Miller, Jeanie Olshansky, Myron Parker, Merav Portman, Molly Portman, Norman Rader, Laurie Raffelson, Herb Raskas, Jovce Raskin, Michael Rauchman, Frances Robbins, Amira Rosen, Stuart Rosenberg, Paula Rubin-Sparks, David Samuels, Kay Sandweiss, Lorraine Schankman, Michael Shanas, Steven Schultz, Eric Sheldon, Lisa Sheldon, Rachel Shilcrat, Becky Shimony, Shelley Shray, Jeremiah Simmons, Diane Singman, Rabbi Benson Skoff, Aaron Vickar, Isaac Walker, Susan

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Walker, Jeffrey Wax, Jessica Wax, Benjamin Weintraub, Karen Wetmore, Craig Zaidman

January Anniversaries

Les Birenbaum & Susan Roth
Saul & Marilyn Dien
Yiftah & Caren Goldstein
Allen Levin & Joyce Gang
Myron & Randee Jacobs
Lawrence & Rosalyn Margulis
Jay & Myrna Meyer
Rudolf & Frances Oppenheim
Alan & Molly Portman
Paul & Karen Rader
Bruce & Ellen Sabin
David Warren & Rhona Lyons

Condolences to the Loved Ones of...

Saul Silvermintz

Thank You to Congregants

I want to thank everyone at Kol Rinah for their good wishes and prayers for my recovery.

Dorothy Goldstein



Kol Rinah Gift Shop

At our Hanley Location Monday to Friday 10am- 12:30pm. Wed 4-6pm Sunday by appointment. Call **314.727.1747** to arrange a time.

Sisterhood

Micki Kingsley

It's not too b'shevat; or 2 b'shevat; or two b'shevat; but on Thursday, January 16, we will be celebrating

Tu B'Shevat (the



15th of Shevat), the new year of the trees. Look for our Sisterhood holiday table during Kiddush on January 11.

I apologize for the very late notice at the end of November, cancelling our Chanukah program toward the end of the holiday. We hope you enjoyed the other Chanukah activities that were going on at shul.

As far as I know, the bar and bat mitzvah schedule from now through spring will offer Sisterhood no opportunity to cater a Kiddush. If you would like to celebrate a special birthday or anniversary, or other simcha, or if you might consider sharing or co-sponsoring a Kiddush, please contact <code>suemeryl@charter.net</code>.

If you would like to be on our membership roster for the coming year and you haven't sent in your dues check yet, please do. We will be able to keep our per capita dues to Women's League at the current rate for another year if we send in our total just after the end of the year. For new members, remember that if you initiate membership now, your second year is free.

Torah Fund Campaign. You all should have received a letter requesting support for the Jewish Theological Seminaries' annual Torah Fund campaign. As noted in the letter, the monies raised every year from the Women's League campaign provide much-needed financial support to assure the future of our Conservative seminaries that are educating our future rabbis, cantors, teachers, and Jewish education leaders.

Kol Rinah Sisterhood is Official as of January 1!

Please make all Sisterhood checks payable to **Kol Rinah Sisterhood**.

michele kingsley@yahoo.com

I hope you are planning to be with us for Women's League Shabbat on January 18. Many of our ladies will be participating in the service.

Continue to save these dates:

March 1, 2014 - Joint Sisterhood/Men's Club Trivia Night

March 30, 2014 - Torah Fund Luncheon

If you have time to help with planning and carrying out Trivia Night, the Men's Club and Sisterhood are going to be soliciting sponsors for tables, rounds and easels for the evening. We will also need volunteers to help set up, keep score, sell raffle tickets between games, staff soft drink tables, etc. We look forward to working again with the Men's Club on this fundraiser; and we'd like you to help us make this one the best ever! Burton Boxerman has already started researching and crafting interesting categories and challenging questions for our enjoyment.

Have a good 2014!

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's Club

Bob Olshan & Don Pearline

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Men of Kol Rinah - You may be missing out! What's it going to take for you to be engaged? Scotch, Talmud, Softball, Sports, Poker, Friendships, philosophical discussions, Tikun Olam, new or deeper relationships?

What a great year 2013 was for our Men's Club! We have continued our journey on a new and energetic path forward to engaging men socially, intellectually, spiritually and to better serve our shul, our community and our members!

This past year, we took a giant step forward with the merger of our two shuls, joining our two Men's Clubs into a single, more exciting organization! Elections for new officers will be January 12th at our Annual General Men's Club Meeting at 9:30am. Please let me know if you are interested on being on the board, being an officer, or just helping on a program or two.

We are pleased to announce our 2013-2014 Man of the year is Jim Singman. Yasher Koach, Jim!

We are also very pleased to announce a new midwest FJMC tradition, a Youth of the Year, and our first year's awardee is Sophie Aroesty! Yasher Kochech. Please mark your calendars and join us at a luncheon at Kol Rinah on March 23rd to honor both of them (along with Bnai Amoona's honorees).

We would like to invite you to join in our new engaging programs in addition to our regular fun filled events. Stimulate your intellect and spirituality and join us for one of our "Guys Night Out - Hearing Men's Voices". We also now have a young men's group "Chaver" (ages 20-50) which will be having a variety of programs in addition to the regular Men's Club events.

As you know, we are well on our way to being successful...... but there is more to do for our shul, our community and our membership! However, it takes resources, both physical and financial!!! We need your help. Come join Men's Club, give some of your time and a few shekels while you are at it! Please note our Men's Club

application form that you received shows suggested annual dues of \$36, however, there are optional levels of membership contributions for all. Help make our program goals and objectives a reality and support Men's Club to the best of your ability! Please remember to send in a check or call the office (727-1747) with a pledge to be billed.

The monthly Men's Club Board meeting is every second Sunday at 9:30am following the Men's Club Ruach Minyan brunch. Come discuss how we can transform our club from a very active club with many programs to one that is even more inviting and engaging for all ages.

Please join us in our effort to build a stronger, new Men's Club for Kol Rinah!!!!

In brotherhood, Bob Olshan & Don Pearline Presidents, Kol Rinah Men's Club

Kol Rinah Men's Club Calendar - 2014

Every 3rd Shabbat Toasting Talmud and Torah

Jan TBD Make your own Tefillin - Kol Rinah Religious School 4th graders

TBD Sports Night

Feb 2 World Wide Wrap

Feb 16 Hearing Men's Voices (7 PM)

Mar 22 Men's Club Ruach Shabbat (with B'nai Amoona and Chicago FJMC folks)

Mar 23 Men's Club Man and Youth of the Year Luncheon, and FJMC Workshop

before 28 Apr Remember a Child - Yellow Candle - Yom HaShoa Program

May 17 or 18 Lag B'Omer Extravaganza - Bonfire, Beit Café, Gourmet Coffee & Chocolate

June 4 Shavout Keruv Program, Dinner and Tikun

Jewish Student Union (JSU) Gala

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February 22, 2014

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KRRS IN MOTION

On December 4th, KRRS families and other congregants helped to create a lovely ending to this special Hanukkah (Thanksgivakkah) by joining together for the last night of the holiday. Adding to the festivities was a roaming magician, Chuck Levy, from Abra-Kid-Abra and delicious food catered by Rachel Armoza. Families also carried out a tzedakah project by preparing packages of socks, water bottles, brownies, candy, ChapSticks and hand sanitizers to give to people in need. Todah rabah to Bill Solomon for his support of this celebration.

We held our first program for "MaHaKesher? (What's the Connection?") on December 8th facilitated by Rachel Armoza and our Religious School staff. This project was funded by a Crown Grant and is intended to have our families make connections with Israeli culture as well as with their own Jewish heritage. This session, "Israeli Leisure and Games", was for Pre-K/K, First Grade and ECC families where everyone was able to try out some activities and create some games of their own.

JANUARY 2014 – Check your e-mail for these upcoming events:

The second program for "MaHaKesher?" will take place the morning of **January 12th** at the St. Louis Art Museum. Families, students and teachers from the 6th, 7th and 8th grades will be given a tour to make connections with our Jewish cultural heritage at the museum.

January 18th is the next MifgaShabbat, beginning at 10:30 a.m.

On **January 19th**, the Religious School classes will take part in a day of Community Service and Family Snow Tubing. Watch for more details!

January 24-25 is the next Shabbaton, for our 6th and 7th graders, which will be held at B'nai Amoona. Information will be sent to all participants.

As school resumes on **January 5th**, please help your children to remember to bring tzedakah for Tikkun Olam, to help make the world a better place for others. Food products for the Jewish Food Pantry (in non-breakable containers) will also be appreciated.

As always, help us keep lines of communication open!

B'Shalom,

Paula Hertel

Interim Religious School Director

There's Still Time to Place Your Ad in the First Kol Rinah Directory

Our Kol Rinah Member Directory will include personal and business ads.

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- ☆ Commemorate a Simcha

Our staff and volunteers can craft the ad for you. Let us know you're interested and we'll do the rest Contact the office at 314.727.1747 or **Beth Levy** (call/text 314.616.7323, levybk@swbell.net) if you have questions. Ad materials need to be received by **January 24, 2014**. To place an ad, visit http://www.kolrinahstl.org/photo-directory/.

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 Information 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 Information 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 Fair Share Dues form that you received 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.

Thank you for Sharing Your Voice.



Marty Schaeffer marty@kolrinahstl.org





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DorWays: Families & Young Members

Jessica Wax Jessica@kolrinahstl.org

Thank you to everyone who celebrated the last night of Hanukkah with us at Kol Rinah. We had a wonderful night of good food, enjoying a magician, and participating in tzedakah projects. It was wonderful watching the children and adults get so involved in putting together care packages to donate to those less fortunate and writing/ decorating cards to be sent to soldiers. The care packages included socks, water, lotion, ChapStick, lotion, Kleenex, hand sanitizer, and treats. Participants were able to take bags with them to give to a homeless individual, and the remaining bags were given to a homeless shelter to give out. I put a few in my car and the next day was able to give it to someone. As he stood outside in the freezing rain I hope the bag we created made his day a little more comfortable. Thank you to Bill Solomon for sponsoring the evening and everyone who participated and celebrated with us.

Please mark your calendar for Kol Rinah's New Baby Shabbat on Saturday, January 11. This is a beautiful event where all Kol Rinah families with new babies join together on the Bimah for a special blessing. We hope you will join us to welcome our "newest" members. There will be a Rhythm n' Ruach family service that morning.

We will be having a DorWays movie night on Sunday, January 19 at 5:00 pm (there is no school the next day in honor of MLK day). We will have a fun night of pizza, popcorn, and a movie! Come in your pajamas and bring your blanket and pillow. Watch your email for more 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 Kol Rinah gym on Saturday, January 25 from 4:00-5:30. The gym is appropriate for children 5 and under.

B'Shalom.

Jessica Wax



Tasha Kaminsky tasha@kolrinahstl.org

December was a chilly blast for our youth department. KRSTL USY made a big impression at Kinnus in Kansas City with 12 members representing our synagogue! Please take a look at our pictures from our adventures. We wasted no time when we got back and celebrated the Magic of Hanukkah with the rest of our congregation's families. With latkes, dreidels, and a talented magician, Kol Rinah had a party that will not soon be forgotten. Best of all? We completed two great social action projects! We made a huge stack of holiday cards for our brave men and women overseas keeping our country safe, and we also made over 50 care packages for the homeless people of Saint Louis. All of this was made possible by the generous support of Bill Solomon.

This January is going to be just as busy. We are having our first big Mitzvah Day as Kol Rinah at 9:30 on January 19th. Come together with the entire congregation to support social action projects that will benefit our entire community. We're going to lend

support to the food pantry, the Backpack project, and more! After we do some good works, we're going to have even more fun by heading out to snow tube together at Hidden Valley. We really hope you'll help make this a successful and newsworthy day of service and fun. RSVP for yourself and your family to Tasha (tasha@kolrinahstl.org).

January 31st-February 2nd Kol Rinah will be hosting EMTZA region's Winter Shabbaton! Get ready to see nearly 100 Jewish teens celebrating Shabbat and learning together in our synagogue. If you haven't seen a USY convention before, you are in for a real treat. It's one of the most inspirational sights there is. Winter Shabbaton convention is a home stay event which means we will have to open our warm homes to teens from all over the region. Let's show Nebraska, Iowa, Minnesota, and Kansas what St. Louis hospitality is like! If you want to help support Winter Shabbaton and house some beautifully-behaved teens, please contact Tasha!

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.



Adult Education

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Since its organization, the Kol Rinah Adult Education Committee has been busy planning programs to meet the interests of congregants and the Jewish community in general. To that end, we need your support.

First, we need your input of ideas for programs of a Jewish religious and secular nature.

Second, we need your attendance, participation, and feedback.

Third, we need your donations to the Adult Education Fund to help cover the cost of honoraria, food, and other expenses. (This fund is separate from the Rabbi's and Scholar-in-Residence funds.)

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- 2. The Stuart I. Pessin Fund will award \$1,250 to two students in grades 9-12 participating on an Israel program in the spring, summer or fall of 2014. The awardees will be selected based on an essay, their activities in the Jewish community and commitment to continued Jewish education.
- The application deadline for this grant is January 27, 2014.
- 3. Need-based scholarship funds are also available for teens traveling to Israel in 2014. Scholarship awards typically range between \$250.00 and \$2,000.00 depending on length of trip and financial need. The application deadline for this grant is February 10, 2014.

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Wed Jan 1, 2014

New Year's Day

8am Shacharit - 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv

Thu Ian 2, 2014

Rosh Chodesh Sh'vat

See Minyan Times

7:30pm Coordinating Meeting - Library

Fri Jan 3, 2014

See Minyan Times

4:34pm Candle lighting

Sat Jan 4, 2014

Parashat Bo

9am Shabbat Service

10:30am Kidrash - Chapel

3:35pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/Ma'ariv

5:36pm Shabbat Ends

Sun Jan 5, 2014

See Minyan Times

9am Communications Meeting - Library

9:30am Camp Ben Frankel Presentation - Lower Level Lobby

9:30am Kol Rinah Religious School

10:15am KRRS Cooking Class - Auditorium

Mon Jan 6, 2014

See Minyan Times

9:45am Rabbi Fasman's Class - Sara Myers Room 106

Tue Jan 7, 2014

See Minyan Times

8am Jewish Ethics Class - Sara Myers Room 106

Wed Jan 8, 2014

See Minyan Times

8:15am Rabbi Fasman's Talmud Shiur

4:15pm KRRS

Thu Jan 9, 2014

See Minyan Times

7pm Kol Rinah Board Meeting

Fri Jan 10, 2014

See Minyan Times

4:40pm Candle lighting

Sat Jan 11, 2014

New Baby Shabbat

Parashat Beshalach

9am Shabbat Service

10:30am Kidrash - Chapel

11am Rhythm n' Ruach - Sara Meyers Room 106

3:45pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/Ma'ariv

5:43pm Shabbat Ends

Sun Jan 12, 2014

See Minyan Times

9am Communications Meeting - Library

9:30am Kol Rinah Religious School

9:30am Men's Club Board meeting - Auditorium

9:30am Sisterhood Meeting - Daily Chapel

Mon Jan 13, 2014

See Minyan Times

9:45am Rabbi Fasman's Class - Sara Myers Room 106

7pm Ritual Meeting - Sara Myers Room 106

Tue Jan 14, 2014

See Minyan Times

8am Jewish Ethics Class - Sara Myers Room 106 9:30am JCRC Council Mtng - Sara Myers Rm 106

10am Poetry Chavurah - Chapel

Wed Jan 15, 2014

See Minyan Times

8:15am Rabbi Fasman's Talmud Shiur

4:15pm KRRS

Thu Jan 16, 2014

Tu B'Shvat

See Minyan Times

Fri Jan 17, 2014

See Minyan Times

4:48pm Candle lighting

Sat Jan 18, 2014

Parashat Yitro

Women's League Shabbat

9am Shabbat Service

10am Nitzavim - a parallel (traditional)

intergenerational minyan - Daily Chapel

10:30am Kidrash - Sara Myers Room 106

12:30pm Toasting Talmud and Torah

3:50pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/Ma'ariv

5:49pm Shabbat Ends

Sun Jan 19, 2014

See Minyan Times

9am Communications Meeting - Library

9:30am Kol Rinah Religious School

9:30am Social Action day & Snow Tubing

for Noar, Kadima & USY

Mon Jan 20, 2014

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

See Minyan Times (non-holiday)

9:45am Rabbi Fasman's Class - Sara Myers Room 106

Tue Jan 21, 2014

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8am Jewish Ethics Class - Sara Myers Room 106

Wed Jan 22, 2014

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8:15am Rabbi Fasman's Talmud Shiur

4:15pm KRRS

Thu Jan 23, 2014

See Minyan Times

Fri Jan 24, 2014

See Minyan Times

4:55pm Candle lighting

Sat Jan 25, 2014

Donor Recognition Shabbat

Parashat Mishpatim

9am Shabbat Service

10:30am Kidrash- -Chapel

3:55pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/Ma'ariv

5:57pm Shabbat Ends

Sun Jan 26, 2014

See Minyan Times

9am Communications Meeting - Library

9:30am Kol Rinah Religious School

Mon Jan 27, 2014

See Minyan Times

9:45am Rabbi Fasman's Class - Sara Myers

Room 106

Tue Jan 28, 2014

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8am Jewish Ethics Class - Sara Myers Room 106

10am Poetry Chavurah - Chapel

7pm Website meeting - Library

Wed Jan 29, 2014

See Minyan Times

8:15am Rabbi Fasman's Talmud Shiur

11am Kindermusic - Room 101

4:15pm KRRS

Thu Jan 30, 2014

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Fri Jan 31, 2014

Rosh Chodesh Adar I

USY Regional Shabbaton@Kol Rinah

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5:03pm Candle lighting

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Give Life - Donate Blood and Give Food to Help Those in Need

Congregation Young Israel, in partnership with the American Red Cross and the Harvey Kornblum Jewish Food pantry (HKJFP), will host an event aimed at recruiting blood donors and collecting food to help those in need during crucial winter months. The St. Louis Jewish Community BloodDrive will take place on Sunday, January 12, 2014, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Young Israel of St. Louis, 8101 Delmar Boulevard in University City. This marks the seventh year for this event, which is endorsed and supported by the Jewish Social Action Network. It was started by Bob and Judy Hellman as a chesed project that everyone in the community can participate in and benefit from.

Both a blood drive and food drive are especially important at this time of year. During the holidays, many people do not make time to donate due to parties, shopping, traveling, etc. However, need does not take a holiday. Cancer patients need multiple blood units following extensive chemotherapy to restore their blood counts to normal. A blood drive during the winter is essential to keep an adequate supply of blood flowing to area hospitals.

The holidays can be particularly difficult for the hungry, as well. The HKJFP has seen a huge increase in the number of hungry mouths to feed in recent months. Marcia Mermelstein, Pantry Coordinator for the HKJFP, asks that people simply pick up a few extra items the next time they make a trip to the grocery store and bring them to this food drive. Items needed most include canned tuna, peanut butter, canned beans, and canned vegetables/fruits.

Aside from donating blood, community members can also volunteer and work where needed the day of the drive. Babysitting will be available for those with small children. This charitable event is open to anyone who would like to participate, regardless of religious affiliation. To schedule an appointment, go to www.givelife.org (sponsor code YIJS) or call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE. Walk-in donors are welcome, but appointments will take priority. Any questions, or for further information, contact Judy and Bob Hellman at jrhellman@sbcglobal.net or at 314-862-8432.

The Jewish Food Pantry Needs Our Help

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

- 1. Canned Tuna Fish
- 2. Canned Beef Stew and Canned Ravioli
- Any Type of Canned Vegetables (especially green beans, peas and mixed vegetables)
- 4. Healthy Soups
- 5. Kosher Food
- 6. Tomato Sauce and Spaghetti Sauce
- 7. Dry Pasta
- 8. Toilet Paper, Toothpaste, Toothbrushes, Hand Soap, Shampoo & Conditioner

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