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Kol Rinah is a dynamic and forward-looking congregation where all generations come together to experience Judaism in innovative ways. **Our mission** is to create a welcoming community that embraces Torah and meaningful worship, lifelong learning, music, Israel and Tikkun Olam, guided by the tenets of Conservative Judaism.

We embrace a diversity of Jews and Jewish families, including Jews by choice and Jews by birth, Jews of all hues, Jewish singles, couples, and families, interfaith households, LGBTQ Jews, Jews of all abilities and disabilities, the Jew-curious, and more! If there is anything we can do to make you more welcome or to accommodate your needs, please let us know.

Congratulations Sidney Guller!

Sidney will be honored for being an exceptional community philanthropist at this year's JF&CS Annual Gala, The Magic of Making a Difference, **Thursday, November 30 at 6:30pm**, at the Westport Sheraton.

The Gala will feature mystical cocktails followed by a spellbinding dinner of hope and celebration! Please wear cocktail attire. Tickets are \$125 per person or \$1,250 for a table of 10. Tickets are \$75 for attendees under 40. You may secure your reservation at www.jfcs-stl.org.

Buy a ticket and join the Kol Rinah table to honor Sidney Guller.



KR On The Move!

Kol Rinah 's project passed the City of Clayton architectural review board unanimously. The ARB approved our site plan and architectural review with minor conditions and recommended a Conditional Use Permit be granted by The Board of Alderman for the ECC.

Click the **On The Move** tab of our website menu for updates.

Our newsletter is designed by Tovah Enger with the invaluable help of her dedicated volunteer proofing team: Nancy Greene, Micki Kingsley, Cindy Payant & Sherri Sadon. **Thank you.**

A Message from Rabbi Arnow

Rabbi Noah Arnow - Senior Rabbi

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Law Meets Life at Kol Rinah

Part of the rabbinical school application asked applicants to read a few books from a list provided, and one of the books I read was *Rereading the Rabbis: A Woman's Voice*, by Judith Hauptman. I remember being inspired by the way Dr. Hauptman, a Professor of Talmud at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, read ancient texts closely to uncover the ways in which the rabbis of the Talmud were actually progressive, trying to improve the lot of women.

Five years later, I took a class with Rabbi Hauptman (she was ordained as a rabbi in the interim) in which we studied stories in the Talmud about aging. (I taught some of that material

last year here at Kol Rinah.) It was a delightful experience realizing that one of the great scholars of Talmud in our generation was also a down-to-earth, kind, and warm person and teacher. It didn't hurt that she had become friends with my parents!

November 3-5 we will be welcoming Rabbi Judith Hauptman to St. Louis. She'll be with us at Kol Rinah for Shabbat (Friday night and Saturday), and then will be at B'nai Amoona Sunday. Her visit is sponsored in part by the Hereld Institute for Jewish Studies at JTS and the Rabbi Bernard Lipnick Foundation for Conservative Judaism and the Sara and Leo Wolf Adult Education Fund.

Her talks the whole weekend will be on the theme, "When Law Meets Life." Friday evening we'll have services followed by dinner and then learning with Rabbi Hauptman on "Law and Narrative in the Talmud." She'll be looking at examples of how stories in the Talmud that immediately follow laws show how the rabbi modified the law to adapt it to real-life circumstances.

Saturday morning, she'll be speaking and teaching during and after services on "Women's Voices in the Talmud," looking at how women made changes in law in the Talmud.

Sunday morning at B'nai Amoona, she'll teach on "How Criticism by One Rabbi of Another Leads to Halakhic Innovation," looking at anecdotes of rabbis visiting one another.

Lest you think Rabbi Hauptman has only spent her time in the academy, know that she also started in 2004 *Ohe! Ayalah*, an organization that runs free Passover seders and High Holiday services for 20- and 30-somethings in New York.

She embodies "When Law Meets Life." I hope you will join us for an intellectually and spiritually stimulating weekend with a world-class scholar who is also one of the most charming and beloved teachers I know.

Alzheimer's Shabbat Saturday, November 18

Memory Care Home Solutions' Program Director Jill Cigliana will speak during services and following a special kiddush will lead a session called Questions and Answers on Dementia and Family Care Giving.

Congratulations to Nancy and Al Siwak, who are being honored by Memory Care Home Solutions at the Chase on November 16.

For more information:
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Jill Cigliana



Nancy and Al Siwak

Mazel Tov!

November Birthdays

Nira Asher Geller, Sharon Rosenberg, Erica Buchalter, Jackie Fenster, Nancy Drake, Jennifer Rogers, Sandra Goldford, Dorothy Goldstein, Herbert Fredman, Karen Rader, Patricia Rosen, Betty Siegel, Julia Iken, Leslee Small, Patsy Spector, Joel Allen, Barbara Shamir, Margaret Israel, Marsha Portman, Estelle Handler, Alisa Reichman, Jonathan Zoller, William Solomon, Gene Barken, Henry Lega, Rose Malt, Linda Biggs, Byron Katcher, Aaron Mandel, Elaine Tenzer, Siegfried Adler, Marilyn Dien, Rachel Gottlieb, Sidney Guller, Abraham Horowitz, Steven Kayman, Michael Neidorff, Garry Vickar, Michael Wetmore, Susan Allen, Aaron Schwartz, Gail Appleson, Peggy Nehmen, Linda Makler, Trina Schukar, Aviva Buck-Yael, Phyllis Kalmes, Isabelle Schultz, David Cooperstein, Steven Aroesty, Diane Kopitsky, Cynthia Vickar, Carol Adler, Brenda Grossman, Sima Needleman

November Anniversaries

Sasha & Blair Kweskin
Samuel & Nadine Wilk
Aaron & Molly Schwartz
Harold & Karen Karabell
Michael & Gina Bernstein
Christopher & Rebecca Mollett
Jonathan & Stephanie Zoller
Adam & Alison Lewkowitz
Marvin & Doris Lerner
Steve & Darien Arnstein
Henry & Esther Claire Lega
Mark & Alice Fasman
Stephen & Nancy Keyser
Michael Greenfield & Claire Halpern
Harvey & Jackie Fenster
Donald & Joanne Singer
Hanford & Katherine Gross
Maurice & Rachel Guller
Marc & Elaine Tenzer

December Birthdays

Golda Cohen, Mark Engel, Marilyn Kunitz, Carol Battle, Julia Lieberman, Alan Portman, Leonid Shmuylovich, Leslie Birenbaum, Marcia Brockman, Miriam Nova, Susan Roth, Kim Jacobs, Karen Karabell, Cindy Payant, Penny Alper, Alisa Cooperstein, Zachary Leeds, Joshua Porter, Fred Handler, Thomas Goldenberg, Roberta Fine, Rosalyn Margulis, Robin Ehrlich, Richard Gavatin, Rhiannon Kaye, David Gellman, Jeremy Shanas, Albert Weltman, Caren Goldstein, Burton Boxerman, Joanna Carra, Marvin Lerner, Rita Rothschild, Suzanne Broddon, Betty Novick, C.W. Scherer, Joyce Eisenberg, Aaron Bobick, Andrew Rehfeld, Nancy Siwak, Danny Gurvis, Stephen Arnstein, Adam Brok, Josh Chaise, David Geller, Sandra Taryle, Rabbi Micah Buck-Yael, Ellen Harken, Scott Kaar, Sue Propper

December Anniversaries

Robert & Joyce Olshan
Noah & Tammy Arnow
Marvin & Ginger Marcus
Benjamin & Rosetta Weintraub
David & Sue Cort
Howard & Jodi Granok
Ralph & Mimi Graff
Michael & Harriet Shanas
Mark & Amy Rubin
Alan & Bonnie Templeton
Merwyn & Maxine Kalina
Louis & Roberta Fine
Michael & Nancy Drake
Stan Braude & Nancy Berg
Rolf & Shelby Cooke
Mendel & Sandra Rosenberg
Tony & Carole Granillo

**Birthdays and Anniversaries are listed chronologically*

Thank You

With loving thanks for good wishes for our anniversary and my birthday.

The Pearlstones

Thank you to the Women's Social Group of Kol Rinah with warmest thanks for your thoughtfulness and birthday wishes.

Beverly Rehfeld

Thank you for sending best wishes for our 57th anniversary.

Sig and Carol Adler

Condolences to the Families Of

Gloria Bender

Stanley Gollub

Pearl Hendin

Eva Jacobson Raskin

Liz Guller Shen

KR Fundraising

There are many ways to support our Kol Rinah Community...

★ Contribute to a Synagogue

Kiddush - Contact the office

314.727.1747

★ Sponsor a Sisterhood Kiddush

Sue Propper: 314.395.1349 or

suemeryl@charter.net

★ Join Sisterhood, Women's Social Group or Men's Club

★ Support our Youth

★ Donate a Car



★ Make a Tribute to a Fund

Go to kolrinahstl.org

★ Use Schnuck's Scrip

Contact the office to learn how.

President's Message

Randi Mozenter - Kol Rinah President

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It's About the Relationships

I woke abruptly at 5:30 this morning thinking about relationships and upcoming meetings and what was important and what, not so much.

Over this High Holiday season, I've been thinking more and more about what makes life enriching and satisfying and gives us a sense of resilience and reassurance; in the good times and in the not so good times.

For me, and I believe for most of us, it's our relationships. I'm not just talking about our family and our closest friends, however those are of utmost importance. I'm also thinking about the day-to-day relationships. The interactions between co-workers and casual acquaintances and even strangers on the street.

I'm talking about the daily interactions with casual acquaintances in the grocery store or with people we've just met or with people we don't know and will perhaps never know. They give us a little bit of themselves as we cross paths or they give us an unexpected compliment on a day when it really makes a difference.

And I'm also thinking about the lifelong friends we've had since childhood, those important cultivated relationships formed during those formative years of high school or college, perhaps the connections we've made when our children were young and we needed a village, or those surprising and satisfying relationships that develop in our middle or older ages.

To me, personally, those friendships that develop as a somewhat older adult have been the most surprising and satisfying on a whole new, unexpected, level. I did not expect to be making new close friends in my 50s. Perhaps that was shortsighted of me, as some of my mother's closest

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friendships took root during her 70s. Perhaps it's because as we get older, hopefully, we become more aware and tolerant of our strengths and our challenges and we become more accepting of who we are and what that means.

Perhaps we finally feel that we have less to prove. Perhaps we are freed of some of the fears and anxieties of earlier stages of life so that we can focus more on what's truly important to us. Perhaps we finally believe that we can show the more authentic version of ourselves and that's okay.

These are my early morning spontaneous, free association, High Holiday season ponderings. I can honestly say that my whole life has been centered around relationships in one way or another. I am a relationship person. The quality of my interactions

and interpersonal pursuits is what I value most and what keeps me feeling satisfied and motivated and enriched. And what wakes me up way too early.

Thanks to my old friends and my new. Thanks for joining with me to work for something about which we care deeply. Thanks for indulging my vision and my dream and sharing in it. My tent still has plenty of room within it. Come join me for a bit; a season, a reason or a lifetime, as that old saying goes.

Most fondly and gratefully,

Randi

In September you helped raise \$136.02 for Kol Rinah Operations with Schnucks Scrip. Call Nancy in the office to have a card sent to you.

We thank you!

You can now pay your member support on-line by going to the tribute page and under "Fund" select "Member Support".

<http://www.kolrinahstl.org/tribute/>

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Sisterhood

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Thank you for the Sisterhood Kiddushes to:

Nira and David Geller who will sponsor a Kiddush, November 4th to celebrate Nira's 80th birthday;

Steve and Nancy Keyser who will sponsor a Kiddush, November 25th over the Thanksgiving Holiday in celebration of their 10th wedding anniversary;

Bill Solomon who will sponsor the annual Karen Solomon Memorial Luncheon on December 2nd. Services that day will honor new members of the congregation; and

Faye Keyser Seudah Fund for underwriting the Break the Fast dinner again, and for having Sisterhood cater the event at the end of Yom Kippur.

As always, if you would like to sponsor a Sisterhood Kiddush, please contact

SuePropper-suemeryl@charter.net, or call the office. We'll be happy to help every step of the way.

Membership – you should have received a letter asking for renewal of your Sisterhood membership. Please return the stub with your dues before year end. If you are not a member, you should have received a letter requesting that you consider and join Sisterhood. Your dues help us support almost every aspect of our congregation. Any questions, please contact me or Janice Shenker, Vice President of Membership.

Please consider that since our Gift Shop closed, our main sources of income are Sisterhood Tributes, dues, and Kiddushes. We appreciate your support of them all.

Sisterhood Shabbat – January 20, 2018. If you would like to participate,

please let me know. Your ideas and help are always welcome.

Annual Trivia Night – a joint Sisterhood and Men's Club event, Saturday night February 17, 2018. Burton Boxerman is about to start thinking of categories and questions, so it's not too early to start thinking about getting a group together. There are several opportunities to sponsor tables and rounds. If you haven't participated in one of Kol Rinah's trivia nights, you'll be in for a delightful evening.

The Thanksgiving holiday is just around the corner. Take time with your family and friends to be grateful for what we do have and consider others who aren't as fortunate.

And get out your Chanukiah (menorah) so it will be clean and shiny for Tuesday, December 12th when you light the first candle.



NIGHT AT CASABLANCA

A Jewish Moroccan Dinner

and a magical Moroccan Cultural Experience



Nov. 12 * 6:30 pm
\$18 per person
\$16 for Men's Club members and their families
RSVP by November 6
to the office or at kolrinahstl.org/mensclub

Men's Club

Max Brown - Men's Club President

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An Invitation To Do Jewish

Men's Club supports or sponsors more than 12 events each year. We always try to have a Jewish emphasis or twist for most of those events. Our goal is to do Jewish. Perhaps one of the most Jewish things one could do is to be a regular minyan attendee. So, consider the following.

In Numbers 14:27, the word edah (assembly or congregation) is applied to the assembly of 10 spies who returned a negative report on the land of Canaan. In Psalm 82, the same word, edah, is applied to the divine assembly: God stands in the divine edah (assembly); among the divine beings God pronounces judgment.

Therefore, the Rabbis extrapolated that a congregation or assembly is comprised of at least 10 Jews. And an assembly must be present when God is being sanctified. Examples of such sanctification are the recitation

of Kaddish (including Mourner's Kaddish), Kedushah and Barchu — none of which can be recited without a minyan — 10 adult Jews.

By the way, several of our weekday morning services at Kol Rinah, as well as some evening services are struggling to have a minyan, a divine assembly. Will you exercise your power of 10 and help make a divine edah, a divine assembly?

Weekday morning services begin at 7am, except for Sunday and holidays such as Thanksgiving, which begin at 8am. They meet in the chapel and are usually finished within one hour. Following the service, except Sunday mornings, breakfast is available in the Sara Myers Community Room.

Weekday evening services begin at 6pm, except for Saturday, which varies with the end of Shabbat. Evening

services also meet in the chapel and usually last 45 minutes or less.

Use the Amherst entrance for minyanim.

It would be wonderful if you would pick one day a week — morning or evening — to become a regular member of a divine assembly — a minyan.

What's Ahead

Sunday, Nov. 5, 1pm - Dad and Me Bowling Party at Olivette Lanes

Sunday, Nov. 12, 6:30pm - Night at Casablanca

Sunday, Dec. 3, 9:30am - KRRS Build Your Own Hannukiah

Sunday, Dec. 10, 7pm - Guys Night Out - Poker, Dreidel & Games Night



Max Brown



Scott Kaar



Eric and Ben Flug

Men's Club Golf Outing



Michael Greenfield

Membership

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The membership committee is busy with its focus of working on programs and outreach to our new and long standing members. We strive to work within the framework of our mission statement and coordinate with other committees.

This fall we welcomed several new families – Jacob and Jessica Mirowitz and son Ethan, Chris and Rebecca Mollett and daughters Samantha and Madison, Ken and Ruth Sandler, Andrew and Nancy Rosman. and Barbara Sherer and daughter Sarah Sherer Kohlburn. We are happy you have joined us and we hope to see you throughout the year.

We had several new faces come to our High Holiday services through our 'open door- no ticket required' program. We look forward to reaching out to them as well. Having one of our special security members on hand to take their contact information will help us in this endeavor.

October was full of many calendar holiday opportunities to celebrate together. As this article is going to print, we are in the process of incorporating a new program for Kol Rinah where we honor our Sages – our long standing members of the honorable age of 80 years and more. It is scheduled for October 28. First each honoree received a personal phone call inviting them to Shabbat morning services followed by a printed invitation. The service is to include a blessing for them all. Tammy Arnow has plans for some of our youngest

worshippers to offer a tribute in song. We also asked our Sages to share a piece of wisdom. The Keyser Fund is our sponsor for a wonderful kiddish lunch. Many hands helped plan this and we thank them all.

Our next event is December 2 where we welcome our new members who have joined since January 2017. We hope you will come and greet them on this Shabbat morning.

We are looking forward to more programs in the coming calendar

year that will be fun and entertaining for all ages. We have our sights set on another 'Boomer' age gathering after a successful Friday night dinner last spring. Our budding artists had so much fun at Paint with a Twist last June that we are planning it again in connection to one of our winter Jewish holidays. And we are gearing up for a family fun Purim event to be announced soon.

Please let us know if we can be of service to any of you as your membership committee.



It's 60+ Lunch & BINGO!

Wednesday, Nov. 1 at NOON

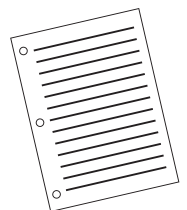


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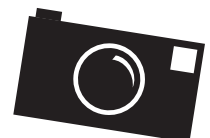
Have you kept Kol Rinah Board or Committee meeting minutes?

If you have minutes or notes from any year of Kol Rinah, or either legacy congregation, please email them (digital text or scans) to Meir Zimand, meir@kolrinahstl.org. Our goal is to eventually have an as-complete-as-possible record of our shul on hard drive as well as an online access for Committee members to review.



Do you have photos from Kol Rinah or either legacy congregation?

We're planning a photo cache! We're looking for photos with faces and activity. Best/largest quality digital possible (or good scan of historic prints). Please bring them in to the office on a disc or thumb drive.



Kol Rinah Religious School

Rabbi Scott Shafrin - Religious School Director

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Building Relational Leadership

Well, we made it through all of the fall holidays and are well into the month of Heshvan. I want to thank everyone who helped out, ushered, gabbai-ed, organized, planned and gave their time and energy toward making Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot, Hoshana Rabba, Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah such meaningful and joyful holidays.

As we start the year in earnest with our regular schedules each week, I have been thinking about what it is that our students, parents, and community members have been learning from one another. We have an incredible group of students in the Kol Rinah Religious School from ages 5-16, but also a dedicated group of about a dozen parents who have spent some time learning together each and every Sunday since the beginning of the year. And something that has come up in our learning, over and over again, is a need to feel connected, supported,

and even encouraged in the project of renewing Jewish life for themselves and their families.

We have a beautiful community with a colorful mosaic of backgrounds, experiences, traditions, passions, and skills. The best thing we can do is reach out, meet one another, and share some of those experiences to help one another become more creative with our own Jewish lives. Many families are constantly looking for new ways to enhance the Jewish experiences they already share, and new experiences to open their eyes to the possibilities of being a Jewish seeker in the modern world.

Our Jewish learning never stops, but should offer us new and exciting avenues for learning. This is why this year, our Religious School has been expanding our scope of activities, while each class focuses on specific Big Ideas that weave throughout the

year. Students have been delving deeper into Jewish ritual and prayer. Since the start of this school year, we have been meeting each Wednesday night with our regular minyan and joining them for services. Also new this year, every MifgaShabbat service (for Kindergarten-5th grade students), which we hold twice a month, is featuring a different grade level. ANY families with children in that grade are invited to join in both our MifgaShabbat service from 10:30-11:45 as well as get special recognition in our main service as Youth Leaders in the synagogue. Please look at the schedule on our website or in your emails each week to see who will be leaders for that week.

I look forward to learning from each of you throughout the years ahead.

Kol tuv,

Rabbi Scott Shafrin

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For information Contact: karenjoyrader@gmail.com
Go to KolRinahStL.org for **itinerary and application**

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THE DATE**



Barnes & Noble Bookfair

**Week of November 12th
Barnes & Noble Ladue Crossing**

Come support Kol Rinah Early Childhood Center

- Attend the ECC event on Sunday, November 12th
- Shop all week long in store and online using code 12237608
 - In-store Starbucks café purchases included
- Start your holiday shopping with a great selection of books, games and educational toys

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Early Childhood Education

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At KRECC we are proud of the many things that make our school unique. Our early childhood center is family oriented, with many of our families living around the block from school. This year we wanted to try something different for our back to school event. In the spirit of families getting to know each other better, we had a back to school social at Shaw Park. The children had a great time running through the splash pad, swinging, and climbing on the playground equipment, while parents had the opportunity to connect with other parents.

During Rosh Hashanah, Rabbi Shafrin dropped by the ECC classrooms to blow the shofar. At our family program,

kids picked apples off trees and sorted them by color, sifted through a sensory bin of oats to discover symbols of Rosh Hashanah, and traced and colored apples and honey coloring pages. During Sukkot, Rabbi Arnow stopped by classrooms to show a lulav and etrog. Families also joined us on Sukkot for a pasta dinner in the sukkah. (see back cover)

Last year we held our book fair at Barnes and Noble. It was such a great success that we will be doing it again this year. On November 12, our Preschool Parent Organization is organizing a family event at Barnes and Noble. Just like last year, the book fair will be open for a week, during

which time families can make in-store or online purchases using a specific code (see ad on page 10). Our school will get a percentage back from all the purchases so start thinking about holiday gifts.

Jewish Food Pantry November List

1. Canned Tuna Fish and Salmon
2. Peanut Butter
3. Canned Fruit (all types)
4. Canned Chili/Beef/Pasta with Meat
5. Kosher Food
6. Any Type of Canned Vegetables
7. Toothpaste, Toothbrushes & Diapers

Thank you. For more info, contact Louise Levine 636.227.1259.

Adult Education

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Adult Education Committee presents:
Jews, Past, Present and Future

Our Committee (re)presents a program but with partially new content.

Jews, Past, Present and Future will address the evolving definitions of "who is a Jew?" We will discuss Jewish Law, some DNA concepts and, predominantly, discuss what factors contribute to how we look at that question.

How did they define a Jew in Biblical times, in Talmudic/Rabbinic times? What were the effects of Jews living in Ghettos or ghetto-like settings for many of the centuries between the Temple period and now?

What about intermarriage? What about conversion?

There are many questions to answer and we would like to present *some* of the answers.

This time we are planning to have a Lunch & Learn on a Shabbat and then follow-up with a program the next day, on a Sunday morning.

One of our goals with these presentations is to introduce you to our **Discussion Group**.

The Adult Education's Discussion Group has been active for several years now and we hold most of our meetings in members' homes.

You are welcome to participate. We do emphasize reading, learning and preparing for these "at home" meetings.

For these upcoming public meetings, however, we do not require any advanced study, just bring your questions and your curiosity.

We have no date yet for this program, but as soon as we know, we'll send out announcements to the congregation.

Questions or comments?
Contact Ralph and Richard.

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 וְאֶת כָּל יְתֵדֵת הַחֲצֵר סִבִּיב וְכֵן

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What a fantastic start to the year! Back in mid-September, three of our USY members attended the 2017 Leadership Training Institute at Congregation Beth Shalom in Overland Park, Kansas. Pardes, our USY President shared some reflections:

"LTI was an awesome experience. I got new ideas for my position as Chapter President and I saw my other board members grow as emerging leaders. Saturday night we did an activity in which we were asked to write compliments to our peers. We wrote them on little pieces of paper and the staff delivered them. We were encouraged to write to a lot of people, not just our friends, which really united us as a community."

As I write this, our youth are sitting in front of me, in our youth lounge enjoying snacks, doing "ice-breakers" to get to know each other and smiling. Maybe that seems small or insignificant—that they are smiling—but I assure you it is not.

Do you remember Middle School? How about High School? If not, here is a reminder—it's really hard; and I assure you, it's gotten harder. These kids are drowning in homework, overloading themselves with extra-curricular activities/clubs/sports and barely have a minute to stop and breathe. They talk about being up all night writing papers, studying and trying to grasp concepts that I don't recall even being introduced to until college. And yet, these same kids come to the youth lounge for our

weekly meetings. They come in the door and they smile. They sit and talk to each other and they smile. They ask each other questions and vent to each other their trials and tribulations of the day. They eat, sometimes the first chance they have had all day. They smile.

As I watch them, I find myself smiling, and I realize that there is something significant about this space and this group we have created. Not only do these kids feel comfortable opening up to each other, they look forward to it. No matter how long their day has been, they show up Tuesday night and they participate in activities and discussions. They play games and create art. They learn and grow as young Jews. They aspire to do more, make a difference, change the world. And yes, they smile.

We have many exciting programs ahead of us including themed lounge nights, holiday celebrations, relaxing movie nights, a Shabbaton, community service projects and are even looking

ahead to 2018 and our annual Purim carnival! What will this year's theme be? Stay tuned!

In the next issue of *The Voice* I will write more in depth about USY and Kadima's Social Action/Tikkun Olam (SA/TO) theme for this year, "everyone deserves a childhood." When Maayan Gazit, our SA/TO VP introduced this to our group, I was both honored and humbled. This year, USY and Kadima will be working with Ranken Jordan Pediatric Bridge Hospital. Those of you who know me know that by day, I am a Social Worker for this incredible hospital—the only hospital of its kind in the country. I am thrilled to see how these two worlds of mine will combine as our teens reach out to a population of children with disabilities and complex illnesses that often rob them of the childhood they so richly deserve. I look forward to sharing more with you in the months to come.

"Use your smile to change the world, don't let the world change your smile." -Anonymous



BOWLING

Sunday, Nov. 5
1:00 p.m

Olivette Lanes
9520 Olive Blvd.
\$18 fee

INCLUDES:

- Bowling shoes
- 2 lines of bowling
- Kosher pizza for dad and the kids.

RSVP by November 1st



Dad and Me
Bowling
Party

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1 Wed
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
9:30am ECC Movement Class - Sara Myers Rm 106
12pm 60 Plus Lunch & Bingo - Aud
4:15pm Hebrew School

2 Thu
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
9am Study Pesach with Rabbi Shulamit Cener - Sara Myers Rm 106
7pm Builders Beit Midrash: Creating Law and Authority - Mirowitz
7pm Hebrew for Beginners: Learn the Aleph-Bet - ECC Office

3 Fri
Rabbi Judith Hauptman SIR
7am Shacharit
9:30am ECC Yoga - Sara Myers Rm 106
5:41pm Candle Lighting
6pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Ma'ariv - Mirowitz
7:15pm SIR Dinner
8:15pm SIR - Law & Narrative in the Talmud

4 Sat
Parashat Vayeira
Rabbi Judith Hauptman SIR
9am Shabbat Service - Mirowitz
10am Shabbat Club - Daily Chapel Alcove
12:30pm SIR - Women's Voices in the Talmud
4:35pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/Ma'ariv
6:38pm Havdalah

5 Sun
8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
9am Comm Mtng - ECC Office
9:30am KRRS
10:15am SIR - How Criticism by One Rabbi of Another Leads to Halakhic Innovation -
Congregation B'nai Amoona
1pm Dad & Me Bowling Party -
Olivette Lanes, 9520 Olive Blvd, 63132

6 Mon
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
7pm Hebrew for Beginners: Learn the Aleph Bet - ECC Office

7 Tue
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
8am "When All You've Ever Wanted Isn't Enough" - Sara Myers Rm 106
7:30pm USY Lounge Night - Carriage House 7709 Maryland Ave

8 Wed
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
9:30am ECC Movement Class - Sara Myers Rm 106
10am Kol Rinah Women's Social Group Mtng - Daily Chapel
4:15pm Hebrew School
6:30pm Calendar Mtng

9 Thu
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
9am Study Pesach with Rabbi Shulamit Cener - Sara Myers Rm 106
7pm Builders Beit Midrash: Creating Law and Authority - Mirowitz
7pm Hebrew for Beginners: Learn the Aleph-Bet - ECC Office

10 Fri
7am Shacharit
9:30am ECC Yoga - Sara Myers Rm 106
4:34pm Candle Lighting
6pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Ma'ariv - Mirowitz

11 Sat
Parashat Chayei Sarah
Veterans Shabbat
9am Shabbat Service - Mirowitz
10:30am MifgaShabbat - Daily Chapel
10:45am Rhythm 'n' Ruach
3:30pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/Ma'ariv
5:32pm Havdalah

12 Sun
8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
9am Communications Mtng - ECC Office
9:30am KRRS
9:30am Men's Club Board Mtng
9:30am Sisterhood Mtng
6:30pm Night at Casablanca Moroccan Dinner - Sara Myers Rm 106

13 Mon
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
7pm Hebrew for Beginners: Learn the Aleph Bet - ECC Office

14 Tue
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
8am "When All You've Ever Wanted Isn't Enough" - Sara Myers Rm 106
11:30am ECC Family Thanksgiving Program
7pm Capital Campaign committee Mtng - Sara Myers Rm 106
7:30pm USY Lounge Night - Carriage House 7709 Maryland Ave

15 Wed
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
9:30am ECC Movement Class - Sara Myers Rm 106
4:15pm Hebrew School
6:30pm Ritual Mtng - Sara Myers Rm 106

16 Thu
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
9am Study Pesach with Rabbi Shulamit Cener - Sara Myers Rm 106
7pm Builders Beit Midrash: Creating Law and Authority - Mirowitz
7pm Hebrew for Beginners: Learn the Aleph-Bet - ECC Office
7pm Kol Rinah Board Mtng

17 Fri
7am Shacharit
9:30am ECC Yoga - Sara Myers Rm 106
4:28pm Candle Lighting
6pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Ma'ariv - Mirowitz

18 Sat
Parashat Toldot
9am Shabbat Service - Mirowitz
3:30pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/Ma'ariv
5:28pm Havdalah

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Sun
Rosh Chodesh Kislev
8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
9am Communications Mtng - ECC Office
9:30am KRRS

20
Mon
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
7pm Hebrew for Beginners: Learn the Aleph Bet - ECC Office

21
Tue
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
8am "When All You've Ever Wanted Isn't Enough" - Sara Myers Rm 106
6:30pm Finance Mtng - Sara Myers Rm 106
7:30pm USY Lounge Night - Carriage House 7709 Maryland Ave

22
Wed
No Hebrew School (Thanksgiving Break)
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
9:30am ECC Movement Class - Sara Myers Rm 106

23
Thu
ECC Closed (Thanksgiving Break)
8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv

24
Fri
ECC Closed (Thanksgiving Break)
7am Shacharit
4:24pm Candle Lighting
6pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Ma'ariv - Mirowitz

25
Sat
Parashat Vayeitzei
9am Shabbat Service - Mirowitz
3:25pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/Ma'ariv
5:25pm Havdalah

26
Sun
NO KRRS (Thanksgiving Break)
8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
9am Communications Mtng - ECC Office

27
Mon
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
7pm Hebrew for Beginners: Learn the Aleph Bet - ECC Office

28
Tue
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
8am "When All You've Ever Wanted Isn't Enough" - Sara Myers Rm 106
7pm Capital Campaign committee Mtng - Sara Myers Rm 106
7:30pm USY Lounge Night - Carriage House 7709 Maryland Ave

29
Wed
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
9:30am ECC Movement Class - Sara Myers Rm 106
4:15pm Hebrew School

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Thu
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
9am Study Pesach with Rabbi Shulamit Cenker - Sara Myers Rm 106
5pm ECC Staff Mtng - Auditorium
7pm Builders Beit Midrash: Creating Law and Authority - Mirowitz
7pm Hebrew for Beginners: Learn the Aleph-Bet - ECC Office
7pm Personnel Committee Mtng - Sara Myers Rm 106

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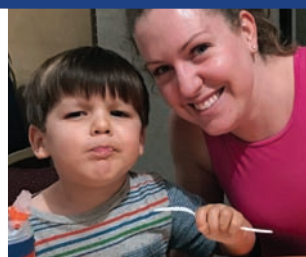


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Men's Club Assembling the Sukkah

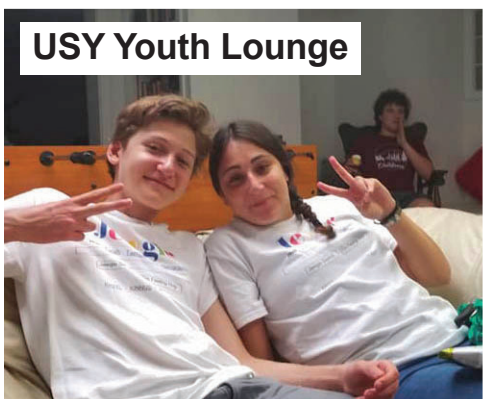


ECC Sukkah Dinner



Tashlich at Oak Knoll

USY Youth Lounge



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