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Upcoming Events

- Fri Sep 8** Services and Shabbat Dinner with Rabbi David Jaffe
- Sun Sep 10** KR Community Golf Outing
- Sat Sep 16** Selichot & program
- Wed-Fri Sep 20-22** EREV & ROSH HASHANAH
- Sun Sep 24** FAST OF GEDALIAH
- Fri-Sat Sep 29-30** EREV & YOM KIPPUR

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Sign up to volunteer for our High Holidays by September 10th!

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KR Fun Night Out



Kol Rinah Leadership

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Kol Rinah welcomes everyone. This means YOU!

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 to...

Rabbi Noah Arnow

The St. Louis Rabbinical Association (SLRA) has elected him as its new president.

Aaron Vickar

"That's a winner! USA Junior Hockey team takes home gold at Israel Maccabiah - Hockey in Jerusalem". Find the St. Louis Jewish Light article online:

www.stljewishlight.com/news/local/article_8b9bebd9-720f-11e7-9b3a-bbe7e6ced55f.html

Kol Rinah Men's Club

Under the leadership of Max Brown and Bob Olshan KRMC has been awarded a Torch Award for our Mazon HaOlam program. Mazon HaOlam is the name given to our Sushi and Saki Shabbat, a Taste of India and the forthcoming Night at Casablanca. (article on p.10)

KR On The Move!

Our architects, Patterhn- Ives, have completed the Design Development phase and are shepherding our project through the required permitting process in the city of Clayton.

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

A Message from Rabbi Arnow

Rabbi Noah Arnow - Senior Rabbi

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Renewing the High Holidays

What is the quality you are seeking when you arrive at shul on Rosh Hashanah or Yom Kippur? And by “quality” I mean the essence, attributes, or characteristics of the experience. There are so many different things for which we yearn at High Holiday services.

Is what matters to you relational—seeing, being and interacting with people you care about? Is it participation—co-creating the experience? Is it spiritual—all about the inner prayer experience you have? Or is it intellectual—about what you learn, study, think about and are challenged by at shul? Perhaps the music and singing are the essence for you. For some, the focus is nostalgia—a taste and feeling of how it used to be, of how it's always been. For some the crucial feature is a sense of obligation or duty—to serve God, fulfill mitzvot, or to do what a Jew does. The quality we seek may be for others—our partner, our children, our parents, and we may just be along for the ride. Some use the time to do personal reflective work, and seek a sense of renewal, rededication, repentance, atonement. For most of us, it's a combination. Which of these resonate for you? What's missing from this list?

As we approach the High Holidays this year, by necessity, we'll have new opportunities for us to express and create many different qualities of the Yamin Noraim (Days of Awe) experience.

Necessity is the mother of invention, and constraints and limitations breed creativity and innovation. We don't this year have a space we can all fit in together, so we have an opportunity to have two services running concurrently during times of peak attendance. In two services, we can create more intimate, differentiated experiences with much more opportunity for congregants to participate and take leadership roles. I'm eagerly anticipating the energy created by being in smaller, more intimate prayer spaces that will feel more full.

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When we have two services running, Rabbi Shafrin and I will be leading a more experimental prayer experience in one space while our talented congregants will be leading a more traditional service. Each day, we'll be giving our sermons in every service, so you'll hear the same sermon wherever you're sitting. I'm so excited about having the chance to be more creative in the way we approach some of the liturgy.

Throughout the holidays, we'll have learning led by various teachers, including Rabbis Micah Buck-Yael and Jessica Shafrin, running alongside the

services, letting us meet a wider range of interests at the same time.

I know many people will miss having services in our sanctuary, and I'm one of them. My favorite moment of Rosh Hashanah, and at Kol Rinah generally, the last two years has been the Shofar service the first day, when the entire congregation—every single person—crams into the sanctuary to be together, to hear the shofar together. I always tear up, if you hadn't noticed. I'll really miss that this year, when there's no space that can accommodate us all at once. And I know for some people, the sanctuary at our 829 N. Hanley Rd. building is the only space they remember being for the High Holidays, going back decades and decades. These memories are holy, and we can and must hold them dear to our hearts.

For those of us who will be missing having things the way they were, I hope that we can also open ourselves to different and new ways of experiencing these Days of Awe.

May we all have moments and experiences that move us, nourish us, sustain us, and inspire us, and may we each be a part of experiences that move, nourish, sustain and inspire those around us.

Mazel Tov!

September Birthdays

Howard Granok, Michael Paley, Blair Kweskin, Alexis Porter, Rosalyn Schwartz, Alex Shimony, Alan Weinberger, Meir Zimand, Zachary Buhler, Anya Cerulo, Emily Goldenhersh, Beth Levy, Molly Schwartz, Donald Siegel, Isabelle Vickar, Nelson Vickar, Nadine Wilk, Ralph Graff, Adam Scherer, Neal Goldford, Rachel Haspiel, Abigail Miller, Ilana Rosman, Emma Greenberg-Rehfeld, Simon Leeds, Wendy Anderson, Wendy Huss, Steven Brown, Michael Cannon, Joshua Carter Petrofsky, Henry Rosenblum, Ben Barzilai, Anthony Chaboude, Marvin Foster, Enid Tennenbaum, Eliana Wax, Tovah Enger, Richard Kodner, Ginger Marcus, Michael Gartenberg, Mendel Rosenberg, Michael Faccini, Robert Boxerman, Susan Brown, Sophie Aroesty, Steven Birenbaum, Dana Emmenegger, Robert Glick, Michael Rosen, Joan Barzilai, Gina Bernstein, Alyssa Burke, Brett Fox, Esther Goldenberg, Rick Lerner, Maxine Lipeles Goldstein, Hoben Greenberg-Rehfeld, Jacob Sheldon, Jessica Sheldon, Joseph Sparks, Bruce Sabin

September Anniversaries

Byron & Audrey Katcher
C.W. Scherer & Barbara Lowes
Aaron & Cynthia Vickar
Marshall & Sara Myers
Michael Shoykhet & Stephanie Berk
Kenneth & Cheryl Stein
Mitchell & Joyce Podolsky
Andrew Rehfeld & Miggie Greenberg
Marc & Lvav Spector
Louis & Susan Albert
Thomas & Esther Goldenberg

**Birthdays and Anniversaries listed chronologically*

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.**

October Birthdays

Susan Albert, Marilyn Evans, Miggie Greenberg, Maurice Guller, Claire Halpern, Dovran Olshan, Andrea Rosenblum, Leigh Sher, Barbara Meyers, Laurie Furman, Hallel Arnow, Marian Katz, Omri Praiss, Phyllis Bynum, Mildred Hoffman, Joyce Podolsky, Klara Rybak, Linda Gavatin, Joshua Ettinger, Grace Kalina, Janet Jacob, Michael Shoykhet, Marvin Marcus, Mary Ellen Movshin, Isaac Picker, Easton Porter, Samuel Rubin, Hannah Zaidman, Darien Arnstein, Sanford Boxerman, Abigail Goldstein, Ronald Portman, Gershon Spector, Barbara Bahn, Harlan Heller, Lawrence Margulis, Leo Bressler, Louis Fine, Amy Rubin, Amy Friedman, Randee Jacobs, James Bashkin, Amarys Evans, Eve Root, Jordan Stettner, Avra Arnow, Roger Brockman, Jacob Goldstein, Joanne Singer, Jacob Goldsmith, Ella Kalachek, Max Brown, Susan Gartenberg, Lvav Spector, Hannah Cooke, Asher Fox, Caleb Rosenthal

October Anniversaries

Michael & Susan Gartenberg
James White & Cindy Payant
Jeff & Janet Jacob
Craig & Amy Zaidman
Henry & Mary Berger
Siegfried & Carol Adler
Micah & Aviva Buck-Yael
Walter Chaboude & Ruth Battle
Steven & Alla Grossman
Max & Susan Brown
Jeff & Jessica Wax
Louis & Ellen Harken
Eli & Sherri Sadon
Joseph & Beth Levy
Amos & Barbara Shamir

Thank You

Thank you to all the members of the Women's Social Group who sent healthy congratulations and best wishes to us on our anniversary.

Sheila & Al Rosenfeld

Phil and I thank all of you who sent a mazel tov through the Women's Social Group for our anniversary. We appreciate your thoughtfulness and good wishes.

Bonnie & Phil Levens

Thank you to everyone who sent me birthday wishes through the Women's Social Group. It means a lot to me to be remembered on my special birthday. With much appreciation,

Roberta Stolz

Condolences to the Families Of

*Aarolyn Phyllis Litvag
Jean Cohen*

Jewish Food Pantry September List

1. Canned Fruit
2. Any Type of Canned Vegetables
3. Kosher Foods
4. Canned Tuna Fish
5. Peanut Butter
6. Canned Pasta with Meat
7. Healthy Cereals
8. Toothpaste, Toothbrush, Hand Soap & Detergent

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

President's Message

Randi Mozenter - Kol Rinah President

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Truth be known, I believe firmly in the mystical. The last four fortunes in fortune cookies that I have received over the past month or so read as follows: You have firm convictions – stand strong behind them. All things are difficult before they are easy. Someone is looking up to you, don't let that person down. Focus on your long-term goal - don't hesitate to act now.

So I realize that fortune cookies, in the same way as horoscopes, can be general enough to apply to everyone. That's how they're written. However, I also don't exactly believe in coincidences, especially when there are a multitude. So I choose to believe that there is a personal message here, and I will act accordingly. I figure that even if it is a coincidence, that these messages are good ones and I have nothing to lose by following their wisdom.

Change is in the air and I would be remiss not to report on how many changes there have been since I last wrote to you. Jessica Wax has moved on to a position elsewhere and we wish her well. Most don't realize how much she has done for us in her many years here and the amazing legacy and direction she has left for us to follow. We will still have the opportunity to see her as a valued congregant of Kol Rinah.

We have eliminated the paid position of Executive Director and these functions are now performed by our lay leaders Barbara Shamir and Mitch Shenker. A host of dedicated and committed lay

leaders along with Micki Kingsley and our 5 full time paid amazing staff keep things running smoothly. We thank David Weber for all he has done for us over the past three years and wish him well in future endeavors.

Our administration office and Rabbis' offices have moved upstairs to the former youth lounge areas. With the invaluable full time work and knowledge of Eli Sadon, we have saved roughly \$35,000 in electrical engineering and computer fees. This job evolved into so much more than anticipated. We cannot thank Eli enough for all he has contributed.

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and get the work done.**

Baruch HaShem that Meir Zimand's wife Rachel is on the mend. We are so fortunate for the personal and professional work that Meir, Nancy Greene and Rico Crane provide to keep us running efficiently. Micki Kingsley, our full time office volunteer and Sisterhood President, keeps so many balls in the air that I don't know how she does so very much.

While I'm in the mode of thanking people, I continue to be impressed by Liz Collins and Elyse Picker in their direction of our Early Childhood Center and their talented staff and devotion to building the best Early Childhood Center in the region.

Rabbi Scott Shafrin, Ellen Cohen and a group of committed families have spent the summer rewriting our religious school curriculum. I can't wait to see what the future brings. Our Youth Director, Sara Steiner, LCSW, has added social media administration to her portfolio and does a great deal in building our USY program and supporting our youth. She is always willing to lend a hand of support, no matter the task.

We are working with a Development professional to aid our fundraising campaign and had an amazing dinner presentation at the home of Drs. Debbie Zimmerman and Jon Root. We thank them along with our fabulous Capital Campaign leaders, Maurice Guller, Bill Solomon, Penny Alper and Sue Cort, as well as our marvelous committee. Stay tuned for upcoming programs in the works.

Our Facilities Committee is also working overtime with our talented architects, Patterhn Ives, who seem to be making the impossible, possible. Thanks to Dave Cooperstein, Sue Albert and Dan Rosenthal for their leadership and expertise for which we could never afford to pay.

Sunday, August 27 is our Kosher Barbecue which will be even better than our great event last year. We've invited the Journey Community as well as the Moslem Community who are excited to join us and enjoy Kosher food including an option for

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Ribeye steak this year! Thanks to Esti Goldman for leading this event.

I could not ask for a better Kol Rinah partner than our Board Chair, Sherri Sadon. There are no words to adequately express her commitment and leadership (and everyone knows I have lots of words!). Thanks also to Rabbi Noah Arnow for his spiritual direction, commitment and enthusiasm even late at night when we're struggling to do our best to meet the needs of our diverse community. Also thanks to my husband, Larry Friedman who is my guiding light and understands better than most, the demands and intricacies of Shul leadership, as I spent our third wedding anniversary at Kol Rinah from 5:00 to 11:00 pm.

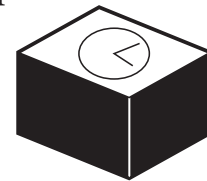
Thanks to our Coordinating Committee (100% attendance at our July nearly 3 hour meeting), and our Board of Directors for all you do. Thanks to our congregants for your participation, your support and your tolerance as we all adapt to changes.

We are fortunate to have a community that is willing to pitch in and get the work done. Congregants have donated their professional expertise, their financial support and literally, blood, sweat and tears to building a spiritual havurah that enriches our lives. I am so grateful to have the opportunity to partner with the most amazing people every day. My life is better by serving Kol Rinah. Come join us.

And on a personal note, yes, I've moved to my new home.

We're searching for the 1956 Shaare Zedek time capsule.

Anyone who has any knowledge or memory of this event and the possible location of the time capsule, please contact Gary Kodner, gkodner@gmail.com.



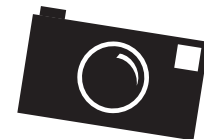
Have you kept Kol Rinah Board or Committee meeting minutes?

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.



In July you helped raise \$125.39 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 Kiddushes

Thank you to **Henry & Mary Berger** for sponsoring a Sisterhood Kiddush in July to celebrate Henry's 80th birthday.

As always, if you would like to sponsor a Sisterhood Kiddush, contact Sue Propper at suemeryl@charter.net, or call the office. We'll be happy to help every step of the way.

Break the Fast

Sisterhood will be catering the dinner for Break the Fast again, which, thanks again to Steve Keyser, will be generously underwritten by the Faye Keyser Seudah Fund. It's always nice to just stick around after neilah and have dinner waiting for us. Watch for more information as the holidays get closer; and plan to attend. Reservations are required.

Our Gift Shop closed the beginning of July, and we thank everyone who made purchases at our clearance sale and for donating to Sisterhood in the name of the Gift Shop.

Women's League National Convention

Cindy Ginsburg, Area Director of the Intra-Continental Region, attended the WLCJ convention in July, representing our Region and Kol Rinah. We are proud that our Sisterhood has a representative on the National Board.

New Board Members

The newly-approved Board includes new members Susan Brown, Edie Goldman, Julia Lieberman, and Joanne Singer. We welcome them "a-board."

Thank you to everyone who bought honey through ORT as part of the Sisterhood Honey-From-the-Heart fund-raiser. Our orders exceeded the amount necessary to increase our percentage on the profit per jar. Almost all of you took advantage of free shipping through the end of July. We wish you and your families a very sweet and healthy New Year.

Sisterhood Supper-in-the-Sukkah October 4, Wednesday evening, erev Sukkot. Plan to join us for our now-famous menu – loaded baked potatoes, delicious vegetarian chili, tossed salad, and a lovely dessert, followed by a program. Watch for more information in September. Reservations required.

A happy and healthy 5778 to you all!

Chesed in Our Community

Barbara Bianco, Chair

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September 16 Kiddush to Honor Chesed Committee Members

Kol Rinah will be honoring members of the Chesed Committee with a special kiddush on September 16. The committee is supported by the Samuel Frank Chesed Fund and donations by members.

Sam Frank, a very kind man who did many acts of chesed, was the husband of member Ann Frank. Their daughter Sherri wanted to honor her dad's memory by contributing to and starting a new fund in his name.

Don't know what the committee does? Here's a partial list:

- ★ Helps arrange meals for members with a new baby
- ★ Visits members in hospitals and in nursing homes
- ★ Stays at shiva houses while members are at their loved one's funeral
- ★ Sends meals of condolence to members who have lost a close relative
- ★ Makes calls to ensure a minyan at shiva houses and funerals

- ★ Provides reading glasses at shul for those who forget theirs
- ★ Helps arrange rides
- ★ Provides information about The Alzheimer's Association to members
- ★ Provides polar fleece blankets to congregants who feel chilly during services
- ★ Provides baby tzedakah boxes for members with a newborn

If you'd like to be involved, please call Barbara Bianco at (314) 727-2399. We'd love to have you join us!

Mishaberach List Policy

The synagogue asked the Ritual Committee to develop a policy for updating the Mishaberach list, which is revised any time a member calls to request that a name be added. When the list was developed, the name of the requestor would appear on the list, together with the date requested, the length of time requested, and the English name (and Hebrew name if we had it) of the person for whom the healing prayers were being requested. Some requests were for a week or two, a month or two, and many were requested to be added as "permanent." It has been announced at daily minyanim and at several Shabbat services in the past month or two that the policy for maintaining names on the Mishaberach list is in the process of being revised.

The Ritual Committee has adopted the following policy: All the names on the list will receive a new starting date of September 1, 2017, will remain on the list for a period of 4 weeks and then be removed, unless the requestor calls or otherwise notifies the office that they would like a name to be continued for another 4 weeks. If the office does not receive a request to keep a name on the list, it will be removed the next time the list is updated.

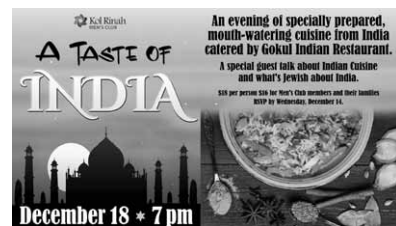


*Men's Club
Midwest
Region
Participants*

*Torch Award
Display*

*Alan at
the Israel
Embassy in
Washington*

*Two Mazon
HaOlam
Programs*





NIGHT AT CASABLANCA

A Moroccan Dinner

Featuring Moroccan food and presentations about the Jews of Morocco



Nov. 12 * 6:30 pm

\$18 per person
\$16 for Men's Club members and their families
RSVP to the office or
kolrinahstl.org/mensclub

Men's Club

Max Brown - Men's Club President

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Lazy, Hazy Days Of Summer Yield To A Jam Packed Fall

First, the lazy, hazy days: Kol Rinah's softball team had a hard-knock season. But, they didn't let it get them down — they played with pride, vigor and great sportsmanship. If you get a chance, proudly thank our players for their outstanding effort.

At the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs international convention in Washington, D.C., your Kol Rinah Men's Club received a Silver Torch Award and a Quality Club Award. The Torch Award is presented for outstanding programming — programming that is worthy of copying by other men's clubs. They honored us because of our Mazon HaOlam program, i.e., Sushi and Sake Shabbat, a Taste of India and the upcoming Night in Casablanca.

Clubs that satisfy all six of the required elements, along with at least 10 of 20 optional elements (including at least one from each category) receive the Quality Club Award. Bob Olshan, Don Singer, Alan Schwartz and I attended the convention. We all gleaned great ideas for future programs at Kol Rinah, as well as ways to make current programs more exciting. We left no one behind at the airport and none of us attempted to scale the White House fence.

Gary Kodner's book signing was a great success. More than 40 people enjoyed lunch and a fascinating slide presentation by Gary about the 135-year history of the St. Louis Cardinals uniforms, logos and club ownership.

What's Ahead For The Jam Packed Fall?

Sunday, Sept. 10, 9am - KRRS pancake breakfast sponsored by Men's Club

Sunday, Sept. 10, 12pm - Second Annual Kol Rinah Community Golf Outing

Sunday, Oct. 8, 6:30pm - Steak and Scotch in the Sukkah

Sunday, Oct. 15, 7:30pm - Hearing Men's Voices

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

Sunday, Nov. 12, 7pm - Night in Casablanca

Gary Kodner's Book Signing



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Open to the entire St. Louis Jewish community.

Rabbi David Jaffe

HEROES ARE MADE, NOT BORN: MUSSAR WISDOM FOR LIVING WITH MORAL COURAGE

How do we prepare ourselves for times that call for moral courage?

How do we grow in our ability to stand up for what we believe?

Rabbi Jaffe will introduce us to the Jewish teachings and practice of Mussar, which can help guide us in cultivating our moral traits, enabling us to bridge the gap between aspiration and behavior.

Friday evening program at Kol Rinah

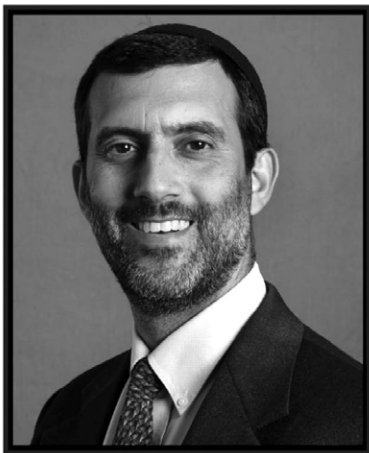
Friday, September 8: 6 pm Kabbalat Shabbat • Rabbi Jaffe will deliver the Dvar Torah

7:15pm (optional) dinner, 8:15pm Program

Program is free and open to the public, Optional Dinner: \$15 adults, \$8 youth under 13

Reservations for dinner no later than September 4

kolrinahstl.org or 314-727-1747



Rabbi David Jaffe is the author of *Changing the World from the Inside Out: A Jewish Path of Personal and Social Change*, winner of the 2016 National Jewish Book Award for Contemporary Jewish Life. He is the Founder and Principal of Kirva Consulting, which helps individuals and organizations access ancient Jewish wisdom to build sustainable, healthy relationships and communities. He lives in Sharon, MA with his wife and two teenage boys.

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Kol Rinah Religious School

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A Culture of Family Learning at KRRS

The fall has arrived, which can only mean one thing: THE START OF THE KOL RINAH RELIGIOUS SCHOOL YEAR! We are so excited to start the year with incredible new additions to our curriculum and a few new faces who will be helping our students grow and learn in new ways.

One of our new additions will be Gal Roberman, a ShinShin who will be joining us as well as Congregation Shaare Emeth. Shinshinim are teen emissaries from Israel, who partner with the Israeli government and local Jewish Federations around the country to their Jewish communities. They have just graduated from high school and have delayed their army service in order to travel to St. Louis and serve in our community for a year on a volunteer basis. The Shinshinim will teach about Israel and Israeli culture in our community at various congregations. This year, Gal will also be helping to assist and train our KRRS staff in some of the fundamentals of an experience-based, hands-on approach to learning Hebrew. We will be using games, activities, stories, drama, and art to build a common, working Hebrew vocabulary for our families.

In addition, we will be opening up our Religious School to whole family learning. Our parents will have the chance to join us each week for Havdallah to start our Sunday, followed by a course of learning designed specifically for them. Together, we

will learn more about how Judaism tackles big questions, how we join together throughout the year, and how we can build and strengthen our Jewish homes and our connections with our community. We also want a chance for parents to not only be a real part of their children's Jewish life and education, but to expand the ways in which they, as individuals, connect Jewishly as well.

Our Shabbat experiences are evolving as well. This year, our MifgaShabbat program will be featuring a different grade level (from Kindergarten through 5th grade) as the Spotlight Leaders. Children in these grades, both KRRS students and any other members of our congregational family, will be invited to be leaders at this Shabbat experience. They will be able to show off what they have learned, from prayers and Torah readings to leading activities and hands on experiences. They will also

be our prayer leaders for Kiddush and HaMotzi when our MifgaShabbat joins our younger kids at Tot Shabbat and Rhythm N'Ruach. We want to shine a light on how bright and incredible all of the children at Kol Rinah are, and give them the chance each Shabbat to really make their Jewish experience an important part of their lives. **All children are encouraged to come to our Tot Shabbat, Rhythm N'Ruach, and MifgaShabbat experiences in order to add their ruach and energy into the community.**

Throughout the year, I will be inviting each of you to come and see what we do in the Religious School and to give me feedback about some of our exciting learning initiatives. I hope you will take me up on the offer, make a connection with our students, and help us expand and improve our program. Here's to another incredible year of Kol Rinah Religious School!

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Early Childhood Education

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KRECC is excited for a great school year! Prior to the start of school, teachers had an opportunity to participate in professional development. Over the course of four days, teachers took part in courses that focused on child development and student observation, CPR/AED refresher and First Aid certification courses, mandated reporting in cases of child abuse and neglect, and learning about place based learning in the outdoor class room.

Under the leadership of Miss Erin, our art specialist, we are starting to recycle energy bar wrappers through the Terracycle recycling program. If we collect enough, we can even start earning money back for our school! We'll collect items after lunch; we are

also encouraging families and Kol Rinah synagogue members to send in wrappers from items consumed at home! Right now, we are accepting wrappers from the following items:

- ★ Foil-lined energy bar wrappers
- ★ Foil-lined granola bar wrappers
- ★ Foil-lined meal replacement bar wrappers
- ★ Foil-lined protein bar wrappers
- ★ Clif bar wrappers, including Clif Bars, Luna Bars, Clif Kid Z=Bar, Clif Kid Z-Fruit

Finally, we are launching a new music program this school year. We are happy to announce Miss Katie (one of our Starfish teachers and a music therapist by training) and Miss Karen (who also does music for Kol Rinah) as our talented music specialists! Over

the summer, Katie and Karen have put together a program, called Growing through Music, which will bring more music into all our classes. Their focus will be on age-appropriate music teaching Hebrew, Jewish cultural music and getting children ready for our holiday celebrations. Miss Katie will go into all 7 of our class rooms for a developmentally appropriate music class focused on music education, instrumental education, early exposure to group singing and exposure to musical concepts. Both Katie and Karen will work with class room teachers to tie in weekly themes and developmental goals. All of our other enrichment specialists will be returning for art, science, creative movement, social emotional skills and yoga!

Adult Education

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Adult Education Committee presents:
The Role Of Heredity In Defining Who Is A Jew

Sunday, October 15, at 2pm

Since last time was on Fathers' Day, we are now giving you another opportunity to learn about Jewish Heredity. This time, we will have coffee, water and snacks!

Who is a Jew? What are the evolving answers from the Bible and Rabbinic Judaism, as well as changes in public applications?

We will address three questions:

1. What does Jewish Law say about who is a Jew?
2. What does *Ancestry.com* or *23 and me* say about Jewish genes?
3. Historically, what roles have fathers and mothers played in the current Jewish population?

Our program can only be an appetizer; each subject could be a semester college course.

It is our intention that this program will:

- ★ Create an awareness concerning *"The Role of Heredity in Defining who is a Jew"*.

- ★ Stimulate interest in our discussion group.

Our group has been active for several years now. We hold most of our meetings in members' homes. We do emphasize reading, learning and preparing for these "at home" meetings. **You are welcome to participate.**

This Oct 15 presentation does not require any advanced study, just bring your questions and your curiosity.

Youth

Sara Steiner - Youth Director

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As we welcome 5778, we welcome new and exciting opportunities for our youth! Our new USY Board includes these amazing teens:

President

Pardes Lyons-Warren (class of 2018)

Social Action/Tikkun Olam VP

Maayan Gazit (class of 2018)

Religious Education VP

Sam Shoykhet (class of 2019)

Communications VP

Yael Portman (class of 2020)

Membership/ Kadima VP

Jane Kalina (class of 2021)

Freshmen Co-Representatives

Anya Cerulo (class of 2021) &

Joey Sparks (class of 2021)

As I write this, August is just beginning and already, Pardes and I are deep into planning for this year's youth activities. We will be personalizing our new space, incorporating new ideas that our chapter brought up at the close of last year and continuing to find ways to contribute to our community.

Mid-September, several of our board members will be participating in the 2017 Leadership Training Institute at Congregation Beth Shalom in Overland Park, Kansas. This training is organized by EMTZA, the Central District USY Region. A heartfelt thank you to the Kol Rinah Sisterhood for supporting scholarship funds that reduce the cost of attending regional programs like LTI. It is an incredible

opportunity for our youth to travel, learn and grow throughout our region and the country.

This year, USY and Kadima will continue to meet on Tuesday evenings from 7:30pm-9pm beginning Tuesday, September 5, 2017. If your child/teen is in 7th grade or older and would like to learn more about USY and Kadima, please do not hesitate to email me at sara@kolrinahstl.org.

"Don't be afraid of new beginnings. Don't shy away from new people, new energy, new surroundings. Embrace new chances at happiness."
-Billy Chapata

Membership

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We welcome new members Davanna Renee and Jacqueline Brickel. We also had a wonderful time at the

FIRST KOL RINAH FUN NIGHT OUT AT PAINTING WITH A TWIST, chaired by Linda Makler. Thanks so much to her and others on the membership committee for supporting this event. Here is a description from Linda:

Kol Rinah's recent Membership event - FUN NIGHT OUT at Painting With a Twist on June 21st was a great success! Our Membership committee's enthusiasm and contributions for this project provided us with several Kosher wines from the Wine and

Cheese Place as well as a variety of delicious and tasty kosher snacks. These included fresh strawberries, watermelon, and grapes, cream cheese and bagels, a veggie platter and guacamole dip, ice, name tags, paper plates, bowls, and utensils, assorted nuts, chocolate candy, cookies, pretzels, and crackers.

There were twenty-two in attendance, and a good time was had by all! Our instructor, Tim, was a great teacher. We enjoyed step-by-step instruction and the opportunity to ask questions and paint "outside the box" if we wished. There were large video screens that reflected what he was

showing us. Tim also led us in a fun game involving a paper plate on our heads. (great ice breaker idea!). Many of us were amazed at what we could do, and we went home with a one of a kind creation and a new-found talent that we may want to explore again in the future.

The Membership committee continues to welcome all congregants who would like to participate in supporting our activities. We are hosting several events coming up in the next year and we need your help! Please call either of us or send an email to the synagogue if you would like to join our committee.

1
Fri
7am Shacharit
9:30am ECC Yoga - Sara Myers Rm 106
6pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/
Ma'ariv - Mirowitz
7:13pm Candle lighting

2
Sat
Parashat Ki Teitzei
9am Shabbat Service - Mirowitz
6:10pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/
Ma'ariv
8:10pm Havdalah

3
Sun
8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
9am Communications Mtng - Sara
Myers Rm 106

4
Mon
LABOR DAY
8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv

5
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

6
Wed
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
9:30am ECC Movement Class - Sara
Myers Rm 106
12pm Elul Study - Sara Myers Rm 106
4:15pm Family Open House/
Orientation

7
Thu
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
9am Study Pesach with Rabbi
Shulamit Cencer - Sara Myers
Rm 106

8
Fri
7am Shacharit
9:30am ECC Yoga - Sara Myers Rm 106
6pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/
Ma'ariv - Mirowitz
**6pm Services and Shabbat Dinner
with Rabbi David Jaffe**
7:02pm Candle Lighting

9
Sat
Parashat Ki Tavo
9am Shabbat Service - Mirowitz
10:30am MifgaShabbat - Daily Chapel
11am Rhythm N Ruach - Sara Myers
Rm 106
6pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/Ma'ariv
7:58pm Havdalah

10
Sun
8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
9am Communications Mtng - Sara
Myers Rm 106
9:30am 1st Day of KRRS
9:30am Men's Club Board Mtng
9:30am Sisterhood Mtng - Aud
12:30pm KR Community Golf Outing
3:30pm ECC Park Day

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Mon
ECC School Photos
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv

12
Tue
ECC School Photos
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

13
Wed
ECC School Photos
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
9:30am ECC Movement Class - Sara
Myers Rm 106
10am KR Women's Social Group
Mtng - Daily Chapel
4:15pm Hebrew School
7pm Elul Study - Sara Myers Rm 106

14
Thu
ECC School Photos
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
9am Study Pesach with Rabbi
Shulamit Cencer - Sara Myers
Rm 106
7pm Kol Rinah Board Mtng

15
Fri
7am Shacharit
9:30am ECC Yoga - Sara Myers Rm 106
6pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/
Ma'ariv - Mirowitz
6:51pm Candle Lighting

16
Sat
Parashat Nitzavim-Vayeilech
9am Shabbat Service - Mirowitz
5:45pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/
Ma'ariv
7:47pm Havdalah
9pm Slichot Program
10pm Slichot

17
Sun
8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
9am Communications Mtng - Sara
Myers Rm 106
9:30am KRRS

18
Mon
ECC photo Day
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv

19
Tue
7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
8am "When All You've Ever Wanted
Isn't Enough" - Sara Myers Rm 106
8am ECC Family Rosh Hashanah
Program
6:30pm Finance Mtng - Library
7:30pm USY Lounge Night

20
Wed
EREV ROSH HASHANAH
No Hebrew School
7am Shacharit
9:30am ECC Movement Class - Sara
Myers Rm 106
3pm Erev Rosh Hashanah ECC
Closes at 3:00 pm
6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
6:43pm Candle Lighting

21
Thu
ROSH HASHANAH
ECC Closed
8am Shacharit
6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
7:39pm Candle Lighting

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