

# High Holidays Ritual & Prayer

## Sunday, Sept. 16 at 3 pm

at the home of Phil and Deborah Gould (*call for directions*)

For many of us, as we approach the High Holidays, Ritual and Prayer reach an apex in our lives. From where did these rituals come? Why is it so important on the High Holidays? Should it be more important through the rest of the year?

We will be continuing our review of *Sacred Fragments* by Neil Gillman z"l, addressing the book's conclusion, Doing your own Theology.

Even if you have not read the book, give some thoughts to your feelings about prayers. It is the High Holidays - after all - and what better time to ponder them!



RSVP to either Ralph, Richard or Phil: [ralph.graff@health.slu.edu](mailto:ralph.graff@health.slu.edu), [richard@ims-stlouis.com](mailto:richard@ims-stlouis.com) or [pgoul@seas.wustl.edu](mailto:pgoul@seas.wustl.edu)

## Upcoming Events

Sat 1	Bat Mitzvah of Claire Spector
Sun 2	Rabbi Daniel Nevins Talk
Wed 5	Rabbi Sherre Hirsch
Sun 9	Erev Rosh Hashanah
Mon 10 & Tue 11	<b>ROSH HASHANAH</b>
Wed 12	<b>TZOM GEDALIAH</b>
Sun 16	Book Group Discussion Tashlich
Tue 18	Erev Yom Kippur
Wed 19	<b>YOM KIPPUR</b> Break the Fast
Sun 23	Erev Sukkot
Mon 24 - Sun 30	<b>SUKKOT</b>
Tue 25	Steak & Scotch in the Sukkah
Wed 26	ECC Family Dinner
Thu 27	Sisterhood Supper in the Sukkah
Sun 30	<b>HOSHANAH RABAH</b>

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High Holiday packets have been mailed. You can also find all information and online forms on our website.

[www.kolrinahstl.org/5779-2018-high-holiday-information/](http://www.kolrinahstl.org/5779-2018-high-holiday-information/)

# 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.

## Mazel Tov to our B'not Mitzvah!



**Claire Naomi Spector**  
September 1, 2018



**Hannah Zaidman**  
October 13, 2018

# A Message from Rabbi Arnow

Rabbi Noah Arnow - Senior Rabbi

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## The Two Choices

Before saying something about our High Holiday prayer options this year at Kol Rinah, I want ask something about prayer generally.

Is it better to pray when you're supposed to, or when you feel moved to? Is it better to pray the prayers that well up inside you, or the prayers other people wrote that are in the prayer book?

The answer to both of these questions is, of course, "Yes!" Although we tend to focus more on fixed prayer—prayer whose time and words are fixed, Judaism also has a long tradition of spontaneous prayer—prayer whose time and words are spontaneous.

You can imagine the benefits of both fixed and spontaneous prayer. Fixed prayer is great because it ensures we pray regularly, and from that practice, our praying ability will improve, so that we'll have more frequent, more reliable spiritual experiences. And fixed liturgy (i.e. words) are good because they make sure our prayers are for things that are not only about us, but about things and people we may never otherwise think about.

Spontaneous prayer is good because then, we're praying not because we're supposed to, but because we want to, because we need to. And making up the words in the moment ensures that they are coming from us, and that we are speaking of ourselves to God.

So, neither is better; both are important. Generally though, we have

emphasized fixed prayer more than spontaneous prayer in synagogues. And that makes sense—synagogues are places with schedules, where our prayer is communal, and we all try to use the same words.

This year on the Days of Awe, for much of the time, we'll have two services (we'll be together for the Torah service each day, as well as Musaf, Mincha and Neilah on Yom Kippur). The upstairs service will be a full, traditional service, covering the entire machzor (High Holiday prayer book), and will not have musical instruments. This service will be more "fixed" and familiar. There will, of course, be moments of *kavana* amidst the *keva* (fixedness)—for example, those moments in the quiet Amidah (standing prayer) where you can add your own words. But the emphasis will be on the *keva*—the fixed, traditional words, melodies, choreography and feeling.

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The downstairs service will use the same machzor, but will have musical instruments (guitar, piano, and gentle percussion), and will thoughtfully focus on certain prayers and pages and words and melodies, as the spirit moves us, and as we think and hope the spirit will move those there. In that

service, we will not cover every single word of the machzor, even though both services will aim to finish at the same time. The focus will be on the *kavana*, on arousing within each of us the spirit of the moment, the spirit of the days, but through traditional words, some traditional melodies and some new melodies, and the traditional, if slightly modified, structure of the service.

One service will not be better than another—that's not the intention. The intention is that they be different, and speak to the different needs that we each have, and the different needs that we have has a congregation.

I encourage you to try both as you are comfortable and curious, and share your experiences and reactions with Rabbi Shafrin, me, and Kol Rinah's leadership.

Our goal is to create experiences that resonate for us all—experiences that feel traditional, joyful, transformational, introspective, familiar, inspirational, and deeply, deeply Jewish.

In whichever service you find yourself, throughout the holidays, sing joyfully, pray deeply, listen attentively, smile effusively, clap occasionally, stand and sit proudly and gratefully, and help the people around you gladly.

**May we all be inscribed and sealed in the book of life.**



# Mazel Tov!

## September Birthdays

Howard Granok, Michael Paley, Blair Kveskin, Alexis Porter, Alan Weinberger, Meir Zimand, Beth Levy, Molly Schwartz, Donald Siegel, Nadine Wilk, Ralph Graff, Neal Goldford, Rachel Haspiel, Ilana Rosman, Wendy Anderson, Wendy Huss, Steven Brown, Michael Cannon, Ben Barzilai, Enid Tennenbaum, Tovah Enger, Richard Kodner, Ginger Marcus, Michael Gartenberg, Mendel Rosenberg, Michael Faccini, Susan Brown, Steven Birenbaum, Dana Emmenegger, Robert Glick, Joan Barzilai, Gina Bernstein, Brett Fox, Enrique Lerner, Maxine Lipeles Goldstein, Bruce Sabin

## September Anniversaries

Byron & Audrey Katcher  
C.W. Scherer & Barbara Lowes  
Aaron & Cynthia Vickar  
Kenneth & Cheryl Stein  
Mitchell & Joyce Podolsky  
Andrew Rehfeld & Miggy Greenberg  
Marc & Lvav Spector  
Louis & Susan Albert

*\* Birthdays and Anniversaries are listed chronologically*

## Thank You

Alice and I send our thanks for all the birthday greetings we received from the various Kol Rinah organizations and funds. We think of you often and are grateful that so many think of us as well.

*Mark & Alice Fasman*

Many thanks to all Kol Rinah friends who sent us Anniversary wishes on our 48th.

*Al & Sheila Rosenfeld*

## October Birthdays

Susan Albert, Marilyn Evans, Miggy Greenberg, Maurice Guller, Claire Halpern, Andrea Rosenblum, Leigh Sher, Barbara Meyers, Laurie Furman, Marian Katz, Omri Praiss, Phyllis Bynum, Mildred Hoffman, Joyce Podolsky, Klara Rybak, Linda Gavatim, Janet Jacob, Marvin Marcus, Mary Ellen Movshin, Darien Arnstein, Sanford Boxerman, Ronald Portman, Gershon Spector, Harlan Heller, Lawrence Margulis, Amy Rubin, Amy Friedman, Randee Jacobs, James Bashkin, Roger Brockman, Joanne Singer, Max Brown, Susan Gartenberg, Lvav Spector, Rebecca Mollett

## 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  
Amos & Barbara Shamir  
Max & Susan Brown  
Jeff & Jessica Wax  
Louis & Ellen Harken  
Eli & Sherri Sadon  
Joseph & Beth Levy

## Condolences to the Families Of

Betty C. Brown  
Sara Myers  
Jean Pinken  
Carolyn Rosenfeld  
Stanley Shmuger  
Esther Zuckerman

## Jewish Food Pantry September List

1. Peanut Butter and Jelly
2. Kosher Foods
3. Canned Pasta with Meat
4. Hearty Soups
5. Pasta and Rice Mixes
6. Healthy Snacks.
7. Personal Care Items  
(Deodorant, Hand Soap  
and Baby Diapers)



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

## Do You Know of Any Job Opportunities For People With Developmental Dissabilities?

I assist persons with developmental disabilities to find employment. The emphasis is always that they have the ability to do the job they are hired to do. Jobs sought include dietary (dishwashing, bussing, serving, food prep), laundry, warehouse, child care, machine operator, custodian, stocking, bagging groceries, cart retrieval, cashiering, customer service and data entry. Many seek part time but some want full time.

Do you know of any opportunities? We would be most grateful for a referral. Thank you.

Ron Fagerstrom, recruiter.

Easter Seals Midwest.

**636.893.7091**

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# President's Message

Randi Mozenter - Kol Rinah President

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This is an historic time for our congregation as well as for the St. Louis Jewish community. Last month we broke ground on our new Maryland Avenue facility in Clayton. Every one of you reading this message has played a part in getting us to this milestone. The past few years have been filled with anticipation, trepidation, and passion on the part of everyone in our Kol Rinah community. Those years were also marked by the dedication and hard work of our Facilities Committee, Capital Campaign Committee, Coordinating Committee, Board of Directors, Rabbinic leadership, and the many volunteers who have worked so hard to bring us to this point.

You have spent many hours, including late nights and weekends, and made many other sacrifices so that we are able to reach this day. I am very grateful for your persistence, your

vision, and your advice and support. One of the benefits of serving as President is that I get to see up close how much so many of you care about our community and how much talent and energy you provide. You have inspired me and you have made my job easier. Most importantly, you have made this project a reality. I hope you feel as much pride as I do that we are breaking ground on our new home.

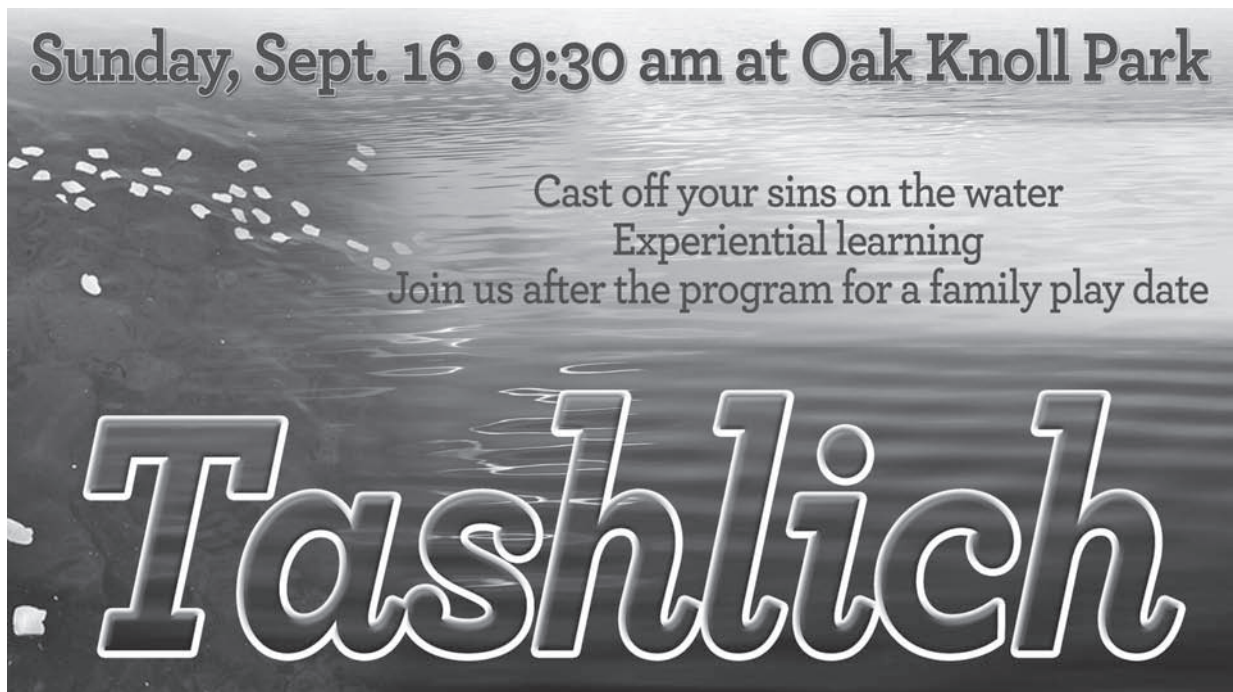
But while we should be pleased to have reached this point, and can look forward to watching construction proceed, we have much more work to do. Our new facility will be the center for a traditional, egalitarian, and inclusive Jewish presence at the crossroads of our region for decades to come. The extent to which we can make our building honor the legacy of our past while creating a home for our

future will depend on how dedicated we continue to be and how successful we continue to be in our capital campaign.

If construction proceeds as currently scheduled, next month will be our last Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur in our legacy Shaare Zedek building. Like many of you, I have many happy memories of that building and our other legacy BSKI building on Linden Avenue. I hope I will be able to see as many of you as possible during the High Holidays to share memories and look forward with excitement and anticipation to our future home. We have made it to this day because of you, and we will have a beautiful new home because of you.

With gratitude,

*Randi Mozenter*

A poster for the Tashlich event. The background is a black and white photograph of water with many small white stones scattered across the surface. The text is overlaid on the image. At the top, it says "Sunday, Sept. 16 • 9:30 am at Oak Knoll Park". In the center, it says "Cast off your sins on the water", "Experiential learning", and "Join us after the program for a family play date". At the bottom, the word "Tashlich" is written in a large, stylized, outlined font.

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Cast off your sins on the water  
Experiential learning  
Join us after the program for a family play date

**Tashlich**

# Membership

Joyce Olshan

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## There's No Randi Like Our Randi

By Linda Makler (With apologies to the late great Irving Berlin/Israel Beilin)

Kol Rinah, the Rabbis, the kitchens, the plaques  
The members that lift you up when you are down.  
The chapel, the stained glass, the paintings, the facts  
The Clayton Board that welcomes you to town.  
The day when we break ground is coming soon.  
But first our President's birthday is in June!

There's no Randi like our Randi, she's Kol Rinah's best friend.  
Everything about her is appealing, she's done so much in her short sixty years.  
Nowhere can you get this special feeling, when Randi quiets all of our fears.  
There's no Randi like our Randi, she smiles when she is low.  
Even when folks tell her that it can't be done, she comes up with ideas just like the sun.  
She listens to you, and she cares for everyone,  
She's Kol Rinah's best friend.

Kol Rinah, Board Members, fundraising, and Staff  
Our members that keep pledging with a smile.  
The parking, the architects, who work on our behalf  
And all of us who go the extra mile.  
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But first our President's birthday is in June!

There's no Randi like our Randi, she's made herself well known.  
A Clinical psychologist and leader, throughout the years she's served on many boards.  
BSKI, Shaare Zedek, and Kol Rinah, have brought her pleasure not just awards.  
There's no Randi like our Randi, let's all give her a hand.  
This is a special birthday that we celebrate, a festive milestone that we share for one so great, that is why we're here tonight to celebrate.  
She's Kol Rinah's best friend.

**Happy Birthday Randi!**

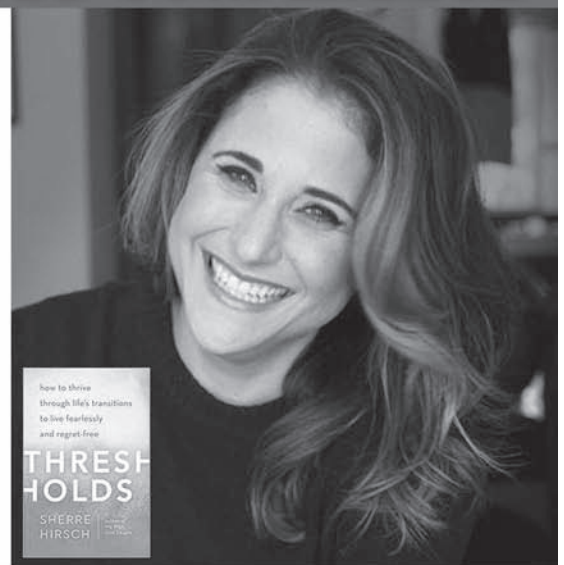
## RABBI SHERRE HIRSCH VIDEO CONFERENCE

### WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 5, 6:45 PM

**Join our Sisterhood for an exclusive opportunity to learn from prominent Jewish thinkers and educators!**

Sessions will be held at Kol Rinah via online conference and open only to Sisterhood / Women's League members. The talk will be based on Rabbi Hirsch's book, *Thresholds: How to Thrive Through Life's Transitions to Live Fearlessly and Regret-Free*.

Rabbi Hirsch will share her wisdom on how to navigate moments in life and seize new opportunities as we enter the New Year, 5779.



**RSVP to Kol Rinah office. Questions? Contact [susanmbrown77@gmail.com](mailto:susanmbrown77@gmail.com).**



# Sisterhood

Joyce Gang, Susan Brown - Sisterhood Co-Presidents

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As your new Co-Presidents, Joyce Gang and Susan Brown, we're humbled and nervous to be filling this role. Micki Kingsley has been President of Sisterhood for ten years, and shepherded us through simchas, sorrows, fun and transitions. She leaves a strong legacy and we are looking forward to her knowledge, advice and good humor guiding us forward.

As background, Joyce, married to Allen Levin, was a long time member of Shaare Zedek, and coordinated the Meals on Wheels program. Susan is a relatively new member of Kol Rinah, coming to the Shul in 2014, married to Men's Club President Max.

First, thank you! **Thank you to the Faye Keyser Fund** for its sponsorship of three Kiddushes the past several months, as well as its funding of the annual end of Yom Kippur Break the Fast meal, catered by the Sisterhood. Our thanks also to **Steve Kayman** for the August 4th Kiddush thanking the Israel Trip, and to **Marc and Lvav Spector** for the Kiddush celebrating their daughter Claire's Bat Mitzvah on September 1st. Mazel tov to the whole family.

All women are invited to join the Sisterhood, regardless of how little or how much time you have to spend. We share camaraderie, engage intergenerationally, and help the shul

grow. Your nominal dues support our programs which enable us to provide financial and social support to the synagogue. Membership (or being female) is not a prerequisite for attending our events so please join us. **Upcoming is our traditional vegetarian Supper in the Sukkah on Thursday, October 27th.**

At this season we reflect on our actions and ask forgiveness of any one whom we have offended in our brief term as Co-Presidents. We're new at this and ask for your patience and support as we learn, and we welcome your feedback and input.

L'Shanah Tovah,  
Susan and Joyce



The poster features a decorative border of autumn leaves at the top. On the left is a bowl of soup with croutons, and on the right is a baked potato topped with cheese. In the center, the Kol Rinah logo is above the text "SISTERHOOD SUPPER IN THE SUKKAH" in large, bold, black letters. Below this, the date and time "Thursday, September 27 at 6:30 pm" are displayed. At the bottom, a short program followed by HaMotzi and dinner in Sukkah (weather permitting) is mentioned, along with the cost: \$8 for Sisterhood members and \$10 for non-Sisterhood members. An RSVP deadline of Monday, Sept. 24th is also included.

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SUPPER IN THE SUKKAH**  
Thursday, September 27 at 6:30 pm

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\$8 – Sisterhood members, \$10 – non-Sisterhood members, RSVP to office by Monday, Sept. 24th

# LET'S BUILD TOGETHER!

**Your pledge matters! • Be a part of this historic, transformational project • Join the list:**

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 Marc and Penny Alper  
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 Marcia Sokol-Anderson  
 Anonymous (12)  
 David and Madeleine Arnow  
 Rabbi Noah and  
 Tammy Arnow  
 Karen Aroesty  
 Jaron Asher  
 Carol Battle  
 Ben and Joan Barzilai  
 Irene Belsky  
 Henry and Mary Berger  
 Howard and  
 Jacqueline Berliner  
 Michael and Gina Bernstein  
 Barbara Bianco  
 Linda Biggs  
 Steven and  
 Marsha Birenbaum  
 Aaron and Denise Bobick  
 Beatrice Borenstein  
 Burton and Benita Boxerman  
 Leo Bressler  
 Steven Brody and  
 Brenda Grossman  
 Max and Susan Brown  
 Rabbi Micah and  
 Aviva Buck-Yael  
 Jeremy Buhler and  
 Wendy Love Anderson  
 Joe Burstein  
 Lauren Buchsbaum  
 Michael Cannon and  
 Denise Field  
 Josh and Laura Chaise  
 Jerry Cohen  
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 Roger and Teri Cohen  
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 Dave and Alisa Cooperstein  
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 Joyce Eisenberg  
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 Bernard and  
 Marjorie Feldman  
 Richard and Jody Feldman  
 Harvey and Jackie Fenster  
 Roberta Fine  
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 Michael and  
 Jessica Friedlander  
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 Richard and Linda Gavatin  
 Michael Ginsburg  
 Monroe and Cindy Ginsburg  
 Joseph and Abigail Goldberg

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 Stuart Hoffman and  
 Rita Rothschild  
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 Mindy Horwitz  
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 James Jacob

Judel and Susan Lew  
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 Bruce Lippman and  
 Patricia Cohen  
 Barbara Lowes and  
 C.W. Schneider  
 Fred and Linda Makler  
 Marvin and Ginger Marcus  
 Men's Club  
 Rabbi Mordecai Miller  
 Jacob and Jessica Mirowitz  
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 Randi Mozenter and  
 Larry Friedman  
 Richard Mozenter  
 Marshall and Sara Myers

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 Judi Sadon  
 Ken Sandler and  
 Ruth Sandler  
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 Rabbi Tracy Nathan  
 Alan Snyder and  
 Sharon Rosenberg  
 Bill Solomon  
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 Alan Weiler  
 Kenneth Weintraub and  
 Sharon Katz-Weintraub  
 Steve Weisman  
 Michael and Karen Wetmore  
 Angela Wexelman  
 James White and  
 Cindy Payant  
 Frances Wilner  
 Women's Social Group  
 Keith and Karen Zeff

Our campaign has surpassed  
**\$5,200,000**

Theresa Goldenhersh  
 Neal and Sandra Goldford  
 Edith (Edie) Goldman  
 Esti Goldman  
 Herb Goldman  
 Janet Goldman  
 Hal and Marcia Goldsmith  
 Michael and Abby Goldstein  
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 Melania Lapidus  
 Paula Lerman  
 Marvin and Doris Lerner  
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 Allen Levin and Joyce Gang  
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 Deborah Rubin  
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 Al Leving  
 Vicki Levinson  
 Donald and Hedva Levy

Phil and Sima Needleman  
 Steven Nehmen  
 Jerry Nuell  
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 Sharongay Pearlne  
 Enid Perll  
 Keith and Jinny Petrofsky  
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 Shirley Portman  
 Harlan Radinsky  
 Andrew Rehfeld and  
 Miggie Greenberg  
 Jonathan Root and  
 Deborah Zimmerman  
 Arlene Rosenberg  
 Steven and  
 Andrea Rosenblum  
 Dan Rosenthal and  
 Laurie Furman  
 Andrew and Nancy Rosman  
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 MaryAnne Smyly Sabin  
 Bruce and Ellen Sabin,  
 David Samuels and the



# Adult Education

Richard Gavatin & Ralph Graff - Co-Chairs

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## The Kol Rinah Discussion Group

What were we?

What are we?

What should we be in the future?

### What were we?

We started as a book club in support of Scholars in Residence. We would pick a book which related to a Scholar's program and review it to help us appreciate the Scholar's presentation.

Our third Scholar, Hillel Kieval, recommended Ismar Schorsch's book *Text and Context*.

A large part of that book dealt with a group of German intellectuals of the early 1800s who formed a self-learning discussion group (the "*Verein*", often translated as "society") to better understand Judaism.

The Verein led to the development of the Reform, Conservative and Modern Orthodox movements.

The nature of our books changed to emulate that group. We wanted to understand our authorities, Maimonides, Schechter, Spinoza etc. Although we sought Rabbinic oversight (Rabbi Skoff, z'l, attended regularly), self-learning became a critical aspect.

### Where are we?

In recent months we have attempted to address current issues: Elliot Dorff's book, *The Unfolding Tradition: Jewish Law After Sinai*, the role of the Matrilineal concept in modern Judaism, Gillman's *Sacred Fragments*

and *Doing your own Theology* (the next program will deal with Ritual and Prayer). We are planning programs on Chazzanute and on Israel.

### What should we be in the future?

The simple answer is we must fill a need. We would point out that there are multiple Orthodox facilities in Clayton/University City offering sophisticated traditional educational programming. We are the only non-Orthodox facility in that area.

Our membership is rich with educators who innately are self-learners, and we've had a bottom-up way of doing business: Our members have contributed to the programs with interesting topics and excellent presentations. We've also have had the benefit of having Rabbi Pamela Barmash here and she has bestowed upon us her vast knowledge and experience. Nevertheless, this has been – to a great extent – a lay-led endeavor.

We would like to continue operating that way and we are asking you for your feedback.

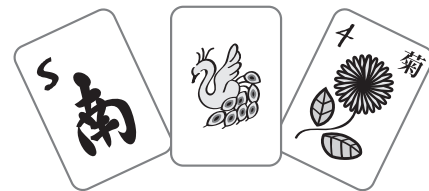
Rabbi Arnow has suggested that we plan regular meetings over the next year. To do so, we need to pick interesting subjects and increase the number participating. We must increase our appeal so that individuals are willing to set aside their limited social time to participate, to increase the number of those taking ownership.

What venue will best attract individuals? We have used individuals' homes, Lunch and Learn following Shabbat services and Sunday in-house programs.

As we have done periodically, we are asking for responses. We ask that you take a few minutes to think about our questions and send a response.

1. Subjects?
2. Venue?
3. What would induce you to use your valuable time?

**We need to hear from you!**



## Play Mahjongg with Kol Rinah's Women's Social Group

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# Kol Rinah Families

Tammy Arnow, Family Programming Coordinator

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I love summer. I love the heat, and I don't even mind the humidity; I love the long days, the flexibility to get away for a bit, and not feeling as tied to a schedule. And this was a great summer for families at Kol Rinah, with three Shabbats in the Park on Friday nights, the historic groundbreaking at our new home (complete with hard hats, sand, and trucks), and a wonderful pool party hosted by Brett and Jada Fox (thank you!).

But what I long for about fall is the return to regular kids' Shabbat programming at Kol Rinah, when families are back from vacation and ready to connect with new and old friends. Back-to-School

Shabbat is this year's "welcome back" to the new year for learners and teachers of all ages. Our calendar has Shabbat-morning opportunities for kids and families to learn and build community together. This year we add two new elements to our calendar: 1) Junior Torah Talk (which will take place on specific Shabbat mornings) and will be modeled after the "grown-up" version, but geared to elementary-school-aged kids, and 2) First Friday Nights for families, a special invitation to families to join Kabbalat Shabbat services, with a slightly shortened service, plus snacks before services and a few surprises to help kids feel connected.

I am so thrilled that new families have joined our shul community and others are seeking out the vibrant and fun community we are building. Please spread the word about our programs and mark your calendars for Tashlich (Sunday September 16), a family Sukkot celebration (Sunday September 23), and Simchat Torah dinner and dancing (Monday October 1). As always, be in touch at families@kolrinahstl.org with questions, ideas, or ways you would like to get involved. Wishing us all a sweet, happy, healthy new year, filled with learning, growth, and the sweetness of community.

## Early Childhood Education

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Our new school year began on August 13th and we've been off to a great start! In addition to a successful summer camp filled with fun Eric Carle-themed activities, our ECC staff spent the first week of August learning and growing as professionals. To kick off the week, Marci Mayer Eisen, from Jewish Federation of St. Louis shared her knowledge with us, talking about our individual and shared values while working on the school community we create for each other and our families. Next, we welcomed Jen Lotsoff, Coordinator for PJ Library, who introduced us to all the amazing teaching tools provided by PJ Goes to

School (a companion program to PJ Library), so we can better incorporate these books and Jewish values into our curriculum. Our entire staff also received their annual CPR and First Aid certification training. But that's not all that kept our staff busy! Had you walked down the hallway during this week, you would have seen teachers painting, assembling furniture, rearranging their room layouts and preparing to meet their new classes.

Inspired by our time spent with last year's ShinShin and looking forward to welcoming this year's, we have introduced a school-wide Hebrew

Word of the Week. So far, teachers have taught the children *shalom* (hello, goodbye, peace), *chaverim* (friends), *savta* (grandmother), *saba* (grandfather), *tapuach* (apple), and *d'vash* (honey).

And last, **mark your calendars now for December 2, 2018!** KRECC is thrilled to be hosting our family and community Hannukah program and book fair at Barnes and Nobles at Ladue Crossing. This is our big annual fundraiser with a portion of all purchases donated to our school. We look forward to seeing you there!

# Kol Rinah Religious School

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## Learning to Serve

I was sitting in a small, 2-bedroom apartment in Wayland, MA while my host took a quick phone call. This was about 14 years ago, and I was a young community organizer doing 1-1 meetings and trying to train leaders in how to fight for the things that matter most to them. I was finishing up a conversation with a young woman who was active in one of my organization's member churches, and I was trying to convince her to be a part of a leadership team that would help mobilize people to take action on a variety of issues.

As she came back and got her things together to go pick her daughter up from school, she paused and said, "Listen, it's not that I don't want to help, or that I don't want things to get better. But who am I to demand them from anyone? Why would they listen to me?"

And I answered by relaying something one of my mentors had said to me thousands of times: "Being a leader is not always about being the most important or influential person in the world. Being a leader means having people who will follow you, who will dedicate themselves to a cause because they have a relationship with you."

And she said, "I guess it would just be nice to be of service." Two months later, she was leading a team of 200 people going to talk to the mayor of Boston about signing on and supporting what would later become Massachusetts' landmark series of healthcare laws.

Working with her, I learned how powerful serving others can be. It can

change a person's perspective on life and give them ideas they would have never had otherwise. It can help them develop teamwork and leadership skills, as well as discover more about who they are and what they want to do in the world. And most of all, helping others nourishes our souls and helps us be the kind of people we would most like to be.

Because of that, and due to so much of your feedback, our Kol Rinah Engaged, Active Teen Education (KREATE) program will be largely devoted to service learning this year. We have been busy building relationships with a variety of non-profits, both within the St. Louis Jewish community and in the wider world, so that our 8th, 9th, and 10th grade students can have the life-changing experiences that acts of service can provide. More than this, we want our teens to be a part of something larger than themselves, where they can discover more about who they are while at the same time building memorable connections with their friends. And since many of our local schools and honor societies require service hours anyway, it seems like a natural fit for many of our teenage students.

If you are ending middle school or beginning high school, I want to invite you to join in with this exciting new learning cohort. I promise that you will make incredible, life-long bonds, learn an incredible amount about the world around you, and make a difference in our community. I hope to see you all there!

## KR On The Move!

Kol Rinah joyously celebrated groundbreaking at our Maryland Avenue home on Sunday August 19. Thank you to all who have made this milestone happen and to those of you who will continue to support our project.

Check out the **On the Move** section of the Kol Rinah website to see a timeline of all that has been accomplished since our merger and a listing of our future steps.

[www.kolrinahstl.org/on-the-move/](http://www.kolrinahstl.org/on-the-move/)

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# Men's Club

Max Brown - Men's Club President

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I always look forward to the High Holy Days. They provide me an opportunity to reflect on the past year and plan for the next; renew (return to) the path to walk in God's ways; and revive or resuscitate my commitment to the mitzvot. They also give me a chance to refresh my commitment to Kol Rinah. I hope you will join me in these views.

It was a quiet summer for the Men's Club. Our only event in June was Hearing Men's Voices. There were no events in July. In August, we hosted the annual Welcome Back to KoREH Pancake Breakfast on the first day of religious school. And we held another Hearing Men's Voices in August.

With the summer hiatus over, the Men's Club is jumping feet first right back into the things it does for Kol Rinah's members.

**September 25** - Steak & Scotch in the Sukkah with a Touch of Talmud

**October 15** - Hearing Men's Voices

**December 2** - Build Your Own Hannukia

**December 9** - Poker, Dreidel and Games Night

**February 2019** - Men's Club Shabbat

**March 2, 2019** - Man & Youth of the Year

**May 3, 2019** - Shabbat in Mexico, Mazon HaOlam dinner and Kabbalat Shabbat

More information on each event as each date approaches.

I mentioned Hearing Men's Voices twice in coming events. Do you wonder what Hearing Men's Voices is? Here's a description from the Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs:

Hearing Men's Voices (HMV) is a program that engages men in Jewish life by building male relationships and extending Jewish community. Hearing Men's Voices facilitates intimacy among men through dialogue. Men meet in groups to discuss common issues. The quality of dialogue can be rich and enjoyable.

Jewish men face unique challenges. Jewish men are ready for greater male intimacy, and they are looking for male forums. Men's Clubs are the natural venue for Jewish men to engage in quality conversations.

The ground rules for HMV are that no one judges others and what is said at HMV is confidential and remains within the group. Try it, you might like it.

B'Shalom,

*Max*

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<b>1</b> Sat	<i>Parashat Ki Tavo</i> <b>Bat Mitzvah Claire Spector</b> 9am Shabbat Service - Aud (lower) 10:10am Torah Talk - Sanctuary 6:10pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/ Ma'ariv 8:12pm Havdalah 8:30pm Selichot Program 9:30pm Selichot
<b>2</b> Sun	<b>No KoREH - Labor Day Wknd</b> 8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv <b>10am Talk by Rabbi Daniel Nevins</b> - Community Rm
<b>3</b> Mon	<b>Labor Day - ECC Closed</b> 8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
<b>4</b> Tue	7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv 8am The Observant Life - Community Rm
<b>5</b> Wed	7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv 4:15pm KoREH 6:45pm <b>Rabbi Sherre Hirsch</b> - Sisterhood/Women's League Video Conference
<b>6</b> Thu	7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv 8am ECC Rosh Hashanah Family Program 8:30am Limmud & Lattes with Rabbi Shafrin - Kaldi's Coffee - 187 Carondelet Plaza in Clayton 9am Study Pesach with Rabbi Shulamit Cenker - Community Rm 7pm Personnel Committee Mtng - Community Rm
<b>7</b> Fri	7am Shacharit <b>11:30am Grandparents Shabbat</b> - Lobby 6pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/ Ma'ariv - Aud (lower) 7:04pm Candle Lighting

<b>8</b> Sat	<i>Parashat Nitzavim</i> 9am Shabbat Service - Aud (lower) 10:10am Torah Talk - Community Rm 6pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/ Ma'ariv 8pm Havdalah
<b>9</b> Sun	<b>EREV ROSH HASHANAH</b> <b>No KoREH</b> 8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv 7:01pm Candle Lighting
<b>10</b> Mon	<b>ROSH HASHANAH</b> <b>ECC Closed</b> 8am Morning Services 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv 7:57pm Candle Lighting
<b>11</b> Tue	<b>ROSH HASHANAH</b> <b>ECC Closed</b> 8am Morning Services 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv 7:56pm Havdalah
<b>12</b> Wed	<b>TZOM GEDALIAH</b> 5:15am Fast Starts 7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv 10am Women's Social Group Mtng - Daily Chapel 4:15pm KoREH 6:30pm Ritual Committee Mtng - Community Rm 7:42pm Fast Ends
<b>13</b> Thu	7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv 8:30am Limmud & Lattes with Rabbi Shafrin - Kaldi's Coffee - 187 Carondelet Plaza in Clayton 9am Study Pesach with Rabbi Shulamit Cenker - Community Rm 7pm Coordinating Committee Mtng - Community Rm

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<b>14</b> Fri	7am Shacharit 6pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/ Ma'ariv - Aud (lower) 6:53pm Candle Lighting
<b>15</b> Sat	<i>Parashat Vaayeilech</i> <b>Shabbat Shuva</b> 9am Shabbat Service - Aud (lower) 10:10am Torah Talk - Community Rm 5:50pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/ Ma'ariv 7:49pm Havdalah
<b>16</b> Sun	8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv 9am Communications Mtng - ECC Office 9am KoREH - Tashlich Program 9:30am Sisterhood Meeting - Crown Center <b>9:30am Tashlich</b> - Oak Knoll Park in Clayton <b>3pm Adult Ed Book Discussion</b> - home of Phil & Deborah Gould (see cover ad)
<b>17</b> Mon	7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
<b>18</b> Tue	<b>EREV YOM KIPPUR</b> 7am Shacharit 8am The Observant Life - Community Rm 3pm ECC dismissal for Yom Kippur 6:35pm Mincha/Kol Nidre/Ma'ariv 6:47pm Candle Lighting
<b>19</b> Wed	<b>YOM KIPPUR</b> <b>No KoREH or ECC</b> 9am Morning Services 4:15pm Mincha 6:15pm Neila 7:15pm Ma'ariv 7:42pm Fast Ends/Havdalah/Break the Fast

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**20**  
**Thu**

7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv  
8:30am Limmud & Lattes with Rabbi Shafrin - Kaldi's Coffee - 187 Carondelet Plaza in Clayton  
9am Study Pesach with Rabbi Shulamit Cenker - Community Rm  
7pm Kol Rinah Board Mtng - Aud (upper)

**21**  
**Fri**

7am Shacharit  
6pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/ Ma'ariv - Aud (lower)  
6:42pm Candle Lighting

**22**  
**Sat**

*Parashat Ha'Azinu*  
9am Shabbat Service - Aud (lower)  
10:10am Torah Talk - Community Rm  
5:40pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/ Ma'ariv  
7:38pm Havdalah

**23**  
**Sun**

**EREV SUKKOT**  
**Fall Begins**  
8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv  
9am Communications Mtng - ECC Office  
**10am Community Sukkah Brunch**  
6:39pm Candle Lighting

**24**  
**Mon**

**SUKKOT (Day 1- Yom Tov)**  
**ECC Closed for Sukkot**  
9am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv  
7:34pm Candle Lighting

**25**  
**Tue**

ECC Closed for Sukkot  
**SUKKOT (Day 2- Yom Tov)**  
9am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv  
**6:30pm Steak & Scotch in the Sukkah**  
7:33pm Havdalah

**26**  
**Wed**

**SUKKOT (Day 3)**  
6:45am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/ Ma'ariv  
4:15pm KoREH  
**4:30pm ECC Family Dinner -**  
Outdoor ClassRm

**27**  
**Thu**

**SUKKOT (Day 4)**  
6:45am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/ Ma'ariv  
8:30am Limmud & Lattes with Rabbi Shafrin - Kaldi's Coffee - 187 Carondelet Plaza in Clayton  
9am Study Pesach with Rabbi Shulamit Cenker - Community Rm  
**6:30pm Sisterhood Supper in the Sukkah**

**28**  
**Fri**

**SUKKOT (Day 5)**  
6:45am Shacharit  
6pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/ Ma'ariv - Aud (lower)  
6:31pm Candle Lighting

**29**  
**Sat**

**SUKKOT (Day 6)**  
9am Shabbat Service - Aud (lower)  
10:10am Torah Talk - Community Rm  
10:45am Rhythm n' Ruach  
5:25pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/ Ma'ariv  
7:26pm Havdalah

**30**  
**Sun**

**SUKKOT - HOSHANAH RABAH**  
8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv  
9am Communications Mtng - ECC Office  
9:30am KoREH  
6:28pm Candle Lighting



## "Eating the Bible" Dinner

*Women from the Women's Torah Study Group of KR*

This dinner was hosted at Beth Rubin's house this past June. The recipes are NOT BIBLICAL - nor middle eastern. They are cute and clever. We used recipes from the book to make Challah, greek salad, 'anointed vegetables', 'half shekel carrot coins', 'honey kugel', 'red lentil soup', fruit drinks, cranberry bread and 'rocky road deep chocolate fudge' and honeydew for dessert!

**There are tentative plans to make this a bigger dinner for the entire shul. Stay tuned!**

Interested? Contact Joyce Olshan - [olshanj@gmail.com](mailto:olshanj@gmail.com)

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