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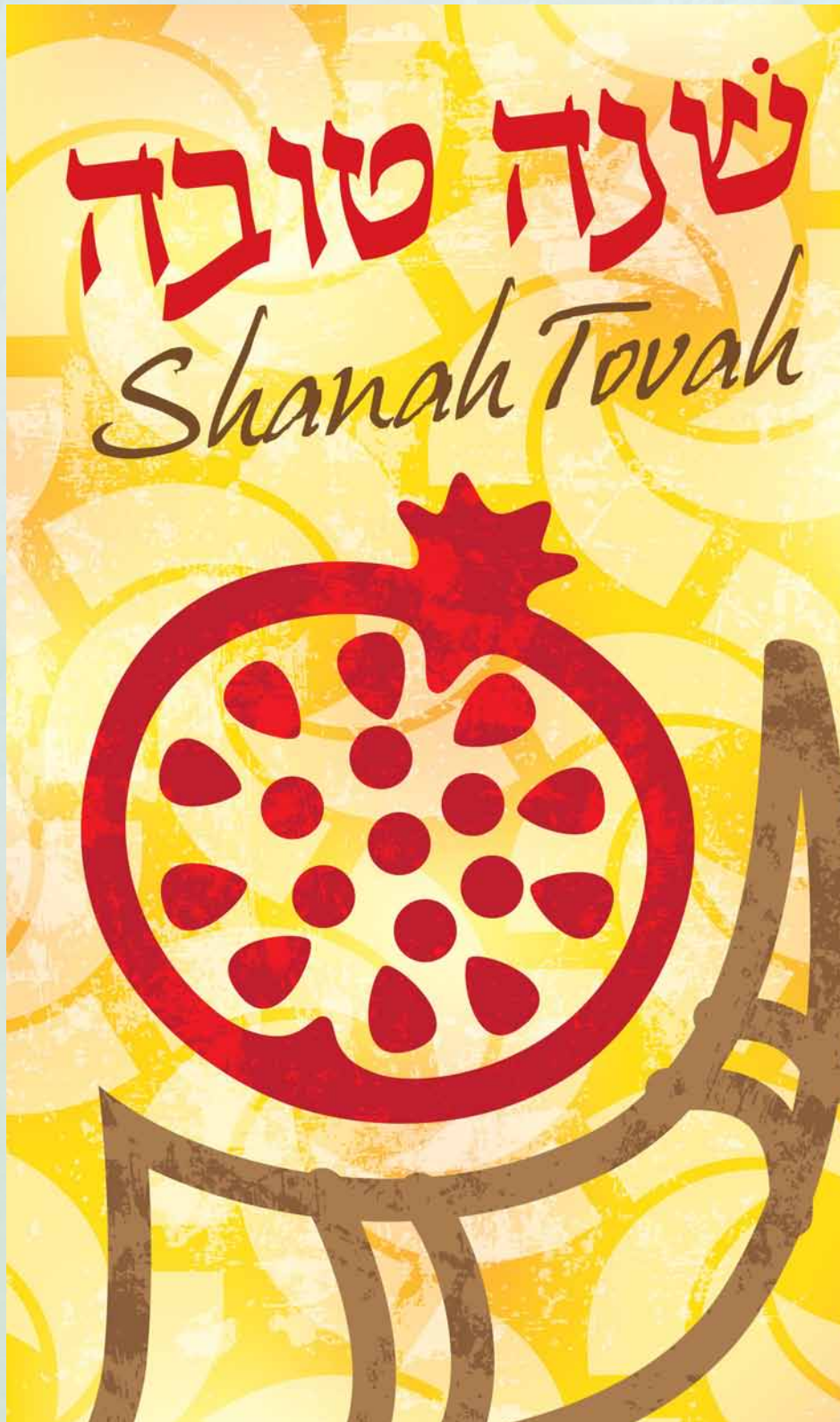
Sun 1	ROSH CHODESH ELUL
Mon 2	Labor Day
Sat 7	SIR Pamela Barmash
Sun 8	East Side Reunion
Sep 15	Reflecting Back program
Sun 16	Town Hall- Ethics of our Fathers
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	Selichot and program
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Due to construction, our Torah Move parade for Oct. 20 and the Open Space event for Oct. 27 have been postponed until security of the site can be guaranteed. Stay Tuned!

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High Holiday forms



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.

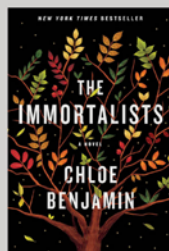
Kol Rinah & Bnai Amoona BOOK CLUB

The club meets on the fourth Thursday of each month to discuss books by Jewish authors or Jewish content.

Location: County Library on Lindbergh

Women and men are welcome.

Thursday, September 26
"The Immortalists"
by Chloe Benjamin



Free of Charge
Contact Betty Siegel
for more information:
314-991-0709

Jewish Food Pantry September List

1. Canned Tuna Fish & Canned Chicken
2. Healthy Cereals
3. Kosher Foods
4. Peanut Butter & Jelly
5. Any Type of Canned Fruit
6. Canned Pasta
7. Personal Care Items (Deodorant, Hand Soap and Kleenex)

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

A Message from Our Rabbis

Rabbi Scott Shafrin - Associate Rabbi

RabbiShafrin@kolrinahstl.org

Turning Over a New Leaf

As we move through the month of Elul and into the High Holiday season and the New Jewish year of 5780, it's worth taking a moment to appreciate how many incredible things we have been able to mark as a community. New members have joined our community and entered our world. We have stood up for one another, and for people around the world, when they were vulnerable. We have come together to celebrate our greatest joys and comfort one another in our darkest hours.

Each new year brings us new opportunities. Together, as a community, we will soon be moving into our new home at 7701 Maryland Avenue. Thanks to the hard work of our Facilities committee members, our fundraisers, our Board and synagogue leadership, as well as our architects, construction crew, and so many others, we will be able to come together in a new, modern space that has enough room to help us grow far into the future. It is an incredibly exciting time, and could not have been possible without all of you who have volunteered, donated to the capital campaign, shared your excitement about the project, and helped push this community forward.

It feels incredibly meaningful to be preparing for this singular opportunity alongside some of our most sacred holidays. And as we prepare for this physical move to a new building, we want to have our spiritual experiences throughout these holidays reflect the

joy, significance, connections, history, and passion that we all bring with us.

Last year during Rosh HaShanah and Yom Kippur, we added some new options to our High Holiday worship. We listened and learned from your feedback and were so thrilled to hear about some of your experiences. Because of that feedback, we are planning, for much of the time, to have two services running simultaneously throughout the Days of Awe (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 delve deeply into the familiar sounds, words, and melodies of the High Holidays, focusing on the customary form of worship for each holiday service, while at the same time creating space for your own words, intentions, and spiritual moments.

The downstairs service will use the same machzor, but will have musical instruments (guitar, piano, and gentle percussion), and will move intentionally through certain prayers, readings, and melodies with an eye to bringing all of our voices together to create new spiritual expression. 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.

Both of these services are designed to create thoughtful and insightful worship experiences, along with crafting new bonds between people and giving each person their access to these incredible holidays. We hope that you will be able to find both a comfortable spot to pray, learn, talk, sing, and reflect, as well as a new experience for a new year.

We will also be planning to hold a host of learning experiences, family activities, and spiritual spaces for community members, friends, and guests of all ages. Whether you know these holidays, their customs, and their prayer services like the back of your hand or this will be your first time with us, our goal is to bring everyone together to begin our year with joy, reflection, community-building, and warmth. We hope that you will join us during these High Holidays and that you will be able to have a genuine encounter with your neighbors, your community, your family, your friends, and your innermost selves. We hope that whichever services and experiences you take part in during these holidays, you will come away having looked deeply at yourself, discovered moments of genuine spiritual joy, sung with gusto, clapped with passion, and connected with the people around you.

May we all be inscribed and sealed this year in the Book of Life.

Mazel Tov!

September Birthdays

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

September Anniversaries

Byron & Audrey Katcher
Aaron & Cynthia Vickar
Barry & Alissa Duel
Kenneth & Cheryl Stein
Mitchell & Joyce Podolsky
Andrew Rehfeld & Miggie Greenberg
Marc & Lvav Spector
L. Louis & Susan Albert

** Birthdays and Anniversaries are listed chronologically*

Our newsletter is designed by Tovah Enger with the invaluable proofing help of: Rabbi Noah Arnow, Tammy Arnow, Nancy Greene, Missy Kayman, Micki Kingsley and Cindy Payant. Thank you!

October Birthdays

Susan Albert, Dana Garner, Marilyn Evans, Esther Raizel, Dovran Olshan, Miggie Greenberg, Claire Halpern, Alissa Duel, Maurice Guller, Andrea Rosenblum, Shuli Igielnik, David Ginsburg, Leigh Sher, Barbara Meyers, Laurie Furman, Ari Duel, Hallel Arnow, Marian Katz, Omri Praiss, Joyce Podolsky, Mildred Hoffman, Klara Rybak, Phyllis Bynum, Linda Gavatin, Joshua Ettinger, Grace Kalina, Janet Jacob, Isaac Picker, Easton Porter, Marvin Marcus, Mary Ellen Movshin, Samuel Rubin, Hannah Zaidman, Rachel Flug, Darien Arnstein, Sanford Boxerman, Abigail Goldstein, Gershon Spector, Ronald Portman, Harlan Heller, Gabriel Karabell, Lawrence Margulis, Michael Root, Amy Rubin, Tammy Stolz Miller, Randee Jacobs, Amy Friedman, Amarys Evans, Jordan Stettner, James Bashkin, Eve Root, Avra Arnow, Scott Stein, Roger Brockman, Jacob Goldstein, Joanne Singer, Ella Kalachek, Jacob Goldsmith, Lvav Spector, Susan Gartenberg, Max Brown, Asher Fox, Raphael Barrett, Julie Kopitsky, Rebecca Mollett, Caleb Rosenthal

October Anniversaries

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

Mazal Tov on the Bat Mitzvah of Grace Cooperstein September 21, 2019



Thank You

We so appreciated the lovely cards and tributes in honor of our 63rd anniversary. Thank you to our many Kol Rinah friends.

Don & Betty Siegel

Thank you all for thinking of us and sending tributes/cards for our three mitzvot during this past wonderful July.

Sincerely,

Phil and Bonnie Levens

To my extended Kol Rinah family,

Thank you for the support and well wishes at the passing of my brother Ray. Your cards, emails, and donations in his name were great comfort as I mourned the sudden loss of a treasured loved one.

Tony Granillo

Condolences to the Families Of

Jerome Grossman
Joshua Iken
Myron Kopperman
C.W. Scherer

May their memories be a blessing.

President's Message

Randi Mozenter - Kol Rinah President

president@kolrinahstl.org

The High Holidays are always a special time of looking back and learning from the past, while looking forward to the prospects for renewal that are offered by the New Year. This High Holiday season, of course, will be particularly special. We will be fondly remembering the six decades our legacy congregations spent at their old buildings, while looking forward with excitement and anticipation to the prospect of moving into our new home on Maryland Avenue. Please join us on September 15 at 6:30pm when Gary Kodner leads us on a journey back in time.

This landmark in the history of our congregation -- and for that matter, in the history of the St. Louis Jewish community--has been possible only

through the hard work, dedication, and generosity of all of you. I hope everyone who reads this message will take pride in the role you have played in sustaining our community, which offers so much of what the world needs more than ever; warmth, inclusion, spirituality, Jewish values, and the belief that what brings us together is sacred and sustaining in a world that at times seems to try to tear us apart.

Our new sanctuary is the centerpiece of our new facility that makes it possible to create and sustain vibrant traditional, egalitarian, inclusive, welcoming and inspiring Jewish services, programming, education and celebrations for all age groups for decades to come. There are still many opportunities to contribute to our ongoing capital campaign as we

work to complete the facility, and build out our exemplary and overflowing Early Childhood Center. I urge you to consider contributing to the campaign if you have not yet done so, or adding to your past support if you have already contributed.

December 8 at 10am is our annual Congregational Meeting and election.

As I look back on the past and look forward to the future, I am all the more mindful of how all of your support has sustained us over the years and during our historic transition. May 5780 be a year of peace that establishes a foundation for our community to thrive for many years to come.

With appreciation,

Randi Mozenter

Reflecting Back... As We Move Forward September 15, 2019 at 6:30 pm

You are invited to dinner and a fond look back at the history of our parent congregations through images and stories.

Gary Kodner will present Kol Rinah's rich genealogy, reflecting on some of the highlights, rabbis, leaders, homes of our parent congregations: [Brith Sholom, Shaare Zedek, Kneseth Israel, and BSKI]

(Dairy) Dinner: \$12 ea. RSVP: kolrinahstl.org • 314.727.1747 • nancy@kolrinahstl.org by SEPT. 8





Woodstock Tie-Dye

Chesed Visits!

Contact Barbara Bianco
314.727.2399 or
barbarab2@aol.com



Introduction to Judaism Class

Always been curious about Judaism?

Never paid attention in Hebrew School?

Are you (or someone you love) thinking about officially joining the Tribe?

Kol Rinah is hosting the American Jewish University's "Miller Intro to Judaism Program" and welcomes you to join in the learning!

This course is geared toward both Jews and non-Jews who want to learn more and gain new perspectives on Jewish life. Bring your questions, concerns, and thoughts together with a group of thoughtful, inquisitive learners and explore the wisdom depth, and joy of Jewish living.

Tuesday evenings 6:30 - 9:00pm

18 classes will be led by Rabbis Arnow and Shafrin (August – February)

A complete schedule is posted at KolRinahStl.org or call 314.727.1747

Tuition Fee: \$100 for all 18 sessions



Sisterhood

Joyce Gang, Susan Brown - Sisterhood Co-Presidents

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It's difficult to begin our column as usual with information about an interesting program or a Kiddush the Sisterhood is doing. As we write, the horror of the murders of the last several weeks is still new. By the time you read this, the shock may be moderated but not the sorrow, outrage and once again the worry about what these events mean for our country and our Jewish community. We send a message of healing and strength to the many communities impacted by these tragedies and our wish is that wise people will make principled decisions. Our hope is that safety in our country will be a given, not just a desire.

Now we turn to our own Kol Rinah. In addition to providing us with wonderful Kiddush luncheons in June and July, we offer our ongoing thanks to Steve and Nancy Keyser through the Faye Keyser Seudah Fund for sponsoring the Kiddush on August 24th. Double mazel tov and thank you for allowing us to provide the kiddush jointly celebrating Benita Boxerman's birthday and Phil and Sima Needleman's 60th anniversary. Also a big thanks to Maxine and Murray Kalina who graciously asked us to provide the Kiddush luncheon for their granddaughter Grace's Bat Mitzvah.

We enjoyed a day of summer fun as we tie-dyed t-shirts at Craft Central in August at a free program for Sisterhood members and their families. Speaking of Sisterhood membership, all women in the congregation should have received letters inviting them to join

or renew their membership. We appreciate each member, and look forward to hearing from you. Your dues help us provide financial support directly to the Early Childhood Center, USY, the Religious School and the shul itself. Besides, we're a fun group to be around.

Both we and ORT thank you for your support of our Honey from the Heart fundraiser, which benefitted not only the Sisterhood, but importantly provides funding for the Kfar Silver Youth Village, which serves vulnerable students from high poverty homes, all of whom have learning, and/or family problems and many of whom are orphaned.

Sisterhood has partnered with Men's Club in going through the tallitot used weekly at services. We have taken many to be cleaned, so that all who use the congregational tallitot will find them clean and ready for their use.

Our traditional Break-the-Fast meal, the last in our Hanley location, is once again generously being sponsored by Steve and Nancy Keyser through the Faye Keyser Seudah Fund and provided by the Sisterhood. Watch for information. And yes, we will be offering kiddushes in our "new" home. So many individuals give much time and energy to make these delicious meals. You are greatly appreciated!

At this season we reflect upon our actions and ask forgiveness from anyone whom we have offended as co-presidents of Sisterhood. We sincerely appreciate your help and encouragement, and look to guide Sisterhood on the giving paths of its past.

L'Shanah Tovah,

Susan and Joyce

Town Hall: "Ethics of our Fathers" in STL & Missouri Government



Monday, September 16, 6:30 pm

**with Benjamin Singer and
St. Louis County Councilwoman
Lisa Clancy**

"Do not take bribes, for bribes blind the clear-sighted and upset the pleas of those who are in the right." (Exodus 23:8)

Ethics reform has had bipartisan support in County Council and across the state. So what can we do together to ensure transparency, integrity, and accountability in government? Local leaders and elected officials will discuss proposals for ethics reform, with time for Q&A. This will be an opportunity to learn and take action for ethics.



Scholar in Residence:

Rabbi Dr. Pamela Barmash

Saturday, September 7, 2019



The Interplay Between Exodus Past and Present.

11:00 am Sermon during Shabbat Services

12:30 pm Further study after Kiddush in the Sara Myers Community Room

Exodus! No other event in Jewish history has so captured the emotions and thoughts of Jews through the millennia like the Exodus. It has stirred Jews in times of despair and shaken them in periods of complacency. We will study how Jews have reshaped the story of the Exodus through innovative religious, social, and cultural strategies.

Pamela Barmash has published widely on biblical and ancient Near Eastern law and on history and memory. Barmash received her BA from Yale, rabbinic ordination from the Jewish Theological Seminary, and PhD from Harvard. In her academic scholarship, she addresses issues of law and justice in her book *Homicide in the Biblical World* (2005, Cambridge University Press) and in her edited volume *The Oxford Handbook of Biblical Law* (2019, Oxford University Press). She shows how Jews have transformed the story of the Exodus and the celebration of Passover to meet changing needs and concerns in Exodus in the Jewish Experience: *Echoes and Reverberations* (2015, Lexington Books, edited with W. David Nelson). She is currently finishing a monograph on the *Laws of Hammurabi*, and she is editing a book on how the transition from one empire to another in antiquity influenced how communities remember and imagine themselves. In her rabbinic writing, she is the author of *teshuvot (rabbinic responsa) on contemporary issues in Judaism*.

Barmash teaches courses at Washington University on modern perspectives on the Bible, law and justice, mythology, the problem of evil, traditional Scriptural interpretation, and biblical and ancient Jewish history, culture, and religion.

She is the editor of *Hebrew Studies*, and has served as the director of Jewish, Islamic, and Near Eastern Studies at Washington University from 2005-2011. She is currently Director of Undergraduate Studies and Study Abroad Advisor for the Department of Jewish, Islamic, and Middle Eastern Studies. She has been a fellow at the Hebrew University, Jerusalem, and at the Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton.

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Men's Club

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With All The Tragedy In The World – A Time For Peace

As I write this article, I am still reeling from the tragedies in El Paso and Dayton. Like me, by now you have read too many news stories and editorials, watched too many TV news stories and have developed your own thoughts and position. But that still has not eased the pain and grief in my heart for the innocent victims and for what these senseless acts of hate and terror are doing to the fiber of our country.

However, I have found a bright spot – a time for peace. For the last year or so the Men's Club has been hosting Kabbalat Shabbat services on the first Friday of the month at the Brentmoor Retirement Community in University City. We always have a minyan and the participants are incredibly grateful for a chance to once again experience the beauty and significance of the Kabbalat Shabbat service. Several members of our Brentmoor minyan have been moved to tears. This minyan is open to EVERYONE. So, some first Friday, please feel free to join us at 4pm in the Continental Room at the Brentmoor. Share this bright spot time for peace.

This picture was taken at the Kabbalat Shabbat service on August 2, 2019. I'm sure if you look closely, you will see familiar faces.

Shalom Aleichem,

Max Brown

Richard Gavatin



Kabbalat Shabbat at the Brentmoor

Share Your KR Pride!



**Buy a Kol Rinah Cap and
Help Send a Kol Rinah
Teen to Israel!**

\$14⁰⁰

Since 2017, the Men's Club Rabbi Emeriti Scholarship Fund has assisted five of our Kol Rinah teens to visit Israel or attend Jewish learning opportunities.

With your help we can help more of our kids!

Purchase this custom embroidered Kol Rinah cap and the proceeds will go directly to the Men's Club Rabbi Emeriti Scholarship Fund.

The caps are unisex and one-size-fits-all.





Cost \$14 each.

To order yours, email mensclub@kolrinahstl.org with "Share Your Pride Cap" in the subject line and indicate how many caps you wish to order.

We look forward to your order.

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Shabbat & Holiday Youth Programs

-  **First Friday Night for Families, 6pm: (All ages)** led by Rabbi Arnow and Rabbi Shafrin
On the first Friday night of each month, start off Shabbat with other families at Kol Rinah's Friday night services. We'll have snacks, a slightly-abbreviated service, and surprises to keep kids engaged. Grape juice and challah to follow!
-  **MifgaShabbat and Junior Torah Talk 10:45am - 11:45am** (kindergarten – 5th grade)
MifgaShabbat offers young Jews the opportunity to practice their prayer skills and learn tefillah choreography, liturgy, tunes, and more. Junior Torah Talk explores texts, like the weekly Torah portion or relevant stories and commentaries, through engaging discussion.
-  **Tot Shabbat 10:45 - 11:45** (ages 0 – 5 years) Wiggles are welcome at this joyful, interactive service! Children and their grownups will explore the Shabbat prayers with our hearts, bodies, and souls, through dance, prayer, and song. Sessions often highlight an upcoming holiday or special theme. Our time together ends with a special Shabbat kiddush!
-  **Rhythm 'n' Ruach 10:45-11:45** (ages 0 – 5 years) Rhythm 'n' Ruach introduces Jewish songs to your children's young souls. High-energy singing, praying, and playing with guitars, drums, shakers, tambourines, and more. Our time together ends with a special Shabbat kiddush!

Babysitting is available every Shabbat from 10am - 12pm.

September 6: **First Friday Night for Families**

September 13: **Back To School Shabbat,**
Rhythm 'n' Ruach

September 30: Rosh Hashanah In-Shul Programs

October 1: Rosh Hashanah In-Shul Programs

October 4: **First Friday Night for Families**

October 9: Yom Kippur In-Shul Programs

October 19: **Rhythm 'n' Ruach, MifgaShabbat**

October 21: Simchat Torah Dinner + Celebration

November 1: **First Friday Night for Families**

November 2: **Tot Shabbat, Jr. Torah Talk**

November 16: **Rhythm 'n' Ruach, MifgaShabbat**
New Member Shabbat

December 6: **First Friday Night for Families**

December 7: **Tot Shabbat, MifgaShabbat,**
Junior Torah Talk

December 14: **Rhythm 'n' Ruach, MifgaShabbat**
Young Families Hannukah Party

January 3: **First Friday Night for Families**

January 11: **Tot Shabbat, MifgaShabbat,**
Junior Torah Talk

January 25: **Rhythm 'n' Ruach**

January 26: Discovering Differences Session #1

February 1: **Tot Shabbat, MifgaShabbat,**
Junior Torah Talk

February 7: **First Friday Night for Families**

February 22: **Rhythm 'n' Ruach, MifgaShabbat**

February 23: Discovering Differences Session #2

February 29: Kol Rinah Trivia Night at JCC

March 6: **First Friday Night for Families**

March 8: Purim Carnival at 11:30 am

March 9: Family Purim Program

March 14: **Rhythm 'n' Ruach, MifgaShabbat**

March 28: **Tot Shabbat + New Baby Shabbat**
Junior Torah Talk

March 29: Discovering Differences Session #3

April 3: **First Friday Night for Families**

April 4: **Tot Shabbat + Mock Seder**

April 18: **Rhythm 'n' Ruach, MifgaShabbat**

May 1: **First Friday Night for Families**

May 9: **Rhythm 'n' Ruach, MifgaShabbat**

May 31 (Sun): Shavuot picnic

Stay for a kid-friendly kiddush following services!

Dates/programs subject to change. Contact families@kolrinahstl.org for more information.

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Welcome Melissa Bellows

Our New Youth and Family Program Director

I'm thrilled to be joining the Kol Rinah community as the Youth and Family Program Coordinator!

I am originally from Minneapolis, though I have lived in Chicago, Israel, and Cincinnati in the past decade! I received my Bachelor's degree in theater from Drake University, and transferred my theatrical skills to the classroom to receive a Master's Degree in Early Childhood Education.

I have worked with all ages in the Jewish world, from young families, teens, and parents, and I am looking forward to bringing those experiences to Kol Rinah. My husband, Adam, is the Assistant Rabbi at United Hebrew Congregation, and we love being a part of the larger St Louis Jewish Community!

We have 3 children, Max (4), Lila (2), and Jonah (1 month).

I look forward to getting to know this special community, and getting to form relationships with all of you. Please don't hesitate to be in touch with any thoughts, ideas, or concerns - or just to say hi!



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or Families@kolrinahstl.org*

A Good-Bye from Toby Loewenstein

When you start a new job, you can expect it to be challenging. There is a lot to learn, a lot to remember, and often, you just have to fake it til' you make it. There are also a lot of fun aspects of a new job - you learn new things and get to meet wonderful new people. I expected all of that when I started at Kol Rinah a year ago, and those expectations came to life (especially given I started right before the high holiday season!). I wasn't surprised or thrown by much, except for one thing.

It had been a while since I had spent much time in a conservative shul, or any kind of shul. I grew

up attending one and was quite immersed up until 7th grade. But since then, I have sought Jewish life elsewhere, outside the walls of a synagogue. So when I jumped back in to synagogue life here at Kol Rinah, I found myself flooded with pleasant memories of my childhood that had been dormant for quite a while. Seeing young families with their children attending services and programs at Kol Rinah reminded me so much of my own.

Why am I telling you all of this? Because this unexpected surprise is why there is a young family position at Kol Rinah and why we value our

families and children and create great programming for them. We are laying the foundation of Judaism in our children, and we want to do it with as much joy and positivity as possible. I would feel blessed to know if any child, 20+ years from now, thinks back on a memory they had at Kol Rinah that makes them feel positively about their Jewish identity. That's what it's all about.

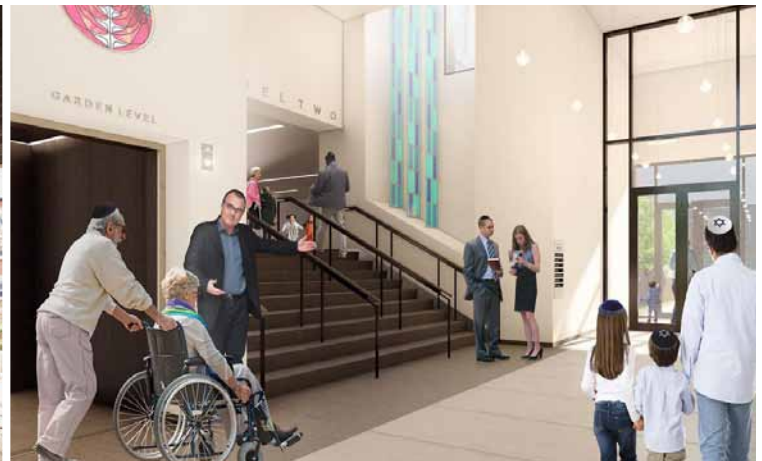
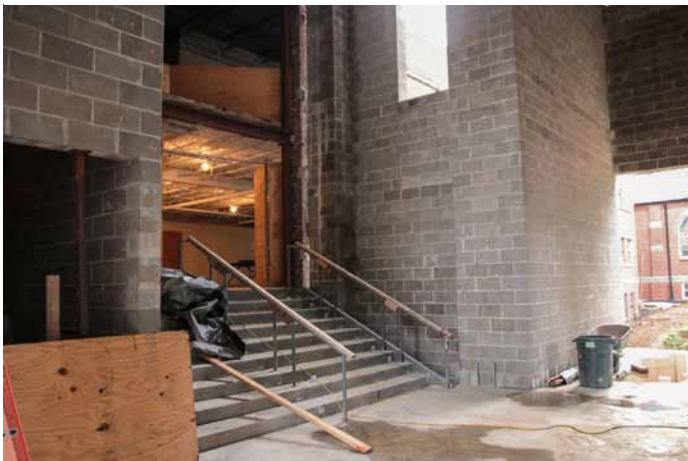
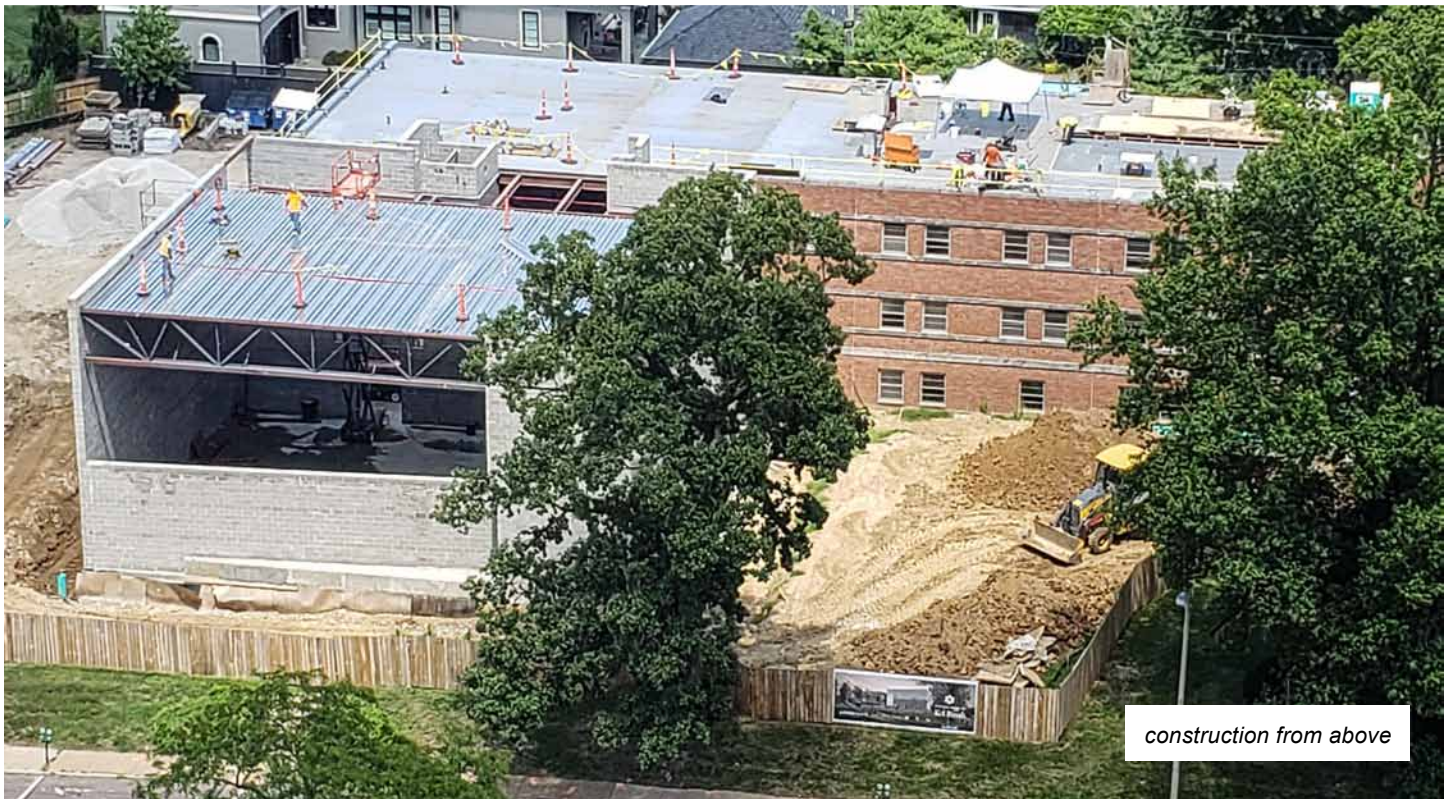
I am sad I won't be a part of that work this year, but I am grateful I have been for the last year. I hope this year is filled with wonderful moments that will later turn into joyous memories. Lehitraot!

KR On The Move!

Construction on Maryland Ave. continues to progress. Our current photos show the walls and roof of the sanctuary taking shape.

More pictures and info can be found on our website KolRinahStL.org.

Photos courtesy of Stacey Hudson



The lobby area between the sanctuary and the flex space upstairs - work in progress and artist rendering.

Membership

Joyce Olshan

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Many activities are buzzing as we approach the New Year 5780 in our new address in Clayton and our committee is a part of this. Our goal is to bring our membership together in as many ways as possible.

Come find your place on the "Communi-TREE" of Kol Rinah!

There are many branches of this 'tree' where you can climb on and make Kol Rinah a special place for you, your family and for all of us. To name just a few of the branches of opportunity – Israel interests, purim packages, softball sluggers, learning lectures, holiday helpers, mitzvah makers, and more! Life goes on here every day of the week – more than on Friday nights/Saturday mornings.

Summer has been anything but slow at KR. Excitement is building as we prepare for our move. This is another great opportunity for each of you to get involved in this historic event.

Follow the events on our KR website and midweek email eBlast .

And in the midst of this, we are welcoming new members – Dana Garner and Jessica Jones, Barry and Alissa Duel and children, Alan Garelick and Abby Schneider and children, William and Stacey Hoffman and children, Mike and Sherri Besmer and children, Sarah Salky, Stan and Jean Margul, Zack Rosenblatt and Allison Shenker. We greet them with a smile and a basket of goodies.

We invite you to join our joyful committee to be a special greeter, help with enhancing programs and make Kol Rinah the special place we know it can be.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the upcoming New Year holiday happenings.

Sincerely,

Joyce Olshan



Dana Garner



Stacey Hoffman

Earn Money for Kol Rinah When You Shop! It's easy... It's free...



1. Go to: smile.amazon.com
2. Select a charity- Type in Kol Rinah
3. Select Kol Rinah (St. Louis)
4. Shop normally
5. Amazon Smile will donate .5% of your purchase to Kol Rinah



1. Go to : [Shnucks.escrip](https://shnucks.escrip)
2. Follow the online instructions
3. Show your card or phone at the register (depending how you set it up)
4. Schnucks will donate up to 3% of your purchase to Kol Rinah

Have you logged in to your Member Account on our new website? Its Easy!

You are already in the system. Your User Name is your email address.

The Log In will walk you through establishing your own unique password.

Using your member account you can pay dues, sign up for programs and more!

Early Childhood Education

Liz Collins, Elyse Picker - ECC Co-Directors

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What an incredible summer camp we had here at KRECC! Camp kick-off started with a family barbecue, snow cones, and fun and entertainment that included Silly Jilly the clown and airbrush tattoos. Children in our oldest classes took field trips to the History Museum, Earth Dance, and Tutti Frutti. In addition, children in some of the classes also had a chance to flip and tumble on the Gymnastics Bus.

Now we are gearing up for 2019-2020 school year. Teachers are spending their days organizing their classrooms, listening to presenters speak about speech and language in early childhood, social, emotional, and mental health in ECC, and completing infant/child/adult CPR certification. First day of school was Monday, August 12.

On August 18, KRECC families joined together for a welcome back to school fun in the park day at Shaw Park.

On behalf of our entire staff at the Early Childhood Center, we want to thank the Kol Rinah Sisterhood for their generous donation that helped us purchase two evacuation cribs and other needed equipment for our infant room. Over the years, their donations have allowed us to purchase items that were needed but not in our budget.

Contribute to a Shabbat Kiddush!

Our Kiddush fund provides the opportunity to have delicious Kiddushes on Shabbat! Any amount donation is welcome. Contact the office 314.727.1747

[Click here for our online Shabbat Kiddush form.](#)

Would you like to help in the kitchen on a Thursday morning?
Contact Betty Siegel: 314.991.0709 brsiegel@swbell.net

Learn Haftarah, Trope or Prayer

Contact Howard Belsky

314.546.0810

or howardbelsky@gmail.com

We're Gettin' Together on the Eastside for an

EAST-SIDE REUNION • SUN., SEPT. 8, 2019 • NOON

If you were ever Jewish in East St. Louis, Southern IL or a Camp Ben Frankel alum, you can reconnect with your old friends and make new ones as we get together at Agudas Achim Beth Israel – 225 N. High St. at C St., Belleville, Illinois

[Bring your memorabilia, photos, friends, and stories to the party]

RSVP by August 15th, 2019 to: KolRinahStL.org or call 314-727-1747

Lunch Cost: \$30 per person (over 80 or under 25 yrs. are free with a paid attendee)

Make Checks Payable to KR MC East Side Reunion. Kohn's Kosher lunch includes: deli meats, rye bread, condiments, pickles, potato salad, slaw, fruit, and soft drinks.
(Dietary laws observed)



September 2019 Calendar

Elul 5779 / Tishrei 5780
Visit kolrinahstl.org for our full interactive calendars

1 Sun	ROSH CHODESH ELUL 8am Morning Minyan / 6pm Mincha/Maariv
2 Mon	Labor Day - KRECC Closed 8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Ma'ariv
3 Tue	7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Maariv 8am Ethics of our Fathers 6:30pm Introduction to Judaism 7pm USY Lounge Night
4 Wed	7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Maariv 8am Capital Campaign Consult mtng 9am ECC social emotional class 7pm Education Mtng 7pm Elul Learning: High Holiday Skills
5 Thu	7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Maariv 8am Limmud and Lattes with Rabbi Shafrin - off site 9am Study Talmud Kiddushin with Rabbi Shulamit Cenko 7pm Personnel Committee Mtng
6 Fri	7am Shacharit 9am ECC Yoga 11am Grandparents Shabbat 6pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Ma'ariv 7:05pm Candle Lighting
7 Sat	<i>Parshat Shoftim</i> SIR Pamela Barmash- Interplay Between Exodus Past & Present 9am Shacharit 10:10am Torah Talk 6pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/Ma'ariv 8:02pm Havdalah
8 Sun	KoREH Opening Day 8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Maariv 9am Communications Mtng 12pm East-Side Reunion - off site

9 Mon	KR ECC Picture Day 7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Maariv
10 Tue	KR ECC Picture Day 7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Maariv 8am Ethics of our Fathers 6:30pm Introduction to Judaism 7pm USY Lounge Night
11 Wed	KR ECC Picture Day 7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Maariv 8am Capital Campaign Consulting mtng 9am ECC social emotional class 10am KR Women's Social Group Mtng 6pm Ritual Committee Mtng 7pm Elul Learning: High Holiday Skills
12 Thu	KR ECC Picture Day 7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Maariv 8am Limmud and Lattes with Rabbi Shafrin - off site 9am Study Talmud Kiddushin with Rabbi Shulamit Cenko 7pm Coordinating Committee Mtng
13 Fri	7am Shacharit 9am ECC Yoga 6pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Ma'ariv 6:54pm Candle Lighting
14 Sat	<i>Parshat Ki Teitzei</i> 9am Shacharit 10:10am Torah Talk 5:50pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/Ma'ariv 7:50pm Havdalah

15 Sun	8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Maariv 9am Communications Mtng 9am Sisterhood Mtng 6pm Reflecting Back... As We Move Forward, A history of our parent congregations
16 Mon	7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Maariv 5pm KRECC Staff mtng/ECC Closing early 6:30pm Town Hall- Ethics of our Fathers
17 Tue	7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Maariv 8am Ethics of our Fathers 6pm Finance Mtng 6:30pm Introduction to Judaism 7pm USY Lounge Night
18 Wed	7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Maariv 8am Capital Campaign Consult mtng 9am ECC social emotional class 7pm Elul Learning: High Holiday Skills
19 Thu	7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Maariv 8am Limmud and Lattes with Rabbi Shafrin - off site 9am Study Talmud Kiddushin with Rabbi Shulamit Cenko 7pm Kol Rinah Board Mtng
20 Fri	7am Shacharit 9am ECC Yoga 6pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Ma'ariv 6:43pm Candle Lighting
21 Sat	<i>Parshat Ki Tavo</i> Grace Cooperstein's bat mitzvah 9am Shacharit 10:10am Torah Talk 5:40pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/Ma'ariv 7:39pm Havdalah 8pm Selichot Program 9pm Selichot

Sign up for a Minyan
[CLICK HERE](#)

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Sun 8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Maariv
9am Communications Mtng

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Mon 7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Maariv

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Tue 7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Maariv
8am Ethics of our Fathers
6:30pm Introduction to Judaism
7pm Men's Club Mtng
7pm USY Lounge Night

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Wed 7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Maariv
8am Capital Campaign Consult mtng
8am RH Family Program
9am ECC social emotional class

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Thu 7am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Maariv
8am Limmud and Lattes with Rabbi Shafrin - off site
9am Study Talmud Kiddushin with Rabbi Shulamit Cenker

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Fri 7am Shacharit
9am ECC Yoga
6pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/
Ma'ariv
6:32pm Candle Lighting

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Sat *Parshat Nitzavim*
9am Shacharit
10:10am Torah Talk
5:30pm Mincha/Seudah Shelishit/
Ma'ariv
7:28pm Havdalah

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Sun **EREV ROSH HASHANAH**
8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Maariv
9am Communications Mtng
6:29pm Candle Lighting

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Mon **ROSH HASHANAH- ECC closed TASHLICH**
8am Shacharit / 6pm Mincha/Maariv
7:25pm Candle Lighting



Elul Learning: High Holiday Skills

Led by Rabbis Arnow & Shafrin on Four Wednesday Evenings, 7 pm at Hanley:

Wed., August 28 **How to Sound the Shofar: For beginners, experts and anyone in between (with Rabbi Shafrin)**

Wed., September 4 **The Priestly Blessing: A how-to for Kohanim, Levites and Israelites (with Rabbis Shafrin and Arnow)**

Wed., September 11 **A Moving High Holidays: Prayer choreography for the Days of Awe (with Rabbi Arnow)**

Wed., September 18 **High Holiday Melodies (with Rabbi Arnow)**

RSVP to the office at nancy@kolrinahstl.org or 314.727.1747



Break the Fast Meal

following Yom Kippur services
Wednesday, October 9

sponsored by the

Faye Keyser Memorial Suedah Fund

\$12 per adult, \$6 per child under age 10

Reservations required by October 4

Mazal Tov Rabbi Shafrin

Recently Rabbi Shafrin was featured in a *St. Louis Magazine* article entitled: **Strangers Seek out This Rabbi for Advice at Kaldi's**

Rabbi Scott Shafrin carries his plain cup of drip coffee, no syrups or soy, to a table that's visible but out of the way. There he props a sign that reads, "Keep calm and ask the rabbi."

<https://www.stlmag.com/culture/the-rabbi-is-in/>

