



Tzitzit Tying



Purim at MLN ECC



Upcoming Events

- Sun 1, Mon 2 **ROSH CHODESH IYAR**
- Mon 2 SciFi/Fantasy Book Club
- Wed 4 **YOM HAZIKARON**
- Thu 5 **YOM HA'ATZMAUT**
- Food Perspectives
- Fri 6 First Fridays for Families
- Sun 8 Mother's Day
- Sat 14 New Member Shabbat
- Sun 15 **Pesach Sheni**
- Mitzvah Day
- Jews in Science 15
- Wed 18 Lag B'Omer at Shaw Park
- Thu 19 **LAG B'OMER**
- Sat 21 Enchanting Shabbat
- Sun 22 Learner's Service
- Stitch & Schmooze
- Intruder Safety Training
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- Sun 29 **YOM YERUSHALAYIM**
- Mon 30 Memorial Day
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- All Mondays Café Ivrit
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Kol Rinah Leadership

Kol Rinah Board

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Serving Through 2023

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Ralph Graff, Steve Keyser

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Nancy Greene	<i>Executive Assistant</i>
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Melissa Bellows	<i>Youth & Family Coordinator</i>
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Rhiannon Kaye	<i>ECC</i>
Gary Kodner	<i>Engagement</i>
Dave Cooperstein	<i>Facilities</i>
Gary Kodner	<i>Finance</i>
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Rabbi Scott Shafrin	<i>KoREH</i>
Denise Field	<i>Personnel</i>
Benj Singer	<i>Social Action / Tzedek Team</i>
Skylar Swim	<i>Community Learning</i>
Beth Rubin	<i>USY</i>
Ralph Graff, Richard Gavatim	<i>Verein Discussion Group</i>

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. **Kol Rinah welcomes everyone.** We are a dynamic and forward-looking congregation where all generations come together to experience Judaism in innovative ways. We are a diverse congregation, proud to be made up of Jews and the Jew-curious, singles, couples, families of all shapes and sizes, multi-faith/multicultural households, people who identify as LGBTQ+, people of color, of all abilities and more.

Condolences to the Families Of

Dr. Jerry Cohen
Linda "Cookie" Dwork
Alan Norman Jacobs
Myron Kodner
Israel Praiss
Robbie Daniel Spetner
May their memories be a blessing.

Learn Haftarah, Trope or Prayer



Contact Howard Belsky 314.546.0810 or howardbelsky@gmail.com

Kol Rinah Security/Intruder Training

Attend 1 of 2 sessions. Goals: Define an intruder, discuss the difference between an intruder and an active shooter, examine trends, learn response options, and early warning indicators. The information can be applied to the synagogue, work, school and home. RSVP required. KR Covid protocols observed. For more information : stacey@kolrinahstl.org.

**Sunday,
May 22, 3 pm
or
Tuesday,
May 24, 7:30 pm**

A Message from Our Rabbi

Rabbi Noah Arnow - Senior Rabbi

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The Rabbis Are Coming!

Back in March 2018, I had lunch at Gokul (the kosher vegetarian Indian restaurant in the Loop) with two friends who work for the Rabbinical Assembly (RA), the organization of Conservative rabbis. They were in St. Louis scouting out potential locations for the RA's November 2020 convention.

I became a chair of that convention and was working throughout 2019 and early 2020 to plan it. We were thinking about issues of racial justice, of gender equity, of climate change, of intermarriage.

Then Covid happened, and that convention was cancelled, and eventually rescheduled for November 6-9, 2022.

I'm chairing the convention, working together with a staffed-up Rabbinical Assembly team. I'm much more in the volunteer role, with some wonderful colleagues who work full time for the RA doing much of the work.

This will be the first time Conservative rabbis will be gathering in a large group since before the pandemic, and we've learned so much over the past two years.

Like many organizations (including Kol Rinah), the RA quickly shifted to operating virtually. The virtual convention they held in March 2020 had over five hundred attendees, more than three hundred more than had attended a convention in the last ten years. It was cheap (\$36), and easy

to drop in and out of for an hour. And it was short—just a couple of days.

But we felt the need to meet in person again, because there's a quality of relationship and experience that cannot and does not happen on Zoom. But we also realized that there's much that we can do on Zoom, a medium that's more inclusive and accessible than gathering colleagues from around the US, as well as South America, Europe, and Israel. So, at this convention, we're not going to conduct the formal business (elections, resolutions, budgets) of the organization. We're also not having big movement conversations, because it's going to be a limited group of rabbis who will be able to travel and be here, and for important conversations we want to be much more inclusive.

For rabbis to invest the time, money, and carbon to travel to St. Louis, we need to make it an experience they could not have on Zoom. So, we're focusing on experiences that can only take place in person, where a virtual or hybrid experience wouldn't work. This means more play, more physical movement, singing, and conversation, and fewer big speeches and plenaries and passive experiences.

And there is a hunger for people to come together, to just be, to hang out, to eat, to sing, to reconnect.

I'm looking forward to welcoming colleagues and friends to St. Louis, and I'm so proud to be helping to lead this gathering.

Most of the programs will be for rabbis, but in the days preceding, during and following the convention, there may be some opportunities for our Kol Rinah community to connect with the convention in different ways.

The hunger to reconnect is not unique to rabbis, though. I'm finding it with our congregation too. May we find ways to gather and reconnect over the coming months, to build and rebuild the relationships that sustain our community!

Engagement/ Programming Coordinator Position

This is a part-time position. The Coordinator will serve as a highly visible, warm, and friendly liaison to all segments of our community, with special attention to our young families, as well as work with the Director of KoREH, the congregational religious school, in an assistant administrative position.

[See full position description here.](#)

To apply, please send a cover letter and resume to stacey@kolrinahstl.org

Youth Group Advisor Position

This is a part-time position. The Youth Group Advisor oversees all Kol Rinah Youth Groups, working with teen and pre-teen leaders to create community through programming and outreach within the synagogue. There are also out of town regional events.

[See full position description here.](#)

To apply, please send a cover letter and resume to stacey@kolrinahstl.org

Mazel Tov!

May Birthdays

Joel Frankel, Amy Zaidman, Esti Goldman, Lauren Wolf, Noah Arnow, Rhona Lyons, Berta Hyken, Sonia Barrett, Rayne Buhler, Judy Allen, Gail Brody, Sara Kavanaugh, Abigail Simmons, Idan Lerner, Abby Schneider, Gloria Feldman, Beth Leeds, Katherine Tynan, Franklin Haspiel, Laila Bach, Rachel Kodner, Zachary Gannam, Loren Bach, Sara Sorenson, Rosalie Stein, Bryan Sanger, Rhonda Bilger, Lori Siegel, Alan Snyder, Tobi Don, Jonah May-Rauchman, Samuel Bernstein, Davanna Renee, Russell Gottlieb, Bonnie Shafrin, Donald Levy, Denise Bobick, Naomi Zaidman, William Hogan, Jael Rogers, Elisa Israel, Joshua Stein, Leah Berger, Leonid Grossman, Nicky Rainey, Cindy Ginsburg, Joseph Kavanaugh, Nancy Rosman, Penelope Sorenson, Edward Schukar, Marc Levin, Gretchen Schisla, Frances Wilner, Michael Bernstein, Stephanie Levy, Aaron Praiss, Nicole Rainey, Hannah Rainey, Delia Rainey, Joseph Yenlin Paley, Deborah Rubin, Patricia Cohen, Phillip Gould, Zeke Swim, Rena Munster, Michael Stein, Emily Ginsburg, Julie Davis, Josh Horwitz, Jonah Levy, Saloane Sapot, Jason Hoberman

Thank You

Dear Friends, thank you all for the 80th birthday wishes.

Sincerely,

Barbara Becker

Dear Friends at Kol Rinah,

I want to thank each and every one who made a donation in my name for my 70th Birthday. It was a wonderful gesture. I am honored that your donations to Kol Rinah will help with the various missions of the synagogue.

Sincerely,

Harlie Frankel

May Anniversaries

Kim Anderson & Marcia Sokol-Anderson
Andrew & Nancy Rosman
Guy Friedman & Laura Horwitz
Michael & Abby Goldstein
Brad & Mindy Horwitz
Harold & Diane Sanger
Russell & Rachel Gottlieb
Corey Feit & Jenna Lew-Feit
Mike & Sherri Besmer
Philip & Leslie Johnson
Alex Befeler & Serra-Lesa Ivener
Gail Brody & Richard Kodner
Hal & Marcia Goldsmith
Joshua & Cindy Kalachek
Alan Garelick & Abby Schneider
Steven & Andrea Rosenblum

June Birthdays

Jerry Raskin, Helene Meyer, Daniel Buch, Ari Horwitz, Nathan Goldstein, Jacob Goldstein, Hannah Friedman, Hanan Nathan-Slarskey, Cheryl Wasserberg, Nicola Hudson, Tasha Kaminsky, Julie Ettinger, Christopher Mollett, Courtney Rader, Sophia Gottlieb, Matt Reznick, Ruth Asher-Koshner, Isaac Besmer, Laura Rosenblatt, Jonathan Dien, Bruce Dien, Leora Spitzer, Phyllis Katz, William Mathis, Randi Mozentner, Florence Cohn, Jon Santer, Amitai Shafrin, Jacob Shanas, Golda Burke, Allen Levin, Rachel Bezalel-Buch, Nancy Berg, Jeffrey Jacob, Laura Horwitz, Matthew Wohl, Murray Kalina, Sherri Sadon, Elana Gottlieb, Lauren Bernstein, Nick Riggio, Mindy Horwitz, Enid Perll, Rosetta Weintraub, Hazel Sohn, Shira LeDeaux, Ari Brenner, Stan Braude, Harriet Shanas, Monroe Ginsburg, Yitzchak Santer, Cecilia Asher, Ava Duel, Deborah Finkelstein, William Kaufman, Kenneth Weintraub, Kitty Gross, Lily Friedman, Stacey Hudson, Robert Stein, Phil Levens, Jacob Kalachek, Marc Spector, Kenneth Stein, Alan Garelick, Susan Lew, Samantha Mollett, Judel Lew, Fred Makler, Rebecca Gannam

June Anniversaries

Michael Cannon & Denise Field
Lauren Buchsbaum & Nick Riggio
Mark & Karen Engel
Gary & Fran Kaar
Ben & Joan Barzilai
Josh & Laura Chaise
Stuart Hoffman & Rita Rothschild
Steven Brody & Brenda Grossman
Richard & Jody Feldman
Michael & Alisa Reichman
Michael & Karen Wetmore
Stephen & Julie Davis
William & Stacey Hoffman
Eric Flug & Gretchen Schisla
Alan Snyder & Sharon Rosenberg
Repps & Stacey Hudson
Alfred & Sheila Rosenfeld
Leonid Shmuylovich & Ilana Rosman
Zachary & Julie Leeds
Howard & Jacqueline Berliner
Jeremy Buhler & Wendy Love Anderson
Martin & Margaret Israel
William & Helene Mathis
Naomi Hoffman & Loren Bach
William & Meris Hamilton
Rick & Becky Lerner
Jerry & Joyce Raskin
Arlene & Tim O'Connell
Sanford & Elaine Melnick
John & Barbara Perlmutter
Sanford & Cynthia Boxerman
Marc & Penny Alper
Burton & Benita Boxerman
Judel & Susan Lew

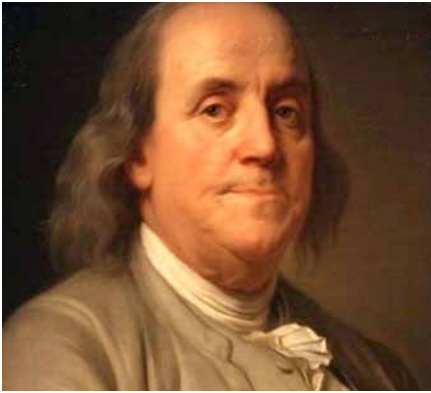
** Listed chronologically in the month*

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

President's Message

Gary Kodner - Kol Rinah President

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"When I am employed in serving others, I do not look upon myself as conferring favors, but as paying debts. I have received much kindness from men to whom I shall never have an opportunity of making the least direct

returns; and numberless mercies from God, who is infinitely above being benefited by our services. Those kindnesses from men I can, therefore, only return on their fellow-men, and I can only show my gratitude for those mercies from God by a readiness to help His other children."

"The best thing to give to your enemy is forgiveness; to an opponent, tolerance; to a friend, your heart; to your child, a good example; to a father, deference; to your mother, conduct that will make her proud of you; to yourself, respect; to all others, charity."

"Without continual growth and progress, such words as improvement, achievement, and success have no meaning."

"Who is wise? He that learns from everyone. Who is powerful? He that governs his passions. Who is rich? He that is content. Who is that? Nobody."

"Remember not only to say the right thing in the right place, but far more difficult still, to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment."

"Hide not your talents, they for use were made. What's a sun-dial in the shade?"

— Benjamin Franklin

Tzedek Team

Benjamin Singer - Chair

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Mitzvah Day is Sunday May 15!

Kol Rinah's Mitzvah Day is only days away! Join Kol Rinah to make a difference in the lives of people in St. Louis and beyond.

Register by May 11 at <https://www.kolrinahstl.org/event/mitzvah-day.html>

There will be activities for all ages to perform tikkun olam and repair our world. Organizations like the Harvey Kornblum Jewish Food Pantry, the

Humane Society of Missouri, Operation Food Search, Ready Readers, Beyond Housing, and Crown Center for Senior Living among others will benefit from our activities. A special thank you goes to all of those who worked hard to make this day a memorable and meaningful event and Stacey Hudson and Melissa Bellows for their time and energy in making this day a success. Thanks to the ECC, KoREH and Sisterhood who have been wonderful co-sponsors of this event. We are grateful to Denise

Field for her leadership and guidance in making Mitzvah Day a success.

Let's start Mitzvah Day off on a great note! Bring some cans of food for the Harvey Kornblum Jewish Food Pantry ([find a list of needed items here](#)) or a couple of [new or gently used children's books](#) to donate to Ready Readers.

Kol Rinah Mitzvah Day is Back!

We each have an obligation to "repair the world". Sign up to be part of the solution. We will educate ourselves about some of the pressing needs in our St. Louis community and beyond. There will be activities for all ages that morning and strategies for action you can take throughout the year. **RSVP at [KolRinahStl.org](https://www.kolrinahstl.org) or by calling the office at 314.727.1747**

**Sunday
May 15
10:30 - 12:30
LIVE AT KOL RINAH**

Come Watch The First Kol Rinah Softball Game

Sunday, May 1, at 4pm

(the Creve Coeur JCC softball fields,
2 Millstone Campus Dr, 63146)

[Visit our webpage](#) for the full
game schedule.

Kol Rinah Families and Youth

Melissa Bellows - Youth & Family Coordinator

Melissa@kolrinahstl.org

We had a very successful Tot Shabbat Purim party that filled the Community Hall. Children came in costume, sang, and heard the story of Purim through a very cool puppet show from Karen Kern. It was also nice to have our Shin Shin, Roi there. What a joy!

Tot Shabbat continued April 9th with some fun activities in anticipation of Passover. On April 17th, K-5th graders walked the "Path to Freedom", exploring the traits one needs to reach freedom including inner strength, courage, and trust. It was very nice and a great chance for kids to play .

Families have more opportunities to get together for Mitzvah Day on May 15th, and Lag B'omer on May 18th. We will also be beginning First Fridays for Families for Kabbalat Shabbat on May 6th.

MLN Early Childhood Center

Liz Collins - Monica Lynne Neidorff ECC Director

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MLNECC has been filled with such fun and excitement the last couple of months. In March, classes celebrated Dr. Seuss's birthday with a week filled with silly dress up days and a classroom door decorating contest.

Classes also got to listen to many books written by Dr. Seuss and on his birthday, March 2nd, classes could be overheard singing "Happy Birthday."

On Purim, children and teachers dressed up in costumes and paraded behind Ms. Karen, our Music teacher, through the hallway. After the parade, Ms. Karen did a Purim puppet show for all the classes. To end the Purim festivities, our older classes were treated to hamantashen.

This month we will celebrate our Starfish class. Taught by Ms. Dejah and Ms. Teresa, our Starfish graduates will be heading off to Kindergarten in the Fall. We know that all the kids are ready for their next learning adventure and can't wait to catch up with them again in the future.

Michael Neidorff (ז"ל) will be deeply missed. He was an immensely generous man whose philanthropic endeavors allowed the Monica Lynne Neidorff Early Childhood Center to begin to blossom in our new location. His legacy will continue to be celebrated by all of us at the MLNECC as we learn, play, explore, and grow. His memory will be one of our greatest blessings.

USY & Kadima

Hani-FishBieler - USY Director

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This month, USY has enjoyed a range of fun lounge nights! We had a blast celebrating purim together, and the USYers have led us through game nights, photo scavenger hunts, and more. Our USY president, Karen Huss, also led us in a meaningful discussion about the war in Ukraine, and Jewish responses to the war. We look forward to another wonderful month together!

Earn Money for Kol Rinah When You Shop!

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3. Select Kol Rinah (St. Louis)
4. Shop normally
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Spreading Learning Far and Wide

Learning has always been fundamental to Jewish life and cultural expression. So much so that Jewish learning has been described as both “a tree of life” (Proverbs 3:18) and “like a warming fire” (Jeremiah 23:29), as something that nourishes and sustains us, and at the same time ignites our passions and fuels us forward.

In our own learning at our Kol Rinah Education Hub (KoREH), we have seen our learning grow our community by leaps and bounds. With the help of our amazing staff and phenomenal parents, we are poised to have the largest student body in the last ten years. While the last two years of adapting to the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic have limited some of the ways we were used to building our learning community, it has also forced us to re-examine what creates the most impactful learning experiences for our families.

We are thrilled to be bringing back some of our students' favorite experiences, like our *chugim* electives and weekly *Havdallah* to start our mornings, as well as adding new musical, artistic, and spiritual experiences for every age group and for the school as a whole. Our parent learning cohort has returned and I have been absolutely blessed to be able to learn every week with such caring, thoughtful, and inquisitive adults. We are looking forward to utilizing all of our new building, both our indoor and outdoor

spaces, and traveling off-campus, when possible, to experience learning in other settings around St. Louis.

All these things get me so excited about starting our learning journey again next fall. If your family, or other families you know, are looking for a welcoming and open place to learn, please have them be in touch with me (rabbishafrin@kolrinahstl.org, or 314.727.1747). We are putting together our classes now, and the sooner we know how many students we will have in each grade, the easier it will be to add more incredible teachers to our wonderful staff team. We hope to get to learn with each of you in the year ahead!

Need publicity for a Kol Rinah class, program, fundraiser or other or non-event?

Find all our forms in the sidebar of our website.

Shabbat Kiddush is Back!

From sponsoring an entire Kiddush, to contributing towards just one dish, we have many opportunities for you to help create a delicious Shabbat Kiddush experience. **Any amount donation is welcome.** Call the office, 314.727.1747.

Welcome to Kol Rinah!

We will be celebrating these New Members at May 14th at New Member Shabbat.

(Children listed after parents where provided)

In 2020

Susan Schienberg
Philip & Leslie Johnson, Charles, Henry
Brian & Barb Herstig
Richard & Hazel Sohn
Richard Frankel & Kari Kramer
Lauren Landay
Katherine Tynan
Rachel & Bryan Sanger
Linda Goldstein

In 2021

Debbie Wohl
Joseph & Sarah Kavanaugh, Max, Nate
Rebecca & Zachary Gannam
Daniel Buch & Rachel Bezalel-Buch, Noam, Eitan
Lauren Bernstein & Fred Brown, Emmy, Teddy
Susan Neidorff Reinglass
Josh Wohfeld
Jacob Seigel
Avi Dobrusin
Stephen & Julie Davis, Arielle, Eden
John & Barbie Perlmutter
Adam & Lori Brok, Yael, Lena
Matthew & Heather Wohl, Sadie, Owen
Rita Oppenheim Pozniakoff
Juliet Chayat
Carol Portman
Tony Westbrook
Noah Priluck & Dena Rennard
Laura & William Hogan, William
Rena & Roberto Munster, Ari
Robert & Susan Goldstein

In 2022

Rhonda & Al Bilger
Lynn Wallis
Steven & Beth Leeds
Georgia Zev & Delaney Holden
Bruce Schneider

Verein Discussion Group

Richard Gavatin and Ralph Graff, Co-Chairs

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Three incredible new installments in the Jews in Science Series

On May 15th, you will discover the FUN in Jewish Genealogy, with two of our favorite guys, Monroe Ginsburg and Gary Kodner. They will present the fundamental techniques and proven strategies for discovering your roots. Best practices will be revealed! Do Not miss!

On June 19th, get to know local medical superstar, the former Chair of the Internal Medicine at Washington University Medical School (WUMS), Gus Schonfeld. As we have presented individuals with remarkable stories, our knowledge of their attitude toward Judaism has frequently been limited.



In Gus's case, we are benefitted by his own autobiography in which he expresses his feelings about his time spent in a series of concentration camps, starting with Auschwitz. He, his physician father and his mother survived, although half of his extended family was lost.

Our own Ralph Graff, himself a graduate of WUMS and instrumental in the creation and maintenance of this Kol Rinah series, will give us his insights into Gus.

At a special time on July 17, 1pm local time, a special 'long-distance' presentation by PhD Candidate/Research Fellow from the Universities of Potsdam, near Berlin and Paris-Sorbonne, Christina Feist will focus on the origin of the Judaism we experience today

The Jewish Enlightenment was the foundation of what we now today call the Masorti, (or in the US) the Conservative Movement of Judaism. Christina's dissertation dives into the roots of the Jewish Enlightenment,



introducing us to the key "players" of this crucial group of thinkers, and will explain why this matters in today's world. Do not miss this unique opportunity to learn firsthand from a world class scientist – live from Paris, France!

As usual, registration is required at the Kol Rinah Website, and should you miss the session, you can always catch up, as they are all recorded and available at the Kol Rinah website, <https://www.kolrinahstl.org/videos>

Ralph & Richard

photos shown are Gus Schonfeld and Christina Feist

Verein Presents a Series: Jews in Science #15

Discover the FUN and fundamental Techniques of Jewish Genealogy

Experienced genealogists, Monroe Ginsburg and Gary Kodner will present the basics and proven strategies for discovering your Jewish Genealogy. We will demonstrate best practices on research and documenting your relatives, stories and images. RSVP at kolrinahstl.org

For more information contact: gkodner@gmail.com

Sunday

May 15

4:00 pm

Sisterhood

Susan Brown, Linda Carton - Sisterhood Co-Presidents

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Purim has come and gone, Passover has passed over and now it's time for spring and for Shavout which translates to "weeks" in Hebrew and counts the number of weeks it took for the Jews wandering in the desert to reach Mt. Sinai. During Shavout many Jews bring the outdoors into their homes and synagogue by decorating with greenery and flowers. Also, many Jews stay up all night to study and symbolically prepare to receive the wisdom of the Torah.

One of the activities Sisterhood has been involved with was providing challahs for the goody bags given to new members of the synagogue. Many

sisterhood members also helped pack and deliver the goody bags to our new members.

Another activity Sisterhood will participate in will be co-sponsor for **Mitzvah Day on May 15** and will be supplying the goodies attendees will take as they leave the festivities. Many of our members will be working in the different mitzvah opportunity areas that day.

Torah Fund campaign started in April and will continue until May 28.

The theme of the campaign is B'Yachad which means together. Donations of any amount are appreciated and at

the \$180 level you get a special Torah Fund pin as a gift. Torah Fund benefits Conservative Seminaries around the world. This year the campaign is honoring the Verein group led by Richard Gavatin and Ralph Graff.

Also on our calendar is **Sisterhood Shabbat on Saturday, June 25**. Sisterhood members will participate in all aspects of the service. The Verein Group will receive a special blessing. There will be a lunch Kiddush following the service.

We hope you'll join us for the many activities and events we have coming up.

Are you a regular Shabbat Morning Service attendee?

Please take our [Shabbat Service Survey](#).

First Fridays for Families-Kabbalat Shabbat

First Fridays for Families is back! (April - August)
A Kabbalat Shabbat service for every generation. A shorter version of the Friday service, with families and kids in mind.
We will meet outdoors, weather permitting.
For questions or more information contact melissa@kolrinahstl.org

**First Fridays,
Thru Aug
6:00 pm
AT KOL RINAH**

Kol Rinah New Members Shabbat

Kol Rinah invites everyone to welcome our New Members, who will be our honored guests, for New Members Shabbat on Saturday, May 14, 2022 at 9:30 A.M. During this special service the New Members will receive a blessing to welcome them to the synagogue. A Kiddush will follow services.
RSVP at KolRinahStl.org or by calling the office at 314.727.1747

**Saturday,
May 14
9:30 am**

An Enchanting Shabbat: Lay-led Torah Reading#5

Our next ongoing Enchanting Shabbat program, where our lay readers cover most or all of the Torah reading. It is done as part of the weekly Shabbat morning service. The Parsha for that week is Behar. We are recruiting Torah readers. For information: buhlerjd@gmail.com
Sign-up today at: 314.727.1747 or office@kolrinahstl.org

**Saturday,
May 21
9:30 am**

Jewish Food Pantry May List

You can help the Harvey Kornblum Jewish Food Pantry during the Coronavirus Pandemic by donating money or food. Currently, the need is great so please help in any way you can. For more info, contact Louise Levine 314.368.5902. **Thank you.**

1. Canned Tuna Fish and Canned Chicken
2. Kosher Non-Perishable Foods
3. Peanut Butter & Jelly
4. Spaghetti, Tomato Sauce & Other Pastas
5. Macaroni & Cheese
6. Any Kind of Canned Vegetables (corn, peas, carrots & beans)
7. Healthy Snacks
8. Personal care items: Body Wash, Hand Lotion & Feminine Protection



March Stitch and Shmooze
Photo by Melissa Bellows

A lot is happening at Kol Rinah.
Click on each of these ongoing items to learn more.

Cafe Ivrit with Roi Mast, Shin Shin
Practice Hebrew and discuss Israel.
Click to RSVP, please check our Covid protocols

Mondays
6:30pm
At Kol Rinah

Learner's Service
Zoom and Live hybrid
Contact Wendy Love Anderson: wendyllove@gmail.com

4th Sunday
of the Month
8:00 am
at KOL RINAH

**Jewish Science Fiction/
Fantasy Book Club**
Contact Leora Spitzer, leora.spitzer@gmail.com

1st Monday
of the Month
7:30pm

**Sisterhood Torah Fund
2022 Campaign**
Contact Linda Makler, Torah Fund Chair: golchamp@aol.com

Ongoing
Through
May 28th

New Zoom Movie Club
Click for schedule or contact the office: 314.727.1747

Scheduled
Tuesdays
7pm
on Zoom

**Kol Rinah/B'nai Amoona
Zoom Book Club**
Contact Carol Glick, greatabcr@aol.com

4th
Thursday
of the Month
10am

Stitch and Shmooze
Click to RSVP, please check Covid Protocols

4th Sunday
of the month
9:30-11am
at KOL RINAH

Have you ever wondered what some of the funds on our website [donation page](#) are about?

Give Tributes and Support Our Special Funds

<p>Karen Solomon Music Fund</p> <p>Kabbalat Shabbat is back! This fund provides the money we need to have musicians at our Kabbalat Shabbat services.</p> 	<p>General Donations</p> <p>Supports all of the work we do: rabbis and staff, education, services, building maintenance, lawn care, and so much more.</p> 	<p>Young Family Programs</p> <p>Programs such as Tot Shabbat, Passover Scavenger Hunt, and Hanukkah Crafts are all supported by this fund.</p> 
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Brotherhood

Bob Olshan - Brotherhood President

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ALL THINGS MUST PASS

I am writing on behalf of Bob Olshan due to the passing of his father-in-law Jerry Cohen on April 10. Jerry was a past Man-of-the-Year and I consider him one of my best friends. He was one of the first to welcome me to Kol Rinah. He will be greatly missed.

The Midwest Region FJMC retreat is May 13-15 in Bloomington, Ill. The retreat is open to all Brotherhood members and member "wannabes." If you are on the fence about Brotherhood membership, consider attending the retreat and learn first-hand what we are all about. Want to go? Contact me for details at darthzaydah@gmail.com.

We want to thank all who donated to the Yom HaShoah Yellow Candle program. (It's not too late to donate.) Don't forget to light your candle at sundown April 27.

This May 18th is our annual Lag B'Omer celebration in Shaw Park. The committee is hard at work to make it bigger than ever.

L'DOR V' DOR

I'd like to share part of my speech delivered at Brotherhood Shabbat.

Our Brotherhood produces some wonderful events, but our worker bees are getting up there in age. The Brotherhood is well represented by men in their 70s.

It's not your father's Brotherhood anymore – it's your GRANDFATHER'S Brotherhood. And we just are not attuned to what younger men want or expect.

We need some new people, to change that dynamic, but we are struggling to recruit younger members and officers, especially a president. Kol Rinah has a lot of men of all ages; in fact, Kol Rinah has 86 men under the age of sixty.

With a good deal of head scratching and some wise thinking from Rabbi Arnow, we have come to realize that in addition to being out of tune with younger men's needs, we have gotten off track with our mission's EMPHASIS to involve MEN in Jewish life. So now, Brotherhood is embarking on a rejuvenation!

In the tradition of men's clubs, one generation would follow in the footsteps of the passing generation. In the spirit of l'dor v' dor, the clubs would pass the leadership on to the next generation to manage the club and activities as that new generation saw fit. The time has come to pass the leadership of Kol Rinah's Brotherhood to the next generation.

To help with this passing we are introducing Decade Captains to help shepherd the men in their respective decade. We are planning focus groups comprised of the next generations with a goal to create innovative programs that appeal to younger men. This transfer requires volunteers. So, gentlemen, please be prepared to say, "Yes," when we call you.

B'Shalom,

Max Brown
Honorary President

Kol Rinah Tzedek Team is sponsoring a Blood Drive

Show our community commitment to pikuach nefesh. Tzedek Team has partnered with ImpactLife for a blood drive at Kol Rinah. Schedule your appointment to donate a unit of blood and save up to 3 lives. Giving blood takes about an hour. Kosher snacks will be provided. Donors must be healthy, weigh at least 110lbs, and be 17 or older. Masks are required. Sign-up today at: 314.727.1747 or office@kolrinahstl.org

**Sunday,
Jun. 12**
at Kol Rinah
Noon – 3 pm

Celebrate Lag B'Omer - Bonfire at Shaw Park

Let's Get Together! Bring your own dinner and enjoy a complimentary ice cream treat. We will have a bonfire, music, games, and a chance for us to celebrate and play together. Please RSVP.

For more information contact: Melissa@kolrinahstl.org

**Wednesday,
May 18**
5:00 pm

1 Sunday - 15th Day Omer

ROSH CHODESH IYAR

9am KoREH Open

2 Monday - 16th Day Omer

ROSH CHODESH IYAR

6:30pm Café Ivrit w/ Roi Mast, Shin Shin

7:30pm KR Sci Fi/Fantasy Book Club

3 Tuesday - 17th Day Omer

7pm Finance Committee Mtng

4 Wednesday - 18th Day Omer

YOM HAZIKARON

7pm Kol Rinah Engagement Committee

5 Thursday - 19th Day Omer

YOM HA'ATZMAUT

10:30am Food Perspectives: How Do

Jews Eat? - Bill Solomon Gallery &

Sanctuary/Chapel

7pm Personnel Mtng

6 Friday - 20th Day Omer

11:30am ECC Shabbat

12pm Torah Talk

6pm Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Ma'ariv-

First Fridays for Families

7:40pm Candle Lighting

7 Saturday - 21st Day Omer

Parshat Kedoshim

7:30pm Mincha/Maariv

8:44pm Havdalah

8 Sunday - 22nd Day Omer

Mother's Day

9am Communication Mtng

9am KoREH Open

9 Monday - 23rd Day Omer

6:30pm Café Ivrit w/ Roi Mast, Shin Shin

7:30pm Capital Campaign Mtng

10 Tuesday - 24th Day Omer

10:30am Fitness & Flexibility

7pm Zoom Movie Night

11 Wednesday - 25th Day Omer

7pm Ritual Committee Mtng

12 Thursday - 26th Day Omer

7pm Coordinating Committee Mtng

13 Friday - 27th Day Omer

11:30am ECC Shabbat

12pm Torah Talk

7:46pm Candle Lighting

14 Saturday - 28th Day Omer

Parshat Emor

9:30am New Member Shabbat

10am Tot Shabbat

7:40pm Mincha/Maariv

8:50pm Havdalah

15 Sunday - 29th Day Omer

Pesach Sheni

9am Communication Mtng

9am KoREH Siyyum

10:30am Mitzvah Day

4pm Jews in Science 15

16 Monday - 30th Day Omer

6:30pm Café Ivrit w/ Roi Mast, Shin Shin

17 Tuesday - 31st Day Omer

10:30am Fitness & Flexibility

18 Wednesday - 32nd Day Omer

5pm Lag B'omer Bonfire Celebration -

Shaw Park

19 Thursday - 33rd Day Omer

LAG B'OMER

7pm Kol Rinah Board Mtng

20 Friday - 34th Day Omer

11:30am ECC Shabbat

12pm Torah Talk

7:53pm Candle Lighting

21 Saturday - 35th Day Omer

Parshat Behar

9:30am Enchanting Shabbat

7:45pm Mincha/Maariv

8:56pm Havdalah

22 Sunday - 36th Day Omer

8am Learner's Service

9am Communication Mtng

9:30am Stitch & Schmooze - Community Hall

3pm Intruder Safety Training - Community Hall

23 Monday - 37th Day Omer

6:30pm Café Ivrit w/ Roi Mast, Shin Shin

7:30pm Capital Campaign Mtng

24 Tuesday - 38th Day Omer

10:30am Fitness & Flexibility

7:30pm Intruder Safety Training -

Community Hall

25 Wednesday - 39th Day Omer

7:30pm Community Learning Committee Mtng

26 Thursday - 40th Day Omer

10am KR/BA Book Club

8:30pm Tzedek Team Mtng

27 Friday - 41st Day Omer

11:30am ECC Shabbat

12pm Torah Talk

7:58pm Candle Lighting

28 Saturday - 42nd Day Omer

Parshat Bechukotai

Shabbat Mevarchim

7:50pm Mincha/Maariv

9:02pm Havdalah

29 Sunday - 43rd Day Omer

YOM YERUSHALAYIM

9am Communication Mtng

30 Monday - 44th Day Omer

Memorial Day -ECC and KR Office

Closed

31 Tuesday - 45th Day Omer

ROSH CHODESH SIVAN

10:30am Fitness & Flexibility

7pm Zoom Movie Night

Services

(Unless Otherwise Listed)

Weekday 7am and 6pm • Zoom

Sunday 8am and 6pm • Zoom

We say kaddish with a Zoom Minyan.

Kabbalat Shabbat+

6pm • in-person & streaming

Shabbat Mornings

9:30am • in-person & streaming

Shabbat Evenings

As listed • in-person & streaming

[Register to attend in-person](#)

tinyurl.com/KR-Streaming

Help us make a minyan!

[Sisterhood Torah Fund Campaign Runs Through May 28, 2022](#)