



Monica Lynne Neidorff Early Childhood Expansion Groundbreaking

photos by Stacey Hudson [see our photo gallery](#)



Kol Rinah Annual Meeting and Election

Attend our annual meeting to hear reports on the state of Kol Rinah and an election of new board directors.



We will provide alternative voting provisions for those unable to attend this meeting. Information and slate of candidates will be mailed.

Dec 17
4:00 pm
Live & Zoom

Upcoming Events

Sat 4	Kol Chadash
Sun 5	KoREH Special
Sat 11	Veterans Day Shabbat Kol HaMishpacha Shabbat Family Service
Sun 12	Hanukkah Craft Fair
Tue 14	ROSH CHODESH KISLEV
Fri 17	Kabbalat Shabbat & dinner w/ Staam
Sat 18	New Member Shabbat Tot Shabbat
Sun 19	Brotherhood Holocaust Tour
Thu 23	Thanksgiving

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Kol Rinah Leadership

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Mike Besmer, Pat Cohen, Mike Gartenberg,
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Serving Through 2024

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 Cindy Kalachek *KoREH*
 Denise Field *Personnel*
 Howard Granok *Ritual*
 Becky Mollett *Social Action / Tzedek Team*
 Ralph Graff, Richard Gavatin *Verein Discussion Group*

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.



Check us out on
 Facebook or Instagram



Ongoing Programs

4th Thursday, 10am on Zoom -

[KR/BA Book Club](#)

Most Shabbat mornings, 10:15am -
 Torah Talk

Select Shabbat mornings 10:45am in-person
 - [Tot Shabbat](#)

Select Shabbat mornings, 10:45am in-person
 - [Kol HaMishpacha Family Service](#)

HANUKKAH IN A BOX

Hanukkah in a Box is a perfect way to send holiday wishes to college students, grandkids, seniors, anyone. This care package contains an LED Menorah, Hanukkah goodies and more!
 COST/DONATION: \$36. For more information contact: cindy@kolrinahstl.org



Orders Accepted

Oct. 15
 Thru
Nov. 3

We Need Winter Wonderland Volunteers

KoREH has been chosen by St. Louis County Dept. of Parks and Recreation to staff one evening of Winter Wonderland at Tilles Park. Ten volunteers are needed to take admission from patrons who drive through the park. For our efforts, **KoREH will receive a donation of \$500.**
 For more information contact: cindy@kolrinahstl.org or 314.727.1747



Monday
Dec. 25
4 pm

Help Sponsor a Shabbat Kiddush

Call the office, 314.727.1747.

A Message from Our Rabbi

Rabbi Noah Arnow - Senior Rabbi

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Simchat Torah 5784 @ Kol Rinah

I write this in the middle of October, Hamas's horrific assault on Israel is ten days in the past. As you know, it occurred on Shabbat which was also Shemini Atzeret (and in Israel, Simchat Torah too). Shemini Atzeret (the 8th day of Sukkot), and Simchat Torah, an extra day after that, are known as *zman simchateinu*, the season of our rejoicing—two of the happiest days on the Jewish calendar.

For your curiosity, or interest, and maybe for posterity, I want to remember how we observed Simchat Torah this year, amidst so much sadness, horror, mourning, fear, and uncertainty.

Saturday night we had a small group for erev Simchat Torah, as we had focused our efforts on celebrating Simchat Torah on Sunday morning.

I led maariv, and just used the regular festival evening nusach (melody), instead of being sillier, as we often

are, on Simchat Torah. For the hakafot (circles), we walked Torahs around the sanctuary. There was no dancing to speak of. We sang one song for each hakafah, slow songs appropriate for the circumstances, including *Am Yisrael Chai* (the people Israel lives), *Esa Einai* (I will lift up my eyes to the hills), *Lo Yisa Goy* (nation shall not lift up sword against nation), *Hatikvah*, and *L'shana Haba'a Birushalayim* (next year in Jerusalem).

The next morning, with many families and kids in attendance, as well as Will Soll on guitar and a violinist friend of his there, we needed to decide how festive to make the hakafot.

Shacharit and Hallel (led by Rabbi Shafrin) were normal-ish, for a regular holiday, although not festive as one would expect for Simchat Torah. Per Will Soll's thoughtful suggestion, the first hakafah was silent, as we all

walked, with the Torahs, slowly around the sanctuary. The next few hakafot were similar to the previous night—one song each (similar list of songs), no dancing. For one hakafah, Will and his friend played a kind of mournful dance, which we listened to as we walked.

For the seventh and final hakafah, we let loose, again with *L'shana Haba'a Birushalayim*, and musical accompaniment, and we really danced.

I know some people were itching to dance sooner. I know others who, too upset, couldn't come in to the sanctuary, or who couldn't even bring themselves to shul.

We found, I think, a way to make it feel like Simchat Torah, amidst a time of mourning, a time of shock.

May we never need to use this playbook again.

President's Message

Barbara Shamir, President

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Israel is at war. Our voices are raised in pain and anguish. Pray for strength for Israel's soldiers and for all our people in the land of Israel. Pray for peace. Support Israel in any way you can.



Find Kol Rinah Leadership info

when you log in to your Kol Rinah account, under the **Members** tab.

Click links below to purchase...

[Memorial plaques or headers](#)
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November Birthdays

Jonah Abeles, Sharon Rosenberg, Barb Perlmutter, Benjamin Flug, Nira Asher Geller, Jackie Fenster, Erica Buchalter, David Berger, Juliet Chayat, Nancy Drake, Sandra Goldford, Shay Kweskin, Karen Rader, Daniel Scharff, Betty Siegel, Joshua Kahky, Riav Feit, Patsy Spector, David Fox, Barbara Shamir, Joel Brok, Patrick Kolieboi, Benjamin Spector, Margaret Israel, Tamara Miller, Charles Johnson, Shula Neuman, Charlotte Moss, Maya Besmer, Eric Emmenegger, Alisa Reichman, Richard Feldman, Jonathan Zoller, Nissa Papour, Toby Zaidman, Ashley Harken, Henry Lega, Byron Katcher, Linda Biggs, Aaron Mandel, Elaine Tenzer, Derek Wetmore, Abraham Horowitz, Rachel Shenker, Marilyn Dien, Steven Kayman, Garry Vickar, Rachel Gottlieb, Michael Wetmore, Leslie Johnson, Susan Allen, Megan Meyers, Morgan Meyers, Aaron Schwartz, Samuel Bashkin, Maayan Olshan, Sidney Sapot, Amy LeDeaux, Gail Appleson, Peggy Nehmen, David Braude, Linda Makler, Deborah Wohl, Trina Schukar, Aviva Buck-Yael, Yoseph Santer, David Reznick, Cassie Feldman, Isabelle Schultz, Trudie Huss, Rachel Sanger, John Perlmutter, David Cooperstein, Margaret Gillerman, Steven Aroesty, Cynthia Vickar, Ethan Bernstein, Diane Kopitsky, Brenda Grossman, Zachary Wexelman, Asael Papour, Eden Davis, Bradley Reichman, Jacob Greenberg, Sima Needleman

November Anniversaries

Will Soll & Kalanit Chappell
Sasha & Blair Kweskin
Georgia Zev & Delaney Holden
Sally & Adam Hendin
Aaron & Molly Schwartz
Harold & Karen Karabell
Michael & Gina Bernstein
Rebecca & Christopher Mollett

Jonathan & Stephanie Zoller
Zeke & Skylar Swim
Brian & Barb Herstig
Rebecca Miller & Ezra Cohen
Marvin & Doris Lerner
Stephen & Darien Arnstein
Henry & Esther Claire Lega
Mark & Alice Fasman
Stephen & Nancy Keyser
Jerrold & Rosalyn Schwartz
Barry & Sheila Durlister
Michael Greenfield & Claire Halpern
Donald & Joanne Singer
Hanford & Katherine Gross
Marc & Elaine Tenzer
Richard Frankel & Kari Kramer

December Birthdays

Sara Levenson, Jaime Befeler, Golda Cohen, Philip Johnson, Mark Engel, Carol Battle, Ellie Rosenblatt, Jonah Schwartz, Ishai Gerson, Elizabeth Nora Braude, Spencer Rosenblum, Julia Lieberman, Madison Mollett, Meghan Roberta Sheldon, Leonid Shmuylovich, Alan Portman, Liad Lerner, Adam Cohen, Ryan Snyder, Leslie Birenbaum, Susan Roth, Marcia Brockman, Kim Jacobs, Karen Karabell, Micah Lotsoff, Cindy Payant, Joel Portman, Aiden Moss, Alisa Cooperstein, Zach Rosenblatt, Zachary Leeds, Jonathan Belsky, Gabriel Chaise, Shira Berkowitz, Brian Herstig, Jenna Lew-Feit, Emilia Brown, Richard Gavatin, Rhiannon Kaye, Isabelle Emmenegger, David Gellman, Cheryl Mallin, Jeremy Shanas, Noah Engel, Caren Goldstein, Myles Rosenblum, Jordyn Wolf, Neil Silverblatt, Benjamin Singer, Catalina Rubin, Pardes Lyons-Warren, Rita Rothschild, Marvin Lerner, Suzanne Broddon, Dahlia Gerson, Joyce Eisenberg, Henry Johnson, Aaron Bobick, Chase Rubin, Danny Gurvis, Otto Lane, Amanda Rainey, Adam Brok, Stephen Arnstein, Sandy Taryle, Josh Chaise, David Geller,

Micah Buck-Yael, Ellen Harken, Skylar Swim, Scott Kaar

December Anniversaries

Robert & Joyce Olshan
Noah & Tamara Arnow
Marvin & Ginger Marcus
Benjamin & Rosetta Weintraub
Howard & Jodi Granok
John & Amy LeDeaux
Ralph & Mimi Graff
Michael & Harriet Shanas
Mark & Amy Rubin
Alan & Bonnie Templeton
Tasha Kaminsky & Elad Gross
Michael & Nancy Drake
Steven & Beth Leeds
Stan Braude & Nancy Berg
Charles & Cheryl Mallin

**Listed chronologically in the month*

Thank You

Many, many thanks to all my friends for remembering my birthday. It was most heart-warming. Fondly,

Marian Katz

Thank you all so much for the tributes, kind words and support following the recent death of my husband of 51 years, Anthony Greene. You are all like my second family and there is no place I would rather be than here among all who care. Sincerely,

Nancy Greene

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!

Verein Discussion Group

Richard Gavatin and Ralph Graff, Co-Chairs

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On January 7th, at 4pm at Kol Rinah, Verein will have Will Soll presenting "THE STORY OF KLEZMER". What is klezmer? Will Soll will take us on a 75 minute tour of the musics we know as klezmer, using stories, recordings, and his own performance.

[Online RSVP available soon.](#)

Verein is looking for someone who can read Yiddish when written with Hebrew letters. If you are that person, we have a job for you! It's a one-time job and we don't think it will take you a lot of time. Call Ralph at 314.725.7778 and get the details!

Ralph and Richard

Engagement

Karen Kern, Engagement Coordinator

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Wow – the High Holidays flew by and it was absolutely wonderful to see so many Kol Rinah members and guests coming together to connect and celebrate. Thank you for joining us and thank you to everyone who helped to make everything run smoothly.

I hope that you'll join us for all of the amazing events that we have coming up in November and December. We are super excited for our Hanukkah Pop Up Craft Fair on November 12, which is a fundraiser for KoREH, our religious school. Please come support KoREH and get your Hanukkah shopping done at the same time. We are also excited to celebrate our newest Kol Rinah members at our New Member Shabbat

on November 18th. And Brotherhood is having a docent led tour of the Holocaust Museum that same weekend. In both November and December, we will have our music filled Kol Chadash Shabbat, Kol HaMishpacha Family Shabbat, Tot Shabbat, and Shabbat Torah Talks. December will bring with it a Hanukkah program and dinner on Sunday December 10th. Our Tzedek team will hold a winter blood drive on December 17th and we'll have our annual Kol Rinah congregational meeting that same afternoon. Please watch the website and your email for further details regarding all of these events.

B'shalom,
Karen

Condolences to the Families Of

Rosanne Burack
Anthony "Tony" Greene
Franklin Haspiel
Vivian Kranzberg
Patricia Mueller
Betty Rosenberg
May their memories be a blessing.

Chesed Visits!



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Learn Haftarah, Trope or Prayer

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Kol Rinah Presents

Hanukkah Pop-Up CRAFT FAIR

Featuring Local, crafted goods:
Ceramics, Glass, Jewelry, Judaica, and more!

- Great for holiday gifts.
- Gift wrapping too!

Sunday, Nov. 12
11 am - 4 pm
at Kol Rinah

Welcome to Kol Rinah!

On November 18th, we will be celebrating these New Members who have joined us since May 2022. We will have nametags for our new Members; we ask that everyone wear their High Holiday nametag (or make a nametag at home).

Akiva & Revi Belk	Tamara Miller
Shira Berkowitz	Trevor & Megumi Moss
Fannie Bialek	Mark Nalick
Daphne Drohobycz	Shula Neuman
Dana & Eric Emmenegger	Ruth & Trevor Orr
Brian & Margaret Goldstein	Jalna & Asael Papour
Roza Gossage	Ellie Rosenblatt
Rivka Gottschall	Michael & Linda Rosenblatt
Rebecca Grossman & Luke Wells	Livia & Gavriel Savit-Woods
Jordan & Avital Kadosh	Daniel Scharff
Joshua Kahky	Lisa Schlesinger
Shelli Kastin & Ken Wilson	Neil & Dana Silverblatt
Andrea Kibel	Adrian Shifren & Caryn Garriga
Catrice & Patrick Kolieboi	Will Soll & Kalanit Chappell
Marc Lipoff & Jessica Billig	Sara & Peter VanLinn
Alan & Annette Mandel	Joseph & Erica Weiss
Eliot Markman	Stefanie & Bryce Woollen
Rebecca Miller & Ezra Cohen	Yaacov & Rachel Yarkoni
	Zoya Zabegalova

Fannie Bialek moved to Saint Louis to join the faculty at WashU, where she is currently an assistant professor at the John C. Danforth Center on Religion and Politics. Raised in Princeton, NJ, Fannie studied for conversion and bat mitzvah with Rabbi Jim Diamond, z"l, who had recently arrived from leading the WashU Hillel with many wonderful stories of the warmth of the Saint Louis Jewish community. She has been happy to find that in this as all other matters, Rabbi Diamond was a reliable guide.



Dana and Eric Emmenegger have re-joined Kol Rinah after five years with their family in Boulder, Colorado. They've returned to the Clayton area with their kids Eli, Isaac, and Izzy, a junior, freshman and 5th grader, respectively. Dana and Eric both work in pet food, Dana at Nestle Purina and Eric at Instinct, and they love theatre, running, hiking and traveling in their free time.

Rivka Gottschall has two sons. She is an accountant for the USDA, working in Illinois. She loves helping others.



Patrick & Catrice Kolieboi are St. Louis natives. Patrick is a paralegal at Wells Fargo and Catrice is an Operations Manager at Caleres. They have a 10-year-old son Micah and a 4-year-old daughter Hannah. They officially joined Kol Rinah in the summer of 2023, but started attending off and on when their son joined the Monica Lynne Neidorff Early Childhood Center. They love the friendly community and young family events.



Andrea Kibel is a graduate student studying epidemiology at SLU. She moved to St Louis in August from California, where she grew up in a Reform congregation. She enjoys cooking, writing fiction and poetry, and watching birds and squirrels.

Annetta & Alan Mandel are both lawyers. Alan and Annetta have six grown children and are busy grandparents



The Moss family relocated to St. Louis last year after living in Tokyo for over 20 years. Trevor Moss is originally from St. Louis and they moved back to St. Louis to be closer to family. Trevor and Megumi founded and run an English speaking babysitter matching platform in Japan (www.carefinder.jp/en). They were active in the JCC in Tokyo and are looking forward to becoming a part of the Kol Rinah community in St. Louis.

Shula Neuman is a boomerang St. Louis native. She's lived all over the country and world before returning to St. Louis (a third time) about ten years ago. Shula spent the bulk of her career as a journalist, mostly in the public radio realm, including NPR and St. Louis Public Radio. She currently is self-employed, working as an editorial consultant for journalism organizations and nonprofits. She lives in the Central West End with her dog, Sadie. Kol Rinah is the first synagogue she's ever joined.



Ruth & Trevor Orr joined Kol Rinah in September 2022. They came together during covid at a mutual friend's birthday party. Through the lockdown, their love grew and they moved in together. They married on February 19th, 2023. Ruth grew up in West Rogers Park, Chicago, IL and Trevor grew up in Ironton, MO. Ruth is a Business Analyst for the Air Force and Trevor is a Business Relationship Manager at Edward Jones. They now reside in Arnold and are working on starting their family.



Livia & Gavriel Savit-Woods moved to St. Louis to be near a Jewish community with their daughters Molly and Lily. Livia teaches literature and Gavriel is an award-winning novelist and morning host on Classic 107.3 and is on our Kol Rinah Board of Directors. Molly is now 3, Lily is now 5.

Will Soll is a St. Louis musician specializing in Jewish music, folk music and his own compositions. Will has also taught Religious studies at colleges and seminaries and was previously a Torah teacher and chazan at Congregation Neve Shalom. He is married to Kalanit Chappell and has two daughters and two step-daughters.



The Silverblatt family moved from Chicago to St. Louis in 2016, when their daughter, Kayla, was one. Dana, a St. Louis native, was happy to return to her roots and Neil agreed happily to join this community that was similar to his hometown in Pittsburgh. Since then, their family has expanded to include twins Isaac and Ezra (now 5) and puppy, Max (50lbs at 7 months and still growing). While the Silverblatt children have been attending KoREH for some time, the family was happy to make it "official" by joining Kol Rinah in August 2023.



Sarah & Peter VanLinn have been in St. Louis for 12 years and are so happy to be a part of Kol Rinah. They have three boys; Zev is 11, Asher is 9, and Emmet is 6.



Luke Wells & Rebecca Grossman joined Kol Rinah in 2022 with their 2 year old daughter Juniper (June). Rebecca grew up in St. Louis and Luke grew up in Troy, Illinois. Both attended SLU Law School. Luke is a criminal defense attorney, and Rebecca is a personal injury attorney. They enjoy entertaining friends and family, cooking, gardening, and house renovation projects. Luke and Rebecca joined Kol Rinah to raise June in a warm Jewish community. June has enjoyed attending the Monica Lynne Neidorff Early Childhood Center, and they all enjoy Tot Shabbat!

Kol Rinah *New Member* Shabbat

Please join us for a special Shabbat service to warmly welcome and honor all those who have joined our congregation since May 2022.

A Kiddush will follow services.

More information: KolRinahStl.org or golchamp@aol.com

Saturday,
Nov. 18
9:00 am

Sisterhood

Micki Kingsley - Sisterhood President

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It is just about the end of October, after a period of almost two months of holidays. It should have been a time for taking a deep breath and enjoying the relative quiet. But news last week from Israel was devastating and most of us are living with news hour by hour.

It has made our fun and successful Supper in the Sukkah seem far away. The committee of Joyce Olshan, Enid Perl, Joanne Singer, and Marian Katz,

chaired by Joyce Gang, managed to combine fine weather, good food, good company, and Will Soll, who not only furnished the ambiance as we congregated, but later, led a sing-along.

Fran Kaar is still posting dues checks, so if you haven't yet sent yours in, we hope that you will do so soon.

The Jewish Book Festival begins November 5th; and if you have any

questions about tickets or speakers, you can contact Peggy Nehmen, our Sisterhood representative on the Book Festival committee.

We are still looking for a date with Rabbi Jessica Shafrin for her second installment of *Feeding Women of the Talmud and Ourselves*. Immediately after her first zoom program, everyone started clamoring for more.

May we continue to keep the State of Israel and its people in our thoughts. May we continue to pray for the safe return of hostages taken so violently as we mourn for those lost to heartless, inhumane murder.



Kol Rinah Sisterhood proudly supports the festival.
Cookbook author and YouTube star Andrew Rea, from the show "Basics with Babish," will show off his latest cookbook.

ST. LOUIS JEWISH BOOK FESTIVAL

Tuesday, Nov. 7
7:00 pm
at the J

Sisterhood Sukkah Dinner

photos by Debbie Finkelstein [see our photo gallery](#)



Friday Night with Staam!

(Wash U's Jewish a cappella group) Kabbalat Shabbat at 6pm with Staam concert following dinner.

Reservations required for dinner: (\$25/adults, \$10/kids)

For more information contact: office@kolrinahstl.org or 314.727.1747



Friday Evening

Nov. 17
6 pm

Brotherhood

Bob Olshan - Brotherhood President

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In the last issue of the Voice Brotherhood wished all a "Shanah Tovah U'Metukah. Have a happy and Sweet New Year, may it be a year of peace and prosperity for you, your family and our broader community from Kol Rinah, to St. Louis, across the US and in Israel! Brotherhood would like to encourage all of us to do our part to make the world a better place. "

Well, this year started as a sweet new year with our "Veggie" Steak and Scotch in the Sukkah for which 43% of the people tried our Veggie options. But, as you all know, our sweet new year was shattered with the unbelievable news

we all woke up to on the Chag Shabbat morning October 7th. The barbaric hate filled terrorist attacks that tore through the heart of Israel and our global Jewish community.

Kol Rinah Brotherhood stands in solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Israel, with Kol Rinah, our St. Louis Community, our US Jewish Community, our Global Community to support Israel in every way we can. Please make donations to the Federation Israel Emergency Fund or any other charity. I will be asking the Brotherhood BOD to have Kol Rinah Brotherhood make a \$1000 donation

to the Israel Emergency Fund.

Thoughts and prayers to all who have been affected by this devastating terrorist attack and the Israeli IDF soldiers who have fallen and will fall in the coming weeks.

Please join us for the Holocaust tour on Nov 18th where we can discuss the Holocaust and current events. Also join us every third Sunday for a brotherhood get together at 7pm. Hopefully by Chanukah we'll be able to rejoice together.

Am Yisrael Chai!

Bob Olshan & Max Brown

Brotherhood Sukkah Dinner

photos by Bob Olshan [see our photo gallery](#)



Docent-led tour of the Kaplan Feldman Holocaust Museum

Brotherhood is offering a guided tour of the newly-renovated Kaplan Feldman Holocaust Museum on Nov. 19 at 1pm. Attendance is limited, and we want to accommodate accessibility needs. Admission ticket to be paid by individuals.

Adults 18-64: \$12; Seniors 65+: \$10; Museum Members: free.
Please RSVP to Kol Rinah's office (Phone: 314-727-1747)



**Sunday,
Nov. 19
1:00 pm**

Tzedek Team

Rebecca Mollet - Tzedek Team Chair

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The Tzedek Team will host a blood drive at Kol Rinah on December 17th, from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm. As the winter is approaching, the need for blood is as great as ever. Blood supplies are routinely low during and after the holiday season. We are proud that ImpactLife has recognized Kol Rinah as one of its most reliable donation sites. Please step up when the need is greatest and [sign up](#).

As you've probably seen by now, Kol Rinah is hosting its first ever Hanukkah Pop-up Craft Fair, on November 12th, from 11 am to 4 pm. The Craft Fair will offer the opportunity to find unique gifts for the holiday. Its success depends on all of us. Please contact KoREH Religious School Director Cindy Kalachek at to sign up to help staff the Fair by gift-wrapping and selling Shabbat and Hanukkah

candles. As the date gets closer, we will also be looking for donations of wrapping paper, gift bags, and the like. Watch Kol Rinah E-Notes and website for more details.

And, finally, you can help the broader St. Louis community, as well as Kol Rinah, by volunteering to take tickets at the Tilles Park Winter Wonderland on December 25th, from 4 pm to 9 pm. The St. Louis County Parks, which hosts the event, will give Kol Rinah a generous donation of \$500 to thank us for our participation. Contact Cindy Kalachek at cindy@kolrinahstl.org for details and to sign up.

Becky Mollett

Kol Rinah Tzedek Team is sponsoring a Blood Drive

We're coming together to help save lives! For patients in need, donated blood can change everything. Masks and appointments are required for all donors. Kosher snacks will be provided. Giving blood takes about an hour. Donors must be healthy, weigh at least 110 lbs. and be 17 years or older. Please hydrate ahead of your appointment! Sign-up today at: 314.727.1747 or office@kolrinahstl.org

**Sunday,
Dec 17**
at Kol Rinah
11:30 am – 2:30 pm

KoREH

Cindy Kalachek - Religious School Director

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What does a typical day at KoREH look like? We begin as a community, with the fabulously musically talented Karen Kern leading us through a Havdalah ceremony. Then we go into our grade level classes where our teachers and madrichim staff provide engaging learning opportunities for our students. After a snack, the students then enjoy time in their chugim (electives) with topics ranging from art, Jewish makerspace, obstacles and challenges, and the ever so popular "Not Your Bubbie's Kitchen." Then we reconvene as a community to participate in T'fillah, or hear a story – something that will get

these kiddos thinking about a Jewish concept as they depart.

Our August school supplies drive donated 863 items consisting of folders, markers, crayons, pencils, notebooks, glue sticks, construction paper and more, totaling \$1,588.75 in supplies. These items made their way to the KidSmart warehouse and then will be distributed to STL teachers throughout the year. I hope that this is a yearly event for Kol Rinah.

So here's a question that might not often get asked in a synagogue newsletter... what are your plans on the evening of December 25?

KoREH has been chosen to be the featured non-profit and staff the Tilles Park Winter Wonderland that evening. This is a win-win for us: KoREH will receive a donation for providing a staff of volunteers to take admission at the event. Additionally, we can be out helping out the greater community, allowing others to have a wonderful holiday and enjoy this St. Louis tradition. We are in need of volunteers willing to help the whole time, from 4-9pm. Please contact Cindy Kalachek, cindy@kolrinahstl.org to secure your spot.

B'Shalom,
Cindy Kalachek

Monica Lynne Neidorff Early Childhood Center

Liz Collins - Monica Lynne Neidorff Early Childhood Center Director

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Our school year at Monica Lynne Neidorff Early Childhood Center is off to a great start! With the Jewish holidays starting a little earlier this school year, we jumped right into learning, exploring and celebrating.

We had an incredible Grandparents Shabbat in early September in honor of Grandparent's Day. During Rosh

Hashanah, Rabbi Arnow visited the classrooms to blow the shofar for the children to hear. Classes also tasted a variety of flavors of apples to find their favorite, dipped the apples in honey for a yummy treat, and then created beautiful artwork by dipping the apples in red, green, and yellow paint and stamping them on paper. Then for Sukkot, Rabbi Arnow stopped by classrooms once

again, but this time to show a lulav and etrog and give each child the chance to shake them.

In the next couple of weeks I am excited for the classes to be learning about the creation of the world, Noah and the ark, and so much more. Then before you know it we will be celebrating Thanksgiving and Hanukkah.

Thanks to a generous donor, we have a \$500,000 matching gift to help fund the expansion of the Monica Lynne Neidorff Early Childhood Center. Please join us – gifts of any size will help us Meet the Match!



We are Looking for Volunteers

Our Monica Lynne Neidorff Early Childhood Center has volunteer opportunities for those interested in working a few hours a week to help support our teachers. Click to let us know what times you are available. collinse@kolrinahstl.org

MONICA LYNNE NEIDORFF
Early Childhood
Center



[more photos on our gallery page](#)

1 Wednesday

4:15pm Halls & Catering Mtng
7pm Community Learning Mtng

2 Thursday

7pm Personnel Mtng

3 Friday

11:30am Monica Lynne Neidorff Early
Childhood Center Shabbat
5:41pm Candle Lighting

4 Saturday

Parshat Vayera
9:30am Kol Chadash
6:43pm Havdalah

5 Sunday

9am Communication Mtng
9am KoREH - All School Special (No Chugim)
7pm Facility Committee Mtng

6 Monday

7 Tuesday

7pm Finance Committee Mtng

8 Wednesday

7pm Ritual Committee Mtng

9 Thursday

7pm Coordinating Committee Mtng

10 Friday

11:30am Monica Lynne Neidorff Early
Childhood Center Shabbat
4:34pm Candle Lighting

11 Saturday

Parshat Chayei Sara
Shabbat Mevarchim
Veterans Day
10:15am Torah Talk
10:45am Kol HaMishpacha Family
Shabbat Service
12:30pm Veteran Shabbat Kiddush
5:36pm Havdalah

12 Sunday

9am Communication Mtng
9am KoREH in Session
11am Kol Rinah Presents: Hanukkah
Pop-Up Craft Fair

13 Monday

14 Tuesday

ROSH CHODESH KISLEV

15 Wednesday

16 Thursday

7pm Kol Rinah Board Mtng

17 Friday

11:30am Monica Lynne Neidorff Early
Childhood Center Shabbat
4:29pm Candle Lighting
6pm Friday night services & dinner with
Staan

18 Saturday

Parshat Toldot
9am Kol Rinah New Member Shabbat
10:15am Torah Talk
10:45am Tot Shabbat
3:30pm Shabbat Mincha/Maariv at KR
5:31pm Havdalah

19 Sunday

9am Communication Mtng
9am KoREH in Session
1pm Brotherhood Docent Led STL
Holocaust Visit

20 Monday

21 Tuesday

7pm Engagement Mtng

22 Wednesday

23 Thursday

Thanksgiving Day - Office & School Closed
8am Shacharit in-person

24 Friday

Office & School Closed
4:25pm Candle Lighting

25 Saturday

Parshat Vayetzai
10:15am Torah Talk
5:27pm Havdalah

26 Sunday

Thanksgiving Weekend - No KoREH
9am Communication Mtng

27 Monday

7:30pm Capital Campaign Mtng

28 Tuesday

7pm Sisterhood Board Mtng

29 Wednesday

30 Thursday

Services

(Unless Otherwise Listed)

Weekday 7am and 6pm • Zoom*

Sunday 8am and 6pm • Zoom

We say kaddish with a Zoom Minyan.

*Thursday mornings are in-person only

Friday Kabbalat Shabbat

6pm • in-person

Shabbat Mornings

9am • In-person & streaming

Shabbat Evenings

Once monthly as listed • in-person

kolrinahstl.org/kr-streaming

Help us make a minyan!

Jewish Food Pantry November List

You can help the Harvey Kornblum Jewish Food Pantry by donating money or food. Please, no glass. For more info, contact Louise Levine 314.368.5902.

Thank you.

1. Beef Stew, Chili & Protein-Rich Food
2. Kosher Non-Perishable Foods
3. Peanut Butter & Jelly
4. Macaroni & Cheese
5. Canned Vegetables (peas, corn, & beans)
6. Any Kind of Canned Fruit
7. Dry Spaghetti & Tomato Sauces
8. Personal care items such Shampoo, Conditioner, and Deodorant

A collection barrel is in our Asher-Geller Hall (Main Entry Lobby)