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## KI and Food Insecurity in Pittsfield

### *The fight, the facts, the figures*

*Nancy Cook-Dubin, Chairperson of KI's Social Justice Committee, gave such a meaningful presentation during the Yom Kippur service that we asked for permission to share it, and Nancy graciously agreed.*

Good morning and Shanah Tovah.

I'd like to share with you today the work some of our congregants have been doing in the fight against food insecurity in Pittsfield.

Over the past 18 months, the Knesset Israel Food Pantry Team has played an important role in a coordinated, interfaith effort to provide nutritious fresh food each week to over 1500 of our neighbors.

KI congregants have been contributing volunteer hours and donations to the South Community Food Pantry since the pandemic began. This program is the largest in Berkshire County. It has been evolving for over 30 years, starting as meals provided by St. Joe's Kitchen and expanding to the South Church facility.

Today this program provides grab and go dinners and breakfasts several times a week, food pantry pickups 2 days a week, including a table for walk-in pickups, and deliveries to over 250 households. In addition to all of this, CHP is now providing a van and personnel to administer the Johnson and Johnson vaccine once a month on Wednesday mornings during pantry pick-ups.

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**...the number of food recipients expands every week and so does the need for additional people to pack and distribute these essential basic provisions.**



## Shirei Shabbat

*Mark your calendar for December 3*

A joyous, musical Friday night service in honor of Shabbat and Hannuka will take place on December 3 at 5:45 p.m.

RSVP for a delicious, festive dinner (\$20/adult, free for children and teens, space is limited).

Register at [knesetisrael.org](http://knesetisrael.org), where you will also find current information about safety precautions.

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## Member Mitzvahs & Mazel Tovs



*Ariel Noam Weiner*

■ **Ariel Noam Weiner**, son of **Judith and Rabbi David Weiner** and brother to Joseph and Shira, will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on November 6, 2021. His grandparents are Susan and Peter Kadar, Linda Kerman, and Alan Weiner.

Ari attends Herberg Middle School, where he participates in the jazz band. He also plays piano and enjoys travel, hiking, and trying new food. Ari has studied at the KI Hebrew School for many years and returns to Camp Ramah in New England most summers. His favorite part of the bar mitzvah program has been learning his Torah readings.

The congregation is welcome to participate in person. RSVP is essential at <https://bit.ly/3lreTMZ>, or view on KI's livestream.

■ Several KI members did us proud by participating in/volunteering for the **45th Annual Josh Billings RunAground Triathlon** on Sunday, September 19. This event, a run/walk/paddle fundraiser, has supported Berkshire United Way and its work in the community for more than 20 years.

Unfortunately, as we went to press we did not have a full list of participants and volunteers. Please let us know if we missed you and we'll be sure to include your name in the next issue. Your spirit is appreciated, and your friends and colleagues want to know about your efforts.

Partial list of KI participants:

**Lara Denmark** aka IronMom (2nd place award—Way to go, Laura!)

**Jesse Cook-Dubin** aka Ironman

**Richie Simons** and **Jeff Siegel**—their team is called “The Schvitz Hits The Fan”

**Heidi, Dick, and Robert Ferrin** and **Marvin Smith** all volunteered as helpers and assistants for the race.

■ **Cindy and Ed Helitzer** are proud to announce that their daughter Lindsey and her husband, Zak Standel, had a healthy baby boy born in Australia on September 22!

■ **Alan and Carol Cohen** are celebrating their 59th wedding anniversary on Nov. 11.

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# From the Rabbi

## Talmudic Ideas for Contemporary Challenges

*Authentic listening, respectful discourse, understanding opposing views*

Several weeks ago, I had the opportunity to attend a Hartman Institute seminar taught by Israel's Ambassador to the United Kingdom, Daniel Taub, entitled "Dealing with Difference." A scholar as well as a diplomat, Ambassador Taub spoke admiringly about how Talmud study can inform how we approach conflict and lead to more thoughtful outcomes. Among the themes he focused on were careful listening, mental flexibility, and recognizing the limits of our knowledge.



Rabbi David Weiner

own opinions. This is very hard to do. In his recent book, *Think Again*, Wharton professor Adam Grant looks at the challenge from the other perspective. "Mount Stupid," he says, is the hill we climb whenever we are learning something new and quickly feel as though we understand it, when our knowledge really only scratches the surface.

The ignorance fallacy—that we don't know what we don't know—then keeps us on the arrogant heights, at least until we choose to climb down to learn more

high court, were challenged with a legendary test: to argue cogently, using the Torah, that an insect is pure (Sanhedrin 17a). Now, the Torah explicitly and authoritatively asserts the impurity of insects, and no one really wanted to bring insects onto the grounds of the Temple in Jerusalem. Nevertheless, the test required a scholar to understand an opposing, perhaps even repulsive argument, grasp it from the inside, and then state it coherently and defend it convincingly. I find it fascinating that mental flexibility—and not fluency in the words of Torah, personal piety, spirituality, or mastery of precedent—is the signature of the ultimate Jewish scholar.

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For the Talmud, listening begins with quiet. "Rabbi Shimon ben Gamliel used to teach: Throughout my life, I was raised among the scholars—and I discovered that nothing becomes a person more than silence" (*Pirkei Avot 1:17*). Rabbi Shimon is not asking us not to use our voices; rather he is suggesting patience—that we listen and allow others' wisdom to reach us before we fill the air with our

or, more often, just fall down the other side. Practicing silence more often can be a great way to descend from Mount Stupid without incident.

Quiet may be a start, but our tradition demands even deeper listening than that. It encourages us not only to make space for others' perspectives but also to understand them. Scholars who aspired to serve on the Sanhedrin, the rabbinic

Perhaps this explains why the rabbinic approach to law values the argument more than the ruling. While a decision might last for a generation before it needs to be reconsidered, the principles behind an argument are far more enduring. While the second century Romans filled law books with the conclusions reached by lawyers, judges, and legislators, they rarely wrote down their deliberations or the opinions that were not adopted. In contrast, the second century Mishna preserves arguments, including minority opinions, for posterity, while almost always omitting the resolution of the issue. This must be deliberate. The teachings about Sukkahs which begin, "A sukkah taller than twenty cubits is invalid. Rabbi Yehuda says it is valid" (*Mishna Sukkah 1:1*) do not help us build a kosher Sukkah. Instead, they invite students to explain why a skyscraper sukkah might be invalid, then to explain with equal intensity why such a structure might be considered valid. Over time, someone who has learned to argue both sides of even simple situations will also engage respectfully and thoughtfully

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# From the President

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## Thanks to the BJFF Committee

### *The people, work, and benefits of KI's remarkable program*

The Berkshire Jewish Film Festival is an incredible gem. Many of us only experience the results of the extraordinary effort that goes into producing it in July and August. However, the volunteers' work and the benefits to our Hebrew School families continue year-round. KI has plenty to be grateful for, but the Film Festival Committee is at the top of my list.

As most of you know, Margie Metzger, Ze'ev Raviv, and others founded the Berkshire Jewish Film Festival 35 years ago as a way of subsidizing the operations of the KI Hebrew School. Giving our children the tools they need to lead a fulfilling Jewish life is one of our highest values as a congregation. But even more than in 1987, due to our shrinking population of young families, it is a challenge to operate a pre-K-12 school for a small number of children. Because of how few grades can be combined in a classroom, it costs almost as much to educate 30 children across thirteen grades as it would otherwise cost to educate two or three times that number.

It has been an enormous task to pull off such a large festival, especially in the past two years, when in-person showings were unworkable. Here is a sampling of the tasks that the volunteers on the Committee undertake every year—and all year:

- **screen and select** films
- **negotiate** for the rights to show the films, which is a much more complex process when the films will be available on demand over the internet for an extended period than when they were shown to a finite audience in an auditorium
- **arrange** for "talkbacks" with actors and directors to enhance the experience
- **solicit** dozens of advertisers, underwriters, and sponsors
- **design and obtain** content for the written program
- **build and maintain** the [berkshirejewishfilmfestival.org](http://berkshirejewishfilmfestival.org) website, which offers trailers and showcases the Film Festival's advertisers



Jesse Cook-Dubin

- **publish** a year-round e-newsletter (please go to [berkshirejewishfilmfestival.org](http://berkshirejewishfilmfestival.org) to sign up)
- **apply** for grants
- **coordinate** for the films to be uploaded to the online platform
- **market and publicize** the Film Festival, including interviews with print and radio media
- **respond** to questions—many, many questions
- **solicit** audience feedback
- **develop** a budget and operate the Film Festival within its limitations

This year the Film Festival Committee achieved astounding results. Our congregants and others from the Berkshires and far beyond purchased more than 2,000 tickets to thirteen terrific feature-length films and a collection of five short films. The Committee successfully solicited major gifts, advertisements, and sponsorships from dozens of businesses, individuals (including many of you), and nonprofits. And KI's name, service schedule, programs, and Rabbi were featured prominently.

The work of the Film Festival Committee, and the support of all of you and others, allow us to provide a Jewish education to our children. Without them, we could not. During the 2020-21 school year when we could not offer in-person instruction, the Film Festival and other non-tuition support allowed the Hebrew School to pair each student with a tutor from the congregation.

The members of the Film Festival Committee are:

**Co-Artistic Directors:** Judy Seaman, Beth Kruvant

**Film Screening Committee Chair:** Marcie Kammel

**Film Screening Committee:**

Susan M. Albert, Susan Frisch Lehrer, Amy Herman, Fred Landes, Alan Metzger, Susan Miller, Steve Rosenthal, Herman Rotenberg, Pam Wax, Jan Zimble

**Donor Funds Committee:** Myrna Hammerling z"l, Margo Golos, Laura Rosenthal

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THE HILLS ARE ALIVE AT THE

# BERKSHIRE JEWISH FILM FESTIVAL

## KI Statement of Purpose

Welcome.

We are here to nourish mind,  
heart, and soul.

We are here to inspire through  
word and deed.

We are here to accompany  
each other on life's journey.

We are here to celebrate  
in community.

We are here to bring life  
to the wisdom and values of Torah.

We are here to transform  
our world.

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### Advertising Committee:

Judy Cook, Alexandra Warshaw

### Publicity Committee:

Joel Curran (who deserves extra  
gratitude upon his well-earned  
retirement from the committee),  
Amy Abramovich

Grants: Ed Udel, Don Sugarman

Technology: Jerry Hayden

Administration: Ev Bastow

BJFF Website: Judy Seaman

E-Newsletter: Steve Rosenthal

You can support and participate in the Berkshire Jewish Film Festival in a number of ways, including:

- **Signing up** for the e-newsletter at [berkshirejewishfilmfestival.org](http://berkshirejewishfilmfestival.org)
- **Including** the Film Festival in year-end giving—there is no need to wait for the donation form to arrive in the spring
- **Watching** the films that BJFF will be showing this winter

Please join me in thanking the Film Festival Committee and the underwriters, advertisers, and sponsors who make this amazing festival possible.

## From the Rabbi

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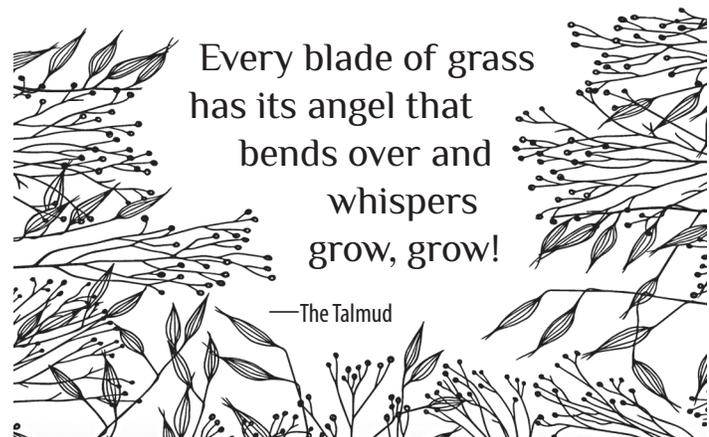
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about issues of consequence that carry an emotional charge. Rather than looking to score points or silence an adversary, a scholar should be committed to helping an adversary make the best argument possible. There may be more to learn from the argument than from its resolution.

Talmudic literature encourages not only silence and authentic listening, but also creativity. Greco-Roman logic and Jewish logic are very different from each other, as revealed in a joke Ambassador Taub shared during his presentation. A scholar of Greek philosophy might argue as follows: "All ravens are black. This bird is not black. Therefore, this bird is not a raven." This makes sense to our Western minds. However, a scholar of Talmud might frame the discussion differently: "All ravens are black. This bird is not black. Therefore, either this bird is not a raven, or this bird is a new species of raven that is not black like the others." Facing a novel situation, rabbinic logic invites the student not only to categorize but also to question the assumptions. Though at times ponderous or exhausting, this humble approach recognizes the limits of our knowledge and often yields a more nuanced conclusion.

Contemporary discourse, too frequently filtered through social media algorithms that push us to extreme positions, is tearing apart societies all over the world. But we do not have to give in or worse, pile on. Instead, we might seek to develop the very skills esteemed by our tradition—better listening, respectful engagement with the positions of people with whom we disagree, and greater creativity that recognizes that we have more to learn. These disciplines were revolutionary in the second century and remain countercultural today. Yet they may still be one of the ways that our people can continue to be a light unto the nations.



## Donate to Thanksgiving Angels

*BMM's matching grant will double your donation*

This November marks the 10th season of providing complete Thanksgiving meals to local families. We have seen the Angels project grow to where it served more than 1,450 households and 5,800 people last year. This would not have been possible without the many volunteers and your contributions.

This year we expect more requests due to the pandemic, unemployment, and housing, which continue to be concerns in our community. As a community part-

ner, KI will be raising money to buy boxes of stuffing mix. However, additional funds are used to purchase other items (mainly the turkeys, but also eggs, butter, fresh produce, pies, and more). The cost of turkeys alone this year has increased by \$15,000.00 to \$45,000.00.

But there is good news as well. Allen Harris, CEO of Berkshire Money Management (BMM), has pledged to donate \$25,000.00 in matching funds. This is an opportunity to give when your donation



will have twice the impact. Please consider making a donation if you haven't already done so.

To donate, make a check out to KI with a notation of "Thanksgiving Angels," and mail to Knesset Israel, 16 Colt Road, Pittsfield, MA 01201.

As we went to press, the total contributed to date by KI members for Thanksgiving Angels was \$2650.

Please e-mail Diane Weinstein at [diswein@gmail.com](mailto:diswein@diswein@gmail.com) with any questions.



## KI's Annual Christmas Adopt-A-Family

*Help fulfill a family's needs and wishes*

Many years ago, under the leadership of Rabbi David Small, Knesset Israel began our long-standing tradition of adopting a needy family from the Department of Children and Families. We actually were the first and only organization to do so. Many of our congregants talked to their friends and co-workers, and thanks to spreading the word in the greater community, each year more than 28 families in Berkshire County are matched to received gifts for the holiday.

Social workers for the Department submit the name of a family in their caseload with the hope that they will get adopted for the Christmas holiday. It is a daily struggle for these families to maintain stable housing and ensure that there is enough food to meet their needs. Our community at KI has always stepped forward to do this mitzvah and help make a family's holiday a joyous one.

Last year we had to adapt the program due to COVID-19, and because of current concerns regarding the virus we have decided to again solicit funds this year and have designated KI shoppers use the money to fulfill the family's wish list. Last year members of KI donated close to \$2,000 for us to shop for the family. The hope is that we can reach that goal again this year. Although as of this writing we don't have the information on our family, we do know that every year there are requests for clothing for the children and necessary household items for the family. We also always get gift cards at the grocery store where the family shops so that they can buy food and other necessities.

Families Together will be participating in the program again this year and tying that into our Hannuka celebrations. Since Hannuka arrives early this year, we hope to be able to buy all the gifts and have them ready for Families Together to wrap on December 12.

If you have any questions, please contact Susan Staskin at [shandel18@msn.com](mailto:shandel18@msn.com).

הינני איקה

*Our best response.*

*G-d's first call to human beings.*

Hineni Ayeka

Here I am.

Where are you?

Who occupies  
[her] himself with the  
needs of the community  
is as though s/he  
occupies [her] himself  
with Torah.

—Talmud Yerushalmi, Berakhot

KI and Food Insecurity in Pittsfield *continued from page 1*

The entire operation is run by volunteers: over 120 and counting. The food pantry, which provides food and supplies to be used at home, has been run for decades by the indomitable Mary Wheat.



She coordinates all of these volunteers, the donations and purchases for the needs of the recipients; anticipates shortfalls and program deficiencies; and with great grace, sets the tone for the quality of products sent out and the caring and respect that goes along with it.

For our part, KI has organized a team of steadfast supporters of this community effort. We have been making deliveries since March 2020, when we were all grappling with the safety of ourselves, of our fellow volunteers and the food recipients. We established a strategy to work safely and then encouraged others to join us. Many people need these deliveries, as opposed to making pick-ups in the church parking lot, because they are elderly, infirm, or have no transportation. Concern for going out during the pandemic and the impact of potential detentions by US Immigration and Customs Enforcement adds to the demand for deliveries to homes.

Once our team members were fully vaccinated, we were able to expand to work inside the church facility to prepare the food cartons that we deliver. Rabbi Weiner joined us for a food packing day and witnessed the scope of this impressive effort.

KI folks have shown up week after week, through all kinds of Berkshire weather, problem solving new glitches, and covering each other's routes when needed. They are dedicated to the task and have given so generously of their time. The good humor and can-do attitude of the members of our team, remind me of what we can accomplish when we join together, support each other, and work to directly improve the lives of our neighbors. Our contact with the recipients underscores the positive impact. Often they're waiting for us at the door, and I have many times received text messages (in English or Spanish) saying "G-d bless" or a prayer or hearts emoji.

My computer file name for our team is "KI All Stars." These are the people who have delivered weekly for months, covered for others for weeks, and jumped in when needed since the beginning:

- Brenda Landes • Lew Schiller • Kika Oncken Cook-Dubin
- James Eberhart • David Pill • Noah Cook-Dubin • Phil Landa
- Marcie Greenfield Simons • Amy Abramovich • Susan Gordon
- Jim Moran • Gayle Rotenberg • Herman Rotenberg
- Karen Jacobs • Bruce Jacobs • Ellen Levy-Lanciano

Other members of the KI community have also been active in the pantry, Thanksgiving Angels, Berkshire Bounty, and other organizations in the supply chain of getting food to food banks and from there to other distribution centers.

For the Pantry, the number of food recipients expands every week and so does the need for additional people to pack and distribute these essential basic provisions. And now that we are expecting 60 Afghan refugees to be resettled in Pittsfield, we will need to increase and diversify our capabilities.

There has also been a coordinated effort to fund all of this. Donations of food and supplies are made by local supermarkets and some discounted purchases can be made from the Western Mass Food Bank. The Diaper Project provides us with free dia-

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pers in needed sizes. The Jewish Federation of the Berkshires, through their 2021 Dignity Collection, donated generously to us personal hygiene products. Berkshire Bounty contributes produce, meat and eggs. KI has provided funds from congregant donations and some congregants have given directly to the Pantry.

Unfortunately, the need is ongoing and growing. Based on projections from Feeding America, the food insecurity rates for Berkshire County between 2020 and 2021 are expected to increase substantially to 11.9%. Since the South Community Food Pantry is the largest food pantry in the county, its efforts are depended upon to fill the gap. We must find more committed volunteers to support these growing needs.

When you are reflecting on how you can participate in the coming year to engage in mitzvot to make the world a better place for all of us, I hope you will consider the need for volunteers and donations to support this impactful community mission. This is a chance for us to answer the call by saying 'Hineni' here I am.

G'mar Hatima Tovah

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**Providing charity for poor and hungry people is as important as all the other commandments of the Torah combined.**

—Talmud, Baba Batra 9a

## B.I.O.'s Micah Dinner Rescheduled

*Honor Susan Staskin and Myrna Hammerling*



Photo by Nan Bookless



Photo credit: ©Rick Bern

Berkshire Interfaith Organizing (B.I.O.) rescheduled its annual Micah dinner fundraiser for November 21, 2 p.m. and moved it to an online format.

Please join in to remember Myrna Hammerling, KI's long-time delegate to B.I.O.'s executive council, and celebrate Susan Staskin, Kneset Israel's honoree for 2021, and to be inspired by the incredible stories of the people whose quiet kindness sustains the Berkshires. Our donations help to maintain Berkshire Interfaith Organizing.

"Seats" are available by donation, with a suggested minimum of \$40. Anyone donating \$100 or more will receive a free B.I.O. T-shirt. Checks should be made out to B.I.O., with "Micah" in the memo, and mailed to Kneset Israel, 16 Colt Road, Pittsfield, MA 01201.



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## Participate

*Lend your skills to KI's services*

Everyone who has followed Kneset Israel's services on line or in person knows how fortunate we are in having such a talented group of lay members who make our services so enjoyable and meaningful.

If you would like to be a part of our services there are many opportunities for participation. If you can read Torah or would like to learn, chant a Haftorah, daven a service, lift a Torah, or be a gabbai, please let Alan Metzger know at AMET8149@AOL.com.

We look forward to adding new faces and voices in making our services so special.



Families Together

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and Families Together  
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## Celebrate Hannuka 2021 5782

*Sunday evening, November 28 through Monday evening, December 6*

Hannuka is about the spark of the divine in all of us  
made in God's image.— Suzanne Fields

At this time of year, when the sun is most hidden, the holiday of Hannuka celebrates the rays of hope and light. Often, it is through simple and unrecognized miracles that we are able to feel the warmth of hope and light.—Rafael Goldstein





▶ Vaccination against Covid-19 for all adults (12+) is required for in-person attendance. Children under 12 are also welcome. Masks are required indoors. Watch the weekly KI E-News for any policy changes.

**THE KNESSET ISRAEL CEMETERY**  
will be open on Veterans Day  
Thursday, November 11 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

## Candle Lighting

### NOVEMBER CANDLE LIGHTING:

Friday, November 5 .....	5:23 p.m.
Friday, November 12.....	4:15 p.m.
Friday, November 19.....	4:09 p.m.
Friday, November 26.....	4:05 p.m.

## November Service Schedule

- **TUESDAY & THURSDAY EVENING DAVENING**  
ZOOM .....7:00 p.m.  
Zoom ID # 934-910-554
  - There will be no Thursday evening service on Thanksgiving, November 25
- **FRIDAY EVENING SERVICES**  
SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM.....5:45 p.m.
  - There will be no Friday evening service on Thanksgiving Weekend, November 26
  - There is no Shirei Shabbat in November; the next one is December 3 .....5:30 p.m.  
See page 1 for details.
- **SHABBAT / SATURDAY MORNING SERVICES**  
SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM .....9:30 a.m.
- **SUNDAY MORNING MINYAN**  
SANCTUARY & LIVESTREAM .....8:45 a.m.



## Adult Education Classes

■ **BEIT MIDRASH**  
Tuesday evenings .....7:00 p.m.  
Zoom davening followed by adult education  
ZOOM ID 934-910-554

### ■ ANCIENT APPROACHES TO HANNUKA

Tuesdays, November 2, 9, 16 & 30

Steve Feingold will lead an exploration of the history behind the holiday of Hannuka. Who were the Maccabees? How did other Jews relate to them? What is their place in history, and how do we continue to relate to them today?

Steve Feingold holds a B.A. *magna cum laude* in Jewish Studies from UCLA, where he minored in Education. Following college, Steve continued his studies at Machon Pardes and took classes to become a certified tour guide in Israel. Prior to becoming a lawyer, Steve taught Jewish History and Jewish Texts at the Herzl Day School in Los Angeles and adult education classes at the Free Jewish University of Los Angeles and the Hillel chapter at the University California at Berkeley. Over his 35-year legal career, Steve has continued to be active in Jewish education, teaching adult education classes at several synagogues in Westchester County on topics ranging from Biblical and Talmudic texts to Modern Intellectual Jewish history. Steve is the author of *From Rasseyn to Worcester: The Generations of Gershon Mendele Ziv*. Steve and his wife, Wendy, currently live full-time in the Berkshires.

*At the Beit Midrash in December, Yefim Kogan will teach several sessions about Jewish genealogical research. Stay tuned for details.*

### ■ DYNAMIC JUDAISM: SOCIETAL CHANGE AND JEWISH RESPONSE

Thursdays, November 4, 11, 18..... 10:45 a.m.-noon  
ZOOM ID: 828 5580 9361; Passcode: Teshuva

Rabbi Weiner continues his ongoing adult education class, exploring moments in which the Conservative/Masorti movement responded to societal change. Classes will involve text study as well as discussion, and topics will include Shabbat and personal status. The point is to explore not only what changed and why, but also how. All texts will be provided in advance of class, in English.

# Hebrew School

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## Hebrew School Update

*The wonderful energy of learning*

Our Hebrew School has wonderful energy as our students explore Torah, Mitzvot, Holidays, and other important topics. Our creative teachers are using all of their resources, inside and outside, to create a meaningful learning experience for all.

Students in 5th and 6th grades have had the experience of practicing and growing their knowledge of Torah reading. Each student in the class has an opportunity to read Torah on a continuous cycle. Our youngest students are beginning their journeys into learning Hebrew. A highlight from the beginning of the school year was showing a Torah scroll to our students during Simchat Torah. Our students asked insightful questions about how a Torah is made, how it is written, and why some letters look different from what they are used to.

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## Going Bananas

*We're baking bread for Thanksgiving Angels*

On Wednesday, November 10 at 5:00 p.m., Families Together and KI Hebrew School will once more bake banana bread for the Thanksgiving Angels. A program for the whole family! Questions and RSVP to Judith at [judweiner@knessetisrael.org](mailto:judweiner@knessetisrael.org).

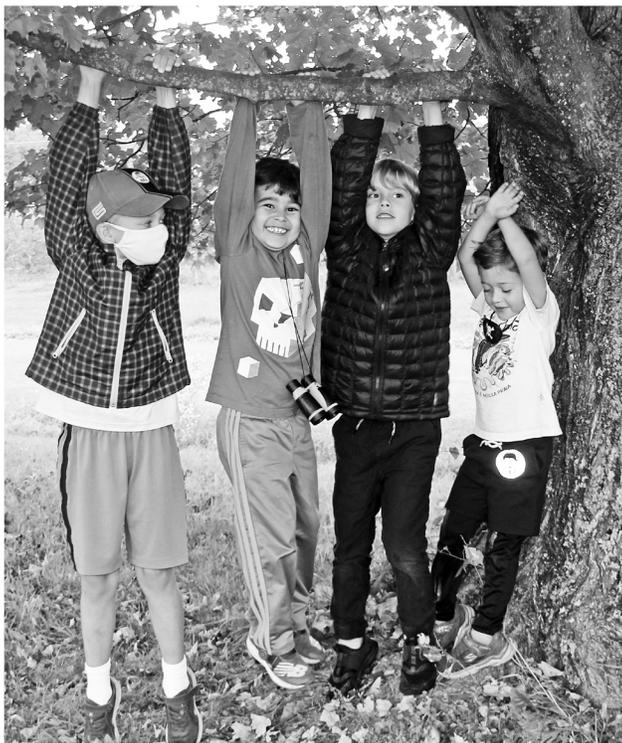
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## The Mitzvah of Apple Picking

*Our fun benefits food pantry*

On Sunday, October 3 more than 40 people joined Families Together to learn about Jewish Pirates and plunder apples for the South Congregational Food Bank. Thanks to the generosity of our families, we donated 84 pounds of apples this year.

More images from our outing appear on the back cover of this issue of KOL K.I.



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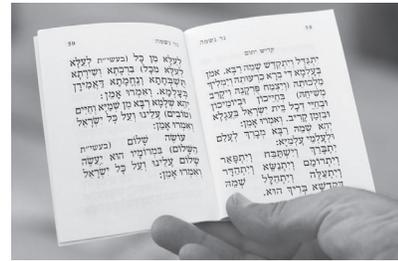
**Prayers for Healing.** Submit prayer requests to Diana by email at [office@knessetisrael.org](mailto:office@knessetisrael.org) before 11:00 a.m. Friday mornings.

**Help alleviate food insecurity.** KI's Social Justice Committee has been working closely with South Congregational Church to deliver food. We have a constant, pressing need for more people who can drive every week and for people who can commit to helping out occasionally when extra hands are needed. Deliveries are on Mondays at 11:30 a.m. They take about an hour, and masks are required. For more information, email Nancy Cook at [splynter100@gmail.com](mailto:splynter100@gmail.com).

**Submit a musing.** Kol K.I. would love to publish an article by you. Send us a story, your musings on a Jewish experience or subject, thoughts about your experiences during these crazy times. Musings by adults, teens, and children will be considered.

**In compliance with United Synagogue standards,** it is requested that you refrain from conducting synagogue business via email, text, and/or phone calls on Shabbat. Thank you.

Todah Rabah



## Options for Saying Kaddish

We encourage people who are looking to say kaddish to:

- (a) attend services in person
- (b) watch a Livestream service and say kaddish along with the assembled minyan that can be seen and heard on screen.
- (c) participate in our Zoom services—Tuesday or Thursday evenings on a day close to the Yahrzeit—and say kaddish.

Please keep in mind that, if there is no minyan in the sanctuary for a Livestream service, mourners' kaddish will not be recited.

## It Has to be You

### *How does KOL K.I. get its content?*

Every month KOL K.I. is put together by 2 people, in 2 weeks, with another 2 weeks for printing and mailing before it lands in your mailbox.

How do we get all this great content? The Rabbi and the President write monthly columns, Phil Coleman created and maintains the "Spotlight On" feature, Judith Weiner submits what's going on with Families Together and the Hebrew School, and committees send in full articles about events, accomplishments, and opportunities.

We also depend on YOU for content. We welcome submissions—whether it's a bit of good news for the Member Mitzvah pages or an essay with your thoughts about a topic relating to Judaism or KI, or a personal musing.

We do not have staff or reporters, so if you have an idea, we encourage you to write it up and send it in. We are also looking for writers who might occasionally be willing to take an assignment. If you want to discuss your idea first, contact the KOL K.I. editor, Dee Griswold, at [deegriswold@gmail.com](mailto:deegriswold@gmail.com). Accompanying high-resolution photographs or photo essays are also welcome. Contact Nan Bookless at [chama2194@gmail.com](mailto:chama2194@gmail.com) for instructions on taking and submitting images.

As per policy, publication will be at the discretion of the editorial staff, and may be subject to editing for clarity, facts, and length.

## It's a Wrap

*A call for homemade tallit stories*

—Dee Griswold

One of the most treasured parts of my adult bat mitzvah experience (2013 here at KI) was making my own tallit. Something personal to me, in my own style, my own creation that I could wrap myself in. Trust me, you are not likely to see another one like it.

We at Kol K.I. would love to hear from others who have made unique tallitot, and what the experience means to them. And of course we would love pictures.

Please contact the Editor: [deegriswold@gmail.com](mailto:deegriswold@gmail.com) for more information.

The real reason Jews don't have more Hannuka music is that, historically, American Jewish singer-songwriters were too busy making Christmas music. 'White Christmas,' 'Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer,' 'Silver Bells' and 'The Christmas Song (Chestnuts Roasting)' were all written by Jews.

—Matisyahu

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## November 8 – December 6

During the cold winter months, many children in the Berkshires go to sleep cold, without the comfort of warm pajamas.

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Did you know that a summary of the week's parshah appears at the bottom of each week's K.I. E-news?

# Spotlight On

## Lawrence Klein

*He's serious about the funnies—by Phil Coleman*



*My guest this month is a very interesting fellow with a fascinating story to tell. Longtime KI member Lawrence Klein has an incredible lifelong passion for comic book and cartoon art, as well as a genuine alter ego. Read on.*

**Hi Lawrence! So nice to have you as my guest this month. As I write this in August, we have just met at the wonderful exhibit you curated here at the Lichtenstein Center for the Arts. In collaboration with the Berkshire Art Association and the Storefront Artist Project, you've created "Everyone Is a Hero: A Comic and Cartoon Art Tribute to Our Local Heroes." Tell us about your inspirations and goals for the project.**

**Lawrence:** My basic goal was to have a great kid-centric, family friendly, free exhibit that can also be a fundraiser for the Berkshire Art Association and other non-profits. I wanted to have an interesting comic and cartoon art exhibit that could appeal to all ages and be accessible to as many people as possible. Simply, to just have cool art.

**The arc of your life is multifaceted—a successful law practice; founder of the Museum of Comic and Cartoon Art; relocation to the Berkshires after 9/11; raising your two children here with Sarah; being an active member of KI; and now working as Assistant Head of School and General Counsel at Darrow School. From speaking with you and reading about your background, it's apparent that your true life's calling really is comic book and cartoon art. It's how music is for me. What about this comic book and cartoon world engages you so?**

**Lawrence:** Comic books helped me become a better reader when I was a kid. The enjoyment of the stories and art just attracted me to reading comic books. As my internal geekiness grew, it became a fun hobby—my dad and I collected together. We went to all the NYC conventions and to many San Diego Comic Cons back in the day. Even-

tually, I learned many life lessons about being a collector, trader, negotiator, etc. that help me to this day. To my core, I am just a big kid at heart with a passion.

**There is a huge Jewish contingent of great artists in these genres going back to the early part of the 20th century. Of course, Michael Chabon fans will remember the wonderful book which he wrote called "The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier and Clay," which you and I have both read. But it speaks strongly to how Jewish this industry was back in the day. What's the connection here?**

**Lawrence:** The stories of Superman, Batman, Spider-Man, etc. echo the immigrant experience in general, and the creators' Jewish immigrant experience in particular. In the 1930s and 1940s Jews in America found themselves with unprecedented freedom and opportunity. Still, there were limits, spoken and unspoken, which often pushed them into "second-class" fields, including the comic book industry. From this industry, and largely from the minds of these young American Jews—themselves immigrants or the children of immigrants—emerged the phenomenon of the superhero.

**As I mentioned in my header above, you have an alter ego. Let the mystery unfold. Who is Larry Klein?**

**Lawrence:** HA HA! I have a lot of friends in the industry and try to use my legal skills to help them. Joe Staton is a friend of the family and a great artist. When Tribune Media tapped Joe to be the new creator of the daily Dick Tracy comic strip, he asked me to look at his agreement. In lieu of legal fees I asked him to give me some of the originals. A friend suggested that I be drawn in the background and, to my amazement, Joe created a new character in the Dick Tracy

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# Spotlight On

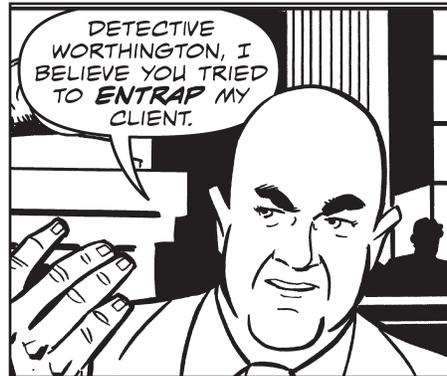
universe based on me: Larry Kleen. Kleen is a mob attorney whose name is a single vowel away from mine and who has the same bald head. Kleen has appeared in numerous story lines since then. Joe told me that Larry Kleen is a pure “what-if?” invention and that he considers me to be nothing like the stereotype of the sinister lawyer.

**Do you have any thoughts or ideas for future projects, exhibits or books, bucket list items, things like that?**

**Lawrence:** I'd still like to curate more exhibits locally and internationally. Many times my life has gone in a direction different from what I had in mind. So I am looking forward to the next twists and turns with my family, some time to take them in, and then making something special of those moments.

**What do you like about KI and what are some of the things we could do to improve the experience there?**

**Lawrence:** It's been such a difficult 18 months and KI has done a terrific job maneuvering during the pandemic. Despite the pandemic, Jacob had a wonderful bar mitzvah experience and Kaetah has already started her bat mitzvah learning,



Larry Kleen or Lawrence Klein?

both in person and virtually. If the Rabbi, Judge Simons, or Jesse Cook-Dubin could rid us of Covid, that would really improve the current KI experience.

**Finally, I do think we know your main hobby, but what can you tell us about things we might not be aware of—other hobbies or interests?**

**Lawrence:** I favor Star Wars over Star Trek, enjoy traveling with Sarah and (sometimes) the kids, providing pro-bono legal work, and finding the best hot chocolate.

**Thank you, Lawrence, this was great. I know our readers will really enjoy the column this month!**



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— Rabbi Jonathan Sacks



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Members of the KI Social Justice Committee are currently distributing food cartons to families in Pittsfield. Carton packers and volunteer drivers are needed. For more information, email Nancy Cook at splynter100@gmail.com.

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Volunteer with the KI Cares Committee. Members phone other members who are in need of a sincere connection. They also rally around others in our congregation who are experiencing illness and help when they can. If interested, contact Fran Wolk at fwolk@att.net.

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#### *Donate to Knesset Israel*

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Samuel Lipschitz  
Sidney Bassen  
Sarah Skoletsky  
Sylvia Bender  
Dorothy Silverman  
Harry Freadman

## 29 CHESHVAN - NOVEMBER 4

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Brian Kriger  
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testifies to that.

— Rabbi Harold S. Kushner



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 presence of  
 God in the  
 world, open  
 to the soul of  
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