Heshvan-Kislev 5774



COMMUNITY



### **WORSHIP** SERVICES

FRIDAY, November 1, 7:30 p.m.

erev Shabbat Service and Continuation of our "Strive for 225" Journey—
We strive to engage and inspire you, our members—and possible new members—by the gem that is Congregation Kol Ami as we are uplifted by the voices of our Adult Choir plus our "First-Friday" blessings in front of the ark for those celebrating their birthdays or anniversaries this month

**SATURDAY, November 2, 10:00 a.m.** *Shabbat* Service and *Torah* Dialogue preceded by a lox-and-bagel breakfast at 9:30 a.m.

### FRIDAY, November 8, 7:30 p.m.

New Member *erev Shabbat* Service when we welcome our new member families to our Kol Ami community as they lead us in the *Kiddush* from the *bimah* 

**SATURDAY, November 9, 10:00 a.m.** *Bat Mitzvah* of Sierra Elkins (see page 6)

**FRIDAY, November 15, 7:30 p.m.** *erev Shabbat* Service with Grade 4 & 5 student participation

**SATURDAY, November 16, 10:00 a.m.** *Shabbat* Service and *Torah* Dialogue

**SUNDAY, November 17, 1:00 p.m.** Healing Service (see page 8)

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# "STOP HUNGER NOW" MEAL PACKAGING PROGRAM SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, AT 10:00 A.M. AT KOL AMI



Stop Hunger Now's mission is "to end hunger in our lifetime by providing food and life-saving aid to the world's most vulnerable and by creating a global commitment to mobilize the necessary resources." The meal-packaging program was created in 2005 and perfected the assembly process that combines rice, soy, dehydrated vegetables, and a flavoring mix including 21 essential vitamins and minerals into

small meal packets. Each meal costs only 25 cents. The food stores easily, has a shelf-life of two years, and transports quickly. Stop Hunger Now works with international partners that ship and distribute the meals in-country.

Join our religious school children and their parents as we volunteer to make 1,000 meal packets. ■



#### **WORSHIP SERVICES**

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### FRIDAY, November 22

<u>6:00 p.m.</u> - "Fun-for-Kids" *erev Shabbat* Service—appropriate for <u>all</u>
ages; it's a happy half hour with lots
of music and our terrific Student
Choir

7:30 p.m. - Interfaith Relationship erev Shabbat Service to celebrate and thank our interfaith couples and families who are in integral part of our Kol Ami community

**SATURDAY, November 23, 10:00 a.m.** *Shabbat* Service and *Torah* Dialogue

FRIDAY, November 29, 7:30 p.m. erev Shabbat Service on the third night of Hanukkah

**SATURDAY, November 30, 10:00 a.m.** *Shabbat* Service and *Torah* Dialogue ■

### **TORAH** & HAFTARAH

**November 2** - *Toledote* Genesis 25:19-28:9, Malachi 1:1-2:7

**November 9** - *Vayetzey* Genesis 28:10-32:3, Hosea 12:13-14:10

November 16 - Vayishlach Genesis 32:4-36:43, Hosea 11:7-12:12

**November 23** - *Vayeshev* Genesis 37:1-40:23, Amos 2:6-3:8

**November 30** - *Mikketz* Genesis 41:1-44:17, First Kings 3:15-4:1 ■

### **CONDOLENCES**

We extend our heartfelt condolences in loving memory of:

#### Lela Besso

aunt of Orly (Gabriel) Maravankin

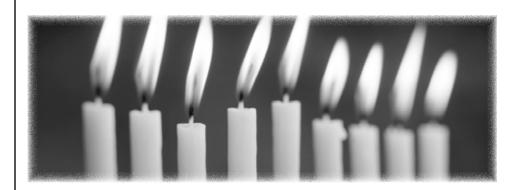
### Albert Joseph

uncle of Orly (Gabriel) Maravankin

### Jerry Schwartz

husband of Marsha Schwartz

May their memories forever be blessings in the midst of our People. ■



# LIGHTING THE CANDLES AND SAYING THE BLESSINGS OVER THE HANUKKIAH

FIRST NIGHT OF HANUKKAH (WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27)

The *shamash*, or serving candle, is lit first and is used to light the other candles every evening. The *shamash* is noticeable because it is situated higher than, or in front of, the other candles. Each night of *Hanukkah*, the candles are placed in the *hanukkiah* from right to left (the same way in which Hebrew is read) but are lit from left to right.

### ON THE FIRST NIGHT ONLY, the Sheh'heh'chiyanu is recited or sung:

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יי אֱל'הֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הַעוֹלָם שֶהֶחֶיָנוּ וְקִיְמָנוּ וְהִגִּיעָנוּ לַזְּמַן הַזֶּה

Baruch Atah Adonai, Eloheinu Melech ha'olam Sheh'heh'chiyanu v'ki'y'manu v'hig'yanu lazmahn hazeh

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, Ruler of the universe, Who has given us life, sustained us, and brought us to this time.

### **ON EACH NIGHT**, the following blessings are recited or sung:

בָּרוּדְ אַתָּה יי אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶדְ הָעוֹלֶם אֲשֶר קִדְּשָנוּ בְּמִצְוֹתָיו וְצִנְּנוּ לְהַדְלִיק גַר שֶל חֲנֻכָּה

> Baruch Atah Adonai, Elohiynu Melech ha'olam asher kid'shanu b'mitzvo'tav v'tzi'vanu l'hadlik neir shel Hanukkah

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, Ruler of the universe, Who sanctifies us through *mitzvot* and commands us to kindle the candles of *Hanukkah*.

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה י אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם שֶעָשָה נִסִּים לַאֲבוֹתֵינוּ בַּיָּמִים הָהֵם בַּוְּמֵן הַזֶּה

Baruch Atah Adonai, Eloheinu Melech ha'olam Sheh'asah neisim l'avo'taynu ha'yameem ha'hame bahz'mahn hazeh

Blessed are You, O Lord our God, Ruler of the universe, Who performed miracles for our ancestors in those days, as at this time.

### FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

Rabbi Elliot J. Holin

In 2003, Peter Beinart's article "The Failure of the American Jewish Establishment" created a buzz among leaders of American Jewish organizations and synagogues, but not as intense as the soul-searching in response to the just-released, October 2013, Pew Research Center's "Portrait of Jewish Americans."

From February 20 through June 13, 2013, Pew conducted a survey on land-line and mobile phones of almost 3,500 Jews across America. Participants in the survey responded on the basis that: a) their religion is Jewish, or b) that aside from religion they consider themselves to be Jewish, or c) that they were raised Jewish or had at least one Jewish parent, even if they do not consider themselves Jewish today.

The survey provides data based upon responses about: connection to and distance from Jewish organizations and Jewish communal networks; marriage, intermarriage and the religious identity of children; religious beliefs and practices; Jewish denominational affiliation; connection with and attitudes toward Israel; social and political views; topics of Jewish affinity. The 212-page report is available online, and selected portions have appeared in the secular and Jewish print media. It is well worth reading. It raises many questions about the Jewish future in America and how we in synagogue life might respond in creative ways to opportunities for engagement with young adults and adults who are choosing cultural, culinary or 'occasional' Judaism through which they engage with other Jews or claim Jewish identity

The survey shows that 70% participated in a *Seder* this past year, and 53% fasted for all or part of *Yom Kippur* in 2012. Are these just 'fly-in Jews' who arrive at timely communal and family events, but are rarely engaged on the Jewish calendar or in Jewish life? Would they be more likely to participate in Jewish holy day celebrations and observe the *Shabbat* as a day of reflection and cessation from secular activities if we offered them a greater appreciation of traditions and practices that might add more meaning to contemporary-life?

Fully 73% say that remembering the Holocaust and leading an ethical life (69%) are essential to their sense of Jewishness. Neither figure impresses me. If the bookends of American Jewish identity are the Holocaust and ethical behavior, we have reason to be concerned. I say this not because Holocaust awareness should be de-emphasized, but because the challenge is how to harness the memory of the Holocaust to a meaningful, positive, engaged Jewish identity today.

As for leading an ethical life, among Jews by religion (JBR), 97% claim that they are "proud to be Jewish," while 87% of Jews of no religion (JNR) make that statement. And 85% of JBR say that they have "a strong sense of belonging to the Jewish people," while among JNR the figure drops to 42%. A diminished sense of peoplehood results in the following, glaring discrepancy: when it comes to having a "special responsibility to care for Jews in need," 71% of JBR affirm it, in contrast to only 36% of JNR. I am concerned that a significant number of Jews—and this is also true among continued page 4

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### **BULLETIN** SUBMISSIONS

Please send articles by the fifth of the previous month (for example, by November 5 for the December issue) to **Janet Falon** at jfalon@english. upenn.edu. Articles may be edited as needed. Photographs/images to be included should be at least 2x3" in size and 300 DPI resolution to ensure good reproduction.

#### FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

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young Jews—devote the majority of their time to non-Jewish causes. If Jews do not care for fellow Jews, who will?

How might our synagogue respond to some of the findings and challenges that the "Portrait of Jewish Americans" presents? Can we create portals that will be 'Jewish connectors' to have Jews meet Jews? How might we more meaningfully engage and involve our interfaith families who are such an important part of Kol Ami? What programs can we offer to re-energize you, our members, as well as drawing people who feel disengaged from Jewish life to the vibrant activities, social events, and conversations that make ours a synagogue that values innovation and emphasizes connection?

I am, as always, eager to hear your thoughts.

Shalom u'vrachah, Rabbi Elliot J. Holin ■

### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

### **Caring Congregants Committee**

Tuesday, November 12, at 6:00 p.m. Co-chairs: Linda George, 215-782-1413, and Elaine Gershenson, 215-887-3994

### Interfaith Relationship Dialogue

Monday, November 18, at 7:30 p.m. Co-chairs: Dan and Linda George, 215-782-1413

### Membership Committee

Monday, November 4, at 7:30 p.m. Co-chairs: Julie Cohen, 215-635-4716, and Robin Warsaw, 215-635-5839

### **Operations Committee**

Thursday, November 7, at 7:30 p.m. Co-chairs: Guy Appel, 215-938-9330, and Jeremy Wintroub, 215-906-9063

### Spiritual Growth Group

Monday, November 11, at 7:00 p.m. Co-chairs: Natalie Dyen, 215-657-4124, and Janet Falon, 215-635-1698 ■

### PRESIDENT'S LETTER

arly October saw the publication of the first-ever independent study of American Jews, conducted by the Pew Research Center. By now, I suspect you have read about how the Jewish community is evolving. The overall trend indicates that younger Jews have little connection to Jewish practice while also feeling strong cultural connections. When David Hyman addressed us at the Friday, October 4, *erev Shabbat*, he talked about the challenge of how comfortable we have become.

In many respects, we are in a golden age for Judaism in the United States. We can live our lives in nearly any way we choose. There is no threat to our practice of Judaism. Perhaps it is this lack of threat that has our smart, young adults making the choices that feel right, rather than the choice to support the practice of Judaism, to marry within the faith and support the synagogue.

We can sit back and lament trends that are larger than any of us, or we can say, "Sh'lah'chaynee - Send me!" Send me to do what we can to accept this challenge and find ways for our Jewish community to connect and reconnect to the synagogue, to deeper knowledge of our faith and to Jewish practice.

We have two exciting Friday-night services connected to membership this month that can further this connection. November 1 is both First-Friday *erev Shabbat*, when we celebrate our special blessings, and **Strive for 225** *erev Shabbat*. Our Membership committee needs your help, and this is a way for you to accept the challenge. Come hear more about how you can get involved in helping us find and draw unaffiliated families into Kol Ami and experience the special Reform Judaism experience we have here. The better we do, the more we all contribute to changing the trends in the Pew study.

The following Friday, November 8, is our New Member *erev Shabbat*. I very much look forward to breaking bread and worshipping with all the families who have joined in the last year and a half and foresee a huge turnout. The next day, we all can celebrate a ritual that makes the Jewish people so very special when we join Sierra Elkins and her family on her *bat mitzvah*.

Later this month, in a strange twist of the calendar, we get to combine the joys of *Hanukkah* with celebration of Thanksgiving. BuzzFeed Food (http://www.buzzfeed.com/christinebyrne/thanksgivukkah) has a wonderful set of funny recipes if you had the thought to combine the festivities into a single meal. Whether you do or don't, take the opportunity to teach your children a bit more about *Hanukkah* and what we are celebrating.

Lastly, early in October—the same week the Pew study was published—we had a special Sunday morning Consecration service for our eight new religious school students, attended by the whole religious school and many parents. As I looked around the room at these wonderful blessings, I thought of how true the Rabbi's words were then, and now: This is our future. Teach your children well about Judaism, give them the experience of *bar* or *bat mitzvah*, confirmation academy, and I.M. Wise, send them to Camp Harlam and to Israel. Continue to learn with them. And we will have each done our part in our world to set our young children and young adults on a rich Jewish path.

Jeff Cohen

215-635-3232, president@kolamielkinspark.org ■

### Adult Learning Opportunities at Kol Ami

# Continuing Jewish Education

# The Wisdom of "Pebbles of Wisdom" by Rabbi Adin Steinsaltz (Part Two)

Instructor: Rabbi Elliot Holin

Tuesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.

November 5, 12 & 19



Born in Jerusalem in 1937, Steinsaltz studied mathematics, physics, and chemistry at Hebrew University in addition to rabbinic studies. An Orthodox rabbi, renowned as a teacher, philosopher, and spiritual guide, he has devoted his life to making the *Talmud* accessible to all Jews. This book is a collection of his "pebbles of wisdom"

from more than 30 years of his lectures and writings about life, awareness, and faith.

The course discussion about Steinsaltz's writings will continue at the request of our recently concluded April class participants, though you need not have been with us before to join us now. We reflect on his thoughts that resonate in us, and talk about how they are manifest in our lives. We will explore topic headings: "The Nature of *Torah*," "The *Mitzvot*: Understanding God's Commandments," "Kabbalah," "Struggles, Battles and Trials," "Suffering," and "Evil."

Please acquire a copy of his book in advance of the course. RSVP to the Synagogue Office by November 1.

### Hebrew 101

Instructor: Mr. David Monblatt Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. November 7, 14 & 21; December 5, 12 & 19 (6 Sessions)

Hebrew 101 is a six-week, beginner-level Hebrew course. If you never learned to read Hebrew or if it's been so long that you're rusty or just plain forgot how, this course might be for you! For religious-school parents, Hebrew 101 will offer a variety of learning methodologies, activities, and pointers to help you help your children. By the end of this course, students will be able to identify all Hebrew letters and vowels, recognize the sounds of all letters and vowels, and read with proficiency.

RSVP to the Synagogue Office by November 1.



# Ancestors and Ghosts, Spirit Guides, and Reincarnating Souls: Ancient Mystery and Contemporary Meaning of Afterlife in Jewish Traditions

Instructor: Rabbi Simcha Raphael Monday evenings from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. November 25; December 2, 9 & 16 (4 Sessions)

This is an exploration of Jewish afterlife texts spanning three millennia of history. As travelers through time, we will enter the worlds of *Torah*, *Talmud*, *Midrash*, *Zohar*, and Hasidic tales investigating diverse ways Jews have understood the enigmatic mystery of death and the world beyond.

Searching for spiritual renewal of traditional teachings, we will use these texts for reflection and discussion, discovering practical guidelines for responding to the human encounter with death — personally, and in our families and communities.

RSVP to the synagogue office by November 15. ■

### **Registration Instructions**

To register for a workshop, contact Elaine Stevens at execdir@kolamielkinspark.org by the deadline shown.

Non-member course fees are \$50 per course.

Course fees can be applied to membership for the current year or forthcoming year.

### **BAT MITZVAH OF SIERRA ELKINS**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, AT 10:00 A.M.



Sierra is in the seventh grade at Abington Junior High School. Her favorite subjects are history because it helps her connect to her family's heritage and music because she knows how to play guitar and to sing multi-cultural songs. Her extracurricular activities include

chorus, track, and Kiwanis Kids (K-Kids). K-Kids is a worldwide organization that helps children, and her school has a carnival to raise money to buy things for kids in need.

"I enjoy being Jewish because of food such as potato *latkes* and *hamantashen* that I make with my Dad and Grandma. I also enjoy dancing the *Hora!* It's a fun dance that my relatives have done. I am also one of the few girls in my Dad's family who has had a *Bat Mitzyah*.

"My favorite prayers are the *V'ahavtah* and the *G'vurote*. The *V'ahavtah's* theme is love of God and passing down the teachings, traditions, and values of our faith. It speaks about the importance of the Jewish tradition as a way of life, and this is what I plan to do with my future family.

"The *G'vurote* affirms God's power to inspire and save, and that is a great goal that I hope to accomplish one

day by helping people who need support but do not have what we have.

"One of my most powerful Jewish experiences occurred at the funeral of my great-aunt Ruth. It was sad, but it was also the celebration of her long life, and it expressed how much we miss her. I was very close to her. The service was memorable because losing someone for whom you care so much is difficult. The service was very peaceful and memorable, and I had the opportunity to say some words.

"I was motivated to study for my *Bat Mitzvah* by my grandmom Sue. She explained to me how fortunate I would be to celebrate my *Bat Mitzvah* because she was not able to have one because it was not common for her and other young women to do so at the time. I was also motivated by realizing that I will become 'the daughter of the commandment' and will be even more motivated to continue my Jewish studies, to continue our traditions and pass them on to my own family when I am older.

"I chose to chant verses from Genesis 28:16-21 and 31:25-30 because I found the story about Jacob's dream as well as his relationship with his uncle, Laban, to be very interesting."

We congratulate Sierra's father, Scott; her mother, Christine; and her grandmother, Sue. ■

BELOW: THE KOLAMI JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP TAKE A BREAK FROM DECORATING THEIR SUKKAH ON SEPTEMBER 15 TO ENJOY SOME AUTUMN TREATS.



# Religious School Happenings

### JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP HANUKKAH COOKIE PARTY

Sunday, November 24, from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. At the home of Gabby Wexler in Huntingdon Valley

Get ready for *Hanukkah* at the Grade 4 and 5 *Hanukkah* Cookie Blast! Join us for an afternoon of *Hanukkah* fun. We'll be rolling out, baking, decorating (and, of course, eating) delicious *Hanukkah* cookies. Bake some to take home and share! We'll also be enjoying other *Hanukkah* treats, singing songs, and playing *Hanukkah* games.

Watch for a flyer coming home from religious school.

### HANUKKAH CANDLES

Make your holiday season "brighter"!

The Religious School PTO is selling boxes of *Hanukkah* candles. Each box contains 44 candles and are available at \$4.00 per box in Congregation Kol Ami's lobby on <u>Sunday</u>, <u>November 3, 10, and 17.</u>

### **UPCOMING PTO EVENTS**

November 5: White Elephant Dine Around November 17: Pancake Breakfast (see below) December 15, March 30, April 27: PTO Bake Sale December 8, January 12: PTO Meeting at 10:15 a.m.

### **KOL AMI SCRIP**

Please help raise money for Congregation Kol Ami just by continuing to do your weekly shopping. Scrip is available every week, and we take orders in \$50 and \$100 increments. Plus...CREEKSIDE CO-OP IS NOW OFFERING SCRIP! Also, with an early (November!) *Hanukkah*, it's not too early to start thinking about holiday gifts, and scrip cards are an excellent way to give to your loved ones. Here are just a few of the various stores and services available:

Amazon.com., iTunes, Old Navy, the Gap, Barnes & Noble, T.J. Maxx, Marshall's, the Disney Store, Avis, Banana Republic, Best Western, Target, Comfort Suites, Cheesecake Factory, GameStop, Bed Bath & Beyond, PetSmart, Dick's Sporting Goods, Visa, Home Depot, Lowe's, Regal Entertainment, Panera, Sears, Acme, Giant Foods, Best Buy, L.L. Bean, Journeys, Claire's, Talbots, Toys "R" Us

There are more than 600 additional retailers and services. Each retailer has allocated a percentage (from 2 to 15) which Kol Ami gets back from each order placed.

Kol Ami's Scrip program is available for everyone in the congregation. Order forms are available in the religious school office or executive office. See Kenny Moss (glatter. moss@comcast.net), co-chair of the Religious School PTO, for details or if you have questions.



### **KOL AMI PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

Sunday, November 17, at 9:00 a.m. 8201 High School Road, Elkins Park

Start your day right! Come on out for a hearty breakfast and visit with friends before religious school. We'll be serving pancakes, coffee,tea, fresh fruit, and juice!

In advance: Single \$5 / Family \$20 At the door: Single \$7 / Family \$25

RSVP to Elaine Stevens by Friday, November 15, at 215-635-3110 or execdir@kolamielkinspark.org.

**BRING YOUR FRIENDS: OPEN TO EVERYONE!** 

### Kol Ami Events

### FIRST-FRIDAY EREV SHABBAT SERVICE

for November Birthday & Anniversary Blessings Friday, November 1, at 7:30 p.m.



If you or someone in your family is celebrating a birthday or anniversary in November, please join us at our special *erev Shabbat* service. Rabbi Holin will bless everyone with an November *simcha* under a *tallit* in front of the ark. Watch

for your invitation for this special Shabbat simcha.

Rabbi Holin will continue to send personal letters to everyone celebrating a significant birthday or anniversary ending with 0 or 5 (for example, 40, 45). If you have a special 0 or 5 birthday or anniversary, you will be invited to participate in any Friday service in "your" month by blessing the candles or *challah*, or reciting the *Kiddush*, or at any Saturday service that month by carrying or blessing the *Torah*.

### **FASTS THIS MONTH AND NEXT**



NATAL (nah'tahl), the Israel Trauma Center for Victims of Terror and War, addresses post-traumatic stress disorder of combat veterans and former prisoners of war, as well as those who have lost loved ones in battle or suicide bombings, and anyone who suffers the sustained emotional and mental pressure of living with the fear and uncertainty that war and the threat of war bring. In addition,

**NATAL** reaches out to families and relatives of victims and bereaved families through on-site counseling, a national hotline, and free or subsidized psychological assistance and treatment by highly trained professionals. Forthcoming fast days on behalf of NATAL will be on **Tuesday, November 5** and **Tuesday, December 3**.

Phast for Philadelphia is on behalf of unemployed workers in Philadelphia who are struggling to make ends meet by helping them pay their mortgages, address health care needs, and pay electric bills. Forthcoming Phast for Philadelphia fast days will be on and Thursday, November 21, and Thursday, December 19.

Join our rabbi in a fast—or virtual fast, no matter where you are—by sending funds that you would have spent on food to help people in need:

#### American Friends of NATAL

1120 Avenue of the Americas, Fourth Floor New York, NY 10036

### **Unemployment Information Center**

112 N. Broad Street, 11th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19102 (make check payable to Unemployment Information Center with a memo note "Philadelphia Unemployment Office")

#### SPIRITUAL GROWTH GROUP

Studies with Carol Nemeroff Monday, November 11, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

The Spiritual Growth Group continues its studies with Carol Nemeroff and extends an invitation for you to join them. Participation at the earlier sessions is NOT required to attend now; each session is unique and stands on its own.

Please come and check out what the group's doing. Everyone is welcome. You also don't have to be "religious" or well-versed in Jewish prayer or practice to fit in.

If you have any questions, contact SGG co-leaders Janet Falon (jfalon@english.upenn.edu) or Natalie Dyen (nat.dyen@verizon.net).

### **HEALING SERVICE**

Sunday, November 17, at 1:00 p.m.

Our tradition offers moving and powerful prayers for loved ones in hospitals, recovering at home, or in hospice care, and for ourselves as well: healers who are in need of healing, and those in mourning. This brief worship service includes the *Mi'Shehbeirach* ("May The Holy One Who blesses...") prayer as well as the hope that we will find *menuchah* ("tranquility") within ourselves.

### "ISH" GAME NIGHT

Saturday, December 7, at 7:00 p.m. Home of Nigel Blower and Julie Cohen

Have a good laugh playing games with your friends, everything from Pictionary to Charades—guaranteed to be fun!

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### Thai Guisine

759 Huntingdon Pike, Huntingdon Valley, PA (215) 663-1495

Friends & Families of Congregation Kol Ami Looking for a tasty dinner suggestion? Stop by between the hours 5:00 - 9:30 p.m.

## Tuesday, November 5, 2013

Bring a copy of this flyer to White Elephant and 20% of your "dinner menu" order total will be generously donated back to Kol Ami. White Elephant has wonderful food and a cozy dining area. Stop in for dinner or take-out your order & bring it back home.



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### KOL AMI EVENTS: ISH GAME NIGHT (continued from page 8)

Please bring your favorite game (if you have one) and hors d'oeuvres or dessert to share. BYOB. Contact Sherry Cohen at 215-885-2436 or shcohen361@verizon.net



"NO MORE DEPRIVATION...GIVING OUR BODIES WHAT WE NEED" Sunday, December 8, at 11:00 a.m. Presented by Sally Eisenberg

### Nourish Ur Life: A holistic approach

Sally practices a holistic approach to nutrition, which means that she looks at how all areas of your life are connected. Does stress at your job or in your relationship cause you to overeat? Does lack of sleep or low energy prevent you from exercising? As she works together with her clients, she looks at how all parts of her client's life affect the whole.

When athletes want a competitive edge, they hire a private coach to track their progress. According to Dr. Andrew Weil, "when it comes to your health, using the athlete/coach mind-set could also be beneficial. Health coaches are increasingly being hired by corporations to help employees stay healthy and by individuals seeking to improve well-being. In some ways, the health coach picks up where your physician leaves off, helping you to implement wellness strategies suggested after a check-up or diagnosis."

### No one diet works for everyone

The concept of bio-individuality is that each person has their own nutritional needs. So, when the experts say, "dairy is good for you" or "fat is unhealthy," it's too much of a generalization. One person's food is another person's poison, and that's why fad diets don't work in the long run. Sally will look at your age, health, activity level, blood type, metabolic rate, and personal preferences to determine your dietary needs.

### Everything is food

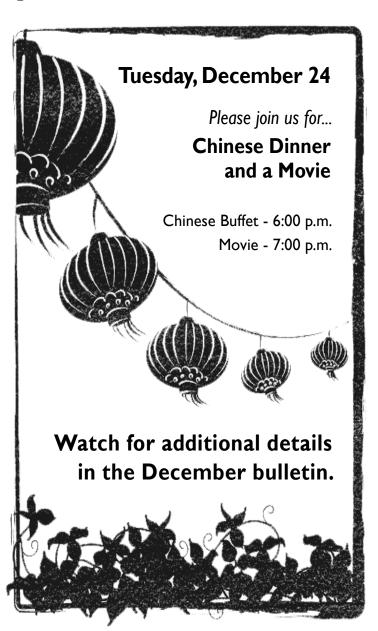
Healthy relationships, a fulfilling career, regular physical activity, and a spiritual practice are essential forms of nourishment. When these "primary foods" are balanced, what you eat becomes secondary.

Recently dubbed the "Queen of Quinoa," by writer Sally Friedman of the <u>Philadelphia Inquirer</u>, Sally Eisenberg is

a certified holistic health coach and founder of Nourish Ur Life—a nutrition/healthy-lifestyle practice located in Center City Philadelphia. As a multi-media artist, Sally has always been passionate about food and healthy living and integrating nutritional counseling with her artistic vision.

In addition to working with private clients, Sally offers cooking classes out of her home, empowering her attendees to cook healthfully in their OWN kitchens. Her classes bring out the FUN and DELICIOUSNESS in "healthy" while creating community among her participants.

You can also find Nourish Ur Life on Facebook at www. facebook.com/NourishUrLife and follow her on Twitter @NourishUrLife.



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Saturday, January 11, 2014 7pm - 11pm Congregation Kol Ami קול עמי

WINNINGS PROVIDED AS RAFFLE TICKETS FOR FANTASTIC PRIZES!

\$30/person in advance

\$40 at the door

Tickets include \$25 in gaming chips, open bar, light fare and dessert

#### FOR TICKETS:

Send your check to Congregation Kol Ami, 8201 High School Road, Elkins Park, PA 19027 with "Casino Night" on the memo line.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sharon Myers at 215-460-0602 or sharonmyers381@gmail.com









ABOVE: THE KOLAMI SENIOR YOUTH GROUP ENJOYED A NIGHT OF BOWLING IN OCTOBER. CAN YOU GUESS WHO THREW THE MOST STRIKES?

### ARTIST OF THE MONTH: GARY SAN PIETRO FROM OCTOBER 22 TO NOVEMBER 25

Gary received his first camera in 1971 as a birthday gift from his artist wife. Looking at the world through his viewfinder made him quickly appreciate the inherent beauty of common, everyday objects—things that he had been passing by his entire life, but had rarely taken time to pause at and truly observe.



Inspired by his inclusion in the Queens Museum of Art's inaugural exhibition and his passion around image-making, Gary left his job in construction management in 1975 to pursue his photography full time. He has since displayed his work at numerous galleries and over 700 art fairs, receiving top prizes at many of our country's most prestigious shows.

His photographs are included in the collections of more than 100 corporations and institutions, among them GE, GlaxoSmithKline, IBM, NBC, Vanguard, Fox Chase Cancer Center, and the Portuguese Embassy. They have also appeared on magazine, book, and album covers.

Gary's images run the gamut from vivid abstracts and architectural compositions to striking close-ups of flowers, nature, and landscapes made throughout the United States, Mexico, the Caribbean, and much of Western Europe. He recently began exploring studio compositions incorporating painted drop cloths and roses.

Originally from Queens, NY, Gary moved to the Philadelphia area in 1977. His home and studio overlook Tookany Creek in Elkins Park, where he also does matting and framing for other artists and local residents. A broad cross-section of his work can be seen at www.garysanpietro.com.

The Kol Ami gallery hours are Wednesday from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Sunday from 10:00 a.m. to noon. If the Religious School is closed on those days, the gallery is closed as well. Also, all of Gary's works are for sale, and a portion of the proceeds are donated to the synagogue. See Elaine Stevens if interested in purchasing a piece.

# Social Action Opportunities

### HANUKKAH WEEK OF GIVING

Consider giving to any or all of these three special activities for the holidays:

### WINTER CLOTHING DRIVE

Please donate your gently used or new winter coats, jackets, hats, gloves, scarves, warm socks (must be new) to those in need. Bring your items to the synagogue during November (and December) and they will be donated. Adult and children clothing are also accepted.

### HANUKKAH FOOD DRIVE

Bring any or all of the following by November 24:

Applesauce, bag of fresh potatoes, candles, canned vegetables, chocolate gelt, cooking oil, dreidels, grape juice, *latke* mix, and matzo ball soup mix.

Kosher and low-sodium products are appreciated. The collection point is in the Religious School hallway. Food is donated to the *Mitzvah* Food Pantry.

### CONCERN: DO A MITZVAH THIS HANUKKAH!

Give a foster child a gift through our holiday-giving program. CONCERN is a not-for-profit, non-denominational foster care agency that works with children in Southeastern Pennsylvania and Maryland.

We have been collecting gifts for foster children through our Religious School for several years. Last year, Kol Ami collected over \$1,300 in cash and gifts. The children have little of their own and are grateful for whatever we can give them. Look for a flyer from the Religious School with a "wish list" from the child assigned to your child's class. Please send in gifts, cash, or gift cards, but NO checks please.

The deadline is <u>December 8</u>. Ruth Hausen (215-570-9802 or ruthhausen@comcast.net) will go shopping that day. If anyone would like to help with the shopping, please meet Ruth at 1:30 p.m. at Toys"R"Us in Willow Grove and bring any coupons that you may have. ■

### ONGOING VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

We're always looking for helping hands to assist with these three food-focused events:

### **COOK FOR A FRIEND**

Sunday, November 10, from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m.

Join us at the Kol Ami kitchen as we cook up a delicious, nutritious batch of soup! We will make at least 100 servings, to be packed up and delivered later to homebound seniors.

This is done in partnership with the Klein JCC's "Cook for a Friend" program.

Please RSVP and direct questions to Ronit Sugar at 215-208-7027 or ronitsugar@gmail.com.

### JEWISH RELIEF AGENCY (www.jewishrelief.org)

Sunday, November 17, at 10:00 a.m. 10980 Dutton Road, Philadelphia, PA Help sort, pack, and deliver food to needy families

JRA food distributions take place one Sunday each month at their warehouse in Northeast Philadelphia. Volunteers work together to package kosher, non-perishable food in boxes. After packing, volunteers load their cars and deliver the food packages to each of the recipient families according to pre-determined delivery routes, complete with driving directions and maps. Most delivery routes take between 30 to 60 minutes to complete.

If you're interested, directions to the JRA Distribution Center can be found at http://www.jewishrelief.org/directions.asp.

**Questions:** Contact Shelley Chamberlain at 215-635-1738 or Ronit Sugar at 215-635-0390. ■

### SAVE THE DATE: **SHARE FOOD PROGRAM**

Sunday, December 15, at 1:00 p.m. 2901 West Hunting Park Avenue, Philadelphia

Help Philadelphia families enjoy a holiday meal by packing holiday food boxes. This is a great activity for the whole family, ages 8 and up.

THE DATES ARE SET FOR...

# CONGREGATION KOL AMI TRIPS TO ISRAEL IN 2014 WITH RABBI HOLIN FOR YOU, YOUR FAMILY, AND FRIENDS –

IN AND BEYOND THE CONGREGATION

To receive a complete itinerary, pricing, and information about flights, hotels, and meals for the Family Trip in August 2014 or the Adult Trip in October 2014, please contact Rabbi Holin at 215-635-4182.

### 2014 ISRAEL ADULT TRIP

### Leave Philadelphia on Sunday, October 19; return on Thursday, October 30

(Night flight from Philadelphia to Tel Aviv at 9:30 p.m. on Sunday, October 19, arriving in Tel Aviv on Monday, October 20, at 3:30 p.m.; return night flight from Tel Aviv on Wednesday, October 29, at 11:30 p.m., arriving in Philadelphia on Thursday, October 30, at 5:15 a.m.)

Monday, October 20 – Tel Aviv (Carlton Hotel on the beach)

- · Arrive in Israel mid-afternoon
- Take an evening walk along the beach to Tel Aviv's new harbor to enjoy a Welcome-to-Israel dinner by the Mediterranean Ocean

**Tuesday, October 21** – Tel Aviv (Carlton Hotel on the beach)

- Visit the Rabin Museum to explore the history of the modern State of Israel and the life of Yitzchak Rabin
- See the Gachal-Machal exhibit at the Palmach Museum, dedicated to those who spilled off of ships that ran the British Blockage and those who came from internment camps in Cyprus to fight for Israel's independence
- Browse the open-air arts-and-crafts street fair of Nachalat Binyamin
- · Enjoy free time to relax and swim in the Mediterranean
- Eat dinner at a Blackout Restaurant served in a completely dark environment by blind waiters, followed by theatre at Na Laga'at (Please Do Touch), a play performed by Israelis who are deaf and blind





Wednesday, October 22 – Tzefat [Safed] (Ruth Rimonim Hotel)

- Visit Zichron Ya'akov, a lovely refurbished town that dates back to the 1800s
- · See the Museum of the First Aliya
- Tour Yemin Orde Youth Village and its Educational and Absorption Center dedicated to giving at-risk youth high-quality care and education: home to 500 immigrant children, ages 6-19 from around the world, the majority from Ethiopia
- Stop in at Zippori, one of the main centers of the ancient Sanhedrin, and see some of Israel's historic mosaic floors
- Travel to Safed, the seat of Jewish mysticism in Israel and a magnet for spiritual searchers

**Thursday, October 23** – Tzefat [Safed] (Ruth Rimonim Hotel)

- Ascend Golan Heights that overlooks Israel's Hula Valley
- Tour the Valley of Tears, site of a major tank battle in the Yom Kippur War of 1973, that overlooks the Israel-Syrian border
- Visit El Rom to experience a unique presentation of the story of Brigade 7 fighting on the Golan, stopping the Syrian Army during the Yom Kippur War
- Meet with soldiers of the IDF to hear their thoughts about army life and life in Israel
- Enjoy a wine tasting at the Assaf Winery where seven different types of grapes are grown for wine
- Return to Safed to wander its narrow, winding streets;
   visit its small synagogues; and browse artists' galleries

Friday, October 24 – Jerusalem (Leonardo Plaza Hotel)

- Travel to Tiberias and visit the tombs of Maimonedes, Rabbi Akiva, and other famous sages
- Check out the observation point overlooking Jericho and view the Dead Sea and mountains of Moab in the distance
- Visit Kasser El Yahud, a beautiful monastery and the site where the Israelites crossed the Jordan River on their way to the Promised Land



- Ascend to Jerusalem onto Mount Scopus, site of Hebrew University and Hadassah Hospital
- Attend welcome Shabbat at the Kotel (Western Wall)

#### Saturday, October 25 – Jerusalem (Leonardo Plaza Hotel)

- Take a walking tour of the Old City of Jerusalem, starting at Jaffa Gate to Mount Zion and the site traditionally viewed as the Tomb of King David
- Visit the room of the Last Supper, the Christian Quarter, Via Dolorossa and the Stations of the Cross, the Church of the Holy Sepulchre
- Continue our walk through Mishkenot Shananeem, the first Jewish neighborhood outside the walls of the Old City, developed by Moses Montefiore
- Enjoy the Sound and Light Spectacular Show at David's Tower in the evening

### Sunday, October 26 – Jerusalem (Leonardo Plaza Hotel)

- Take a docent-led tour of the Knesset
- Tour the Supreme Court
- See the Chagall Windows at Hadassah Medical Center
- Choose one of the following two activities:
  - Visit the Israel Museum
  - Return to the Old City, visit the Davidson Center and its computerized visual of the Temple as it looked in ancient times, and then enjoy shopping in the Jewish Quarter and adjacent areas of the Old City

### **Monday, October 27** – Jerusalem (Leonardo Plaza Hotel) Choose <u>one</u> of the following two activities:

 Take a taxi to Yad Vashem to tour the archive center, memorial, and museum dedicated to those who fell during the Holocaust, and visit the adjacent Har Herzl military cemetery where Theodor Herzl, elected leaders of Israel, and those who died defending the State of Israel are buried

- Take a bus ride and travel south to visit these four sites:
  - Etzion Bloc (Gush Etzion) to tour one of four West Bank settlements that played a critical role in the defense of Jerusalem during the War of Independence
  - Efrat, a community south of Jerusalem, to meet with local residents and hear about their experiences and politics
  - Kfar Tzion to see a documentary about the struggle of the Gush Etzion settlements during the Jordanian invasion
  - Herodian (at the edge of the Judean Desert) to see a fortified mountain palace built by Herod—and named after himself—that played a significant role during the revolt against the Romans in 66-77CE; in the lower part of Herodian is the remnant of a luxurious palace that was constructed at the center of a large garden and contained impressive buildings, a bathhouse, and pools.

### **Tuesday, October 28** – Jerusalem (Leonardo Plaza Hotel)

- Head into the Negev to Beersheva (one of Israel's largest absorption centers for new immigrants from the former Soviet Union and Ethiopia) and to Sde Boker to see where David ben Gurion lived and where he is buried
- Visit a solar-energy farm, view a short movie that explains the techniques, and see energy-saving ideas and techniques made real
- Arrive at Mizpe Ramon—the biggest crater in the world and
  of considerable geological interest with diverse wildlife in
  their natural habitat (snakes, oxen, wolves, leopards, and
  herds of ibex and gazelle)—and meet one of the country's
  experts on deserts, who will descend with us by Jeep to the
  heart of the Ramon Crater to study the botany, zoology,
  paleontology, and geology of the region
  Note: Mizpe Ramon is dedicated to the memory of astronaut
  llan Ramon, killed on the reentry accident of the Columbia
  mission in 2003.

### Wednesday, October 29 - Night flight to Philadelphia

- Participate in a unique exploration and learning experience about the Temple's glorious past at Emek Zurim and the Temple Mount Sifting Project
- Visit the site of a strategic fortification that saw hand-tohand combat between Israeli paratroopers and Jordanian legionnaires at Givat-Hatahmoshet (Ammunition Hill), the main Jordanian outpost on the Jerusalem front during the War of Independence, which was critical to Israel's drive to reclaim the Old City and reunify Jerusalem
- Pay respects in Arazim Park at a monument dedicated to the victims of the 9/11/2001 World Trade Center attacks, which was built from the original metal pieces brought from the remains of the Twin Towers and lists the names of all those who died
- Return to hotel for late checkout: the remainder of the day is yours for last-minute shopping prior to dinner on the way to the airport

To receive a complete itinerary, pricing, and information about flights, hotels, and meals for our Family Trip to Israel in August 2014 as well as our Adult Trip to Israel in October 2014, please contact Rabbi Holin at 215-635-4182.

### HIGH HOLY DAY APPEAL

Thank you to the following individuals for the generosity during the High Holy Day Appeal:

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We greatly appreciate the support of the following members of *Yediday* Kol Ami, which raises funds to support our Synagogue:

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For more information about *Yediday* Kol Ami, please contact Elaine Stevens at 215-635-3110 or execdir@kolamielkinspark.org. ■

BELOW: KOL AMI'S THREE-YEAR-OLD NURSERY KIDS PRESENT THEIR SUKKAH.



	Saturday  2 Shabbat Service and Torah Dialogue 10:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m Lox-and-bagel breakfast	9 Bat Mitzvah of Sierra Elkins 10:00 a.m.
GLANCE	Priday  Nursery School erev Shabbat Service 11:00 a.m. "First-Friday" erev Shabbat Service and Continuation of our "Strive for 225" Journey 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir participation	Nursery School erev Shabbat Service with Cantorial Soloist Rebecca Schwartz 11:00 a.m. "New Member" erev Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m. 6:45 p.m Catered dinner
3 AT A	Thursday	7 Continuing Adult Jewish Education with David Monblatt 7:00 p.m. Operations Committee Meeting 7:30 p.m.
OVEMBER 2013 AT A GLANCE	Wednesday	6 Nursery School Jewish Programming 9:30 a.m. Continuing Adult Jewish Education with Rabbi Bogot 10:00 a.m. Religious School 4:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.
Z	Tuesday	5 No Nursery School Teacher In-Service Continuing Adult Jewish Education with Rabbi Holin 7:30 p.m.
KOL AMI	Monday	4 Membership Committee Meeting 7:30 p.m.
	Sunday	Student Trope Class 9:00 a.m. Religious School 10:00 a.m. to Noon 10:00 a.m "Stop Hunger Now Program" 12:00 p.m Student Choir Rehearsal Adult Choir Rehearsal 10:25 a.m.

#### Shabbat Service and Shabbat Service and Torah Dialogue Torah Dialogue 0:00 a.m. KOL AMI NOVEMBER 2013 AT A GLANCE (CONTINUED) Student Choir Participation Interfaith Relationship erev Shabbat Service erev Shabbat Service erev Shabbat Service erev Shabbat Service with Cantorial Soloist erev Shabbat Service with Grade 4 and 5 Rebecca Schwartz 6:45 p.m. - BYOD **Nursery School Nursery School** "Fun-for-Kids" 11:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. Students 6:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. with David Monblatt with David Monblatt **Jewish Education Jewish Education** Continuing Adult Continuing Adult 7 1:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m. Jewish Programming Wednesday Religious School Religious School Jewish Education with Rabbi Bogot Continuing Adult **Nursery School** 10:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. Caring Congregants Committee Meeting Jewish Education Jewish Education Continuing Adult Continuing Adult with Rabbi Holin with Rabbi Holin **Nursery School** Nursery School 6:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. Spiritual Growth Group with Carol Nemeroff Interfaith Relationship Monday Home of Dan and **Nursery School** -inda George Dialogue 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 9:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m. - Student Choir 12:00 p.m. - Student Choir Social Action Committee PANCAKE BREAKFAST Adult Choir Rehearsal Adult Choir Rehearsal Student Trope Class "Cook for a Friend" 10:00 a.m. to Noon 10:00 a.m. to Noon Sunday Religious School **Religious School** Healing Service 0:25 a.m. Rehearsal 10:00 a.m. 0:25 a.m. **3ehearsal** 3:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m.

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Shabbat Service and

No Nursery School

**Thanksgiving** 

No Nursery School Thanksgiving

FIRST NIGHT OF

**Nursery School** 

**Nursery School** 

9:30 a.m.

9:30 a.m.

with Rabbi Raphael

7:30 p.m.

Continuing Adult Jewish Education

HANUKKAH

No Religious School

erev Hanukkah

30

Torah Dialogue

erev Shabbat Service 7:30 p.m.

### **Kol Ami Contributions**

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### **ADULT EDUCATION FUND**

In Honor of:

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### **ARTS & CULTURE FUND**

In Honor of:

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The Adult Choir

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Rabbi Holin's work with Talia on her *Bat Mitzvah* 

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TO:



# Support Kol Ami's Nursery School



Federation Early Learning Services (FELS), our preschool partner, has been successful over the past several

years raising additional dollars via the United Way of Southeastern Pennsylvania's Donor Option Program.

Many of you are already contributing to the United Way individually or through your workplace campaign. FELS would like to expand their donor option outreach to members of Congregation Kol Ami. The funds would be used to support the preschool program to more fully develop enrichment programs (early literacy, music, sign language, etc.) or to offset deficits that may be incurred.

Involvement in FELS United Way campaign is an ideal way for us to show support of the Congregation without undermining any of our fund-raising campaigns.

We hope you will designate the FELS as your United Way donor choice.

### FELS' donor option numbers are:

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