

Congregation Kol Ami E Koleinu April 10, 2013 30 Nisan 5773

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Worship Services

Please join us for Shabbat Services
"Celebration of Israel"
Friday, April 12, 2013 at 8:00 pm.
Services will be led by Rabbi Denise L. I

Services are free and everyone is welc



Religious School Family I
Sunday, April 14 201
9:00 am Breakfast
Plan to stay and learn with yo

There is still time to sign up and

**JEWISH WORLD WATCH
7TH ANNUAL WALK TO END GENC**

Calendar

Wednesday, April 10, 2013

7:00 pm Intro to Judaism Class

Friday, April 12, 2013

8:00 pm Shabbat Services with Rabbi
Denise Eger

Saturday, April 13, 2013

10:00 am Torah Study with Rabbi Eger
12:15 pm HIV Lunch with Rabbi Eger

Sunday, April 14, 2013

9:00 am Walk to End Genocide
9:00 am Religious school breakfast
9:30 am Religious school Family Day

Wednesday, April 17, 2013

7:00 pm Intro to Judaism Class

Thursday, April 18, 2013

12:00 pm Lunch 'N Learn with Rabbi Eger

Friday, April 19, 2013

8:00 pm Shabbat services with Cantor Saltzman and Ritual Committee

Sunday, April 21, 2013

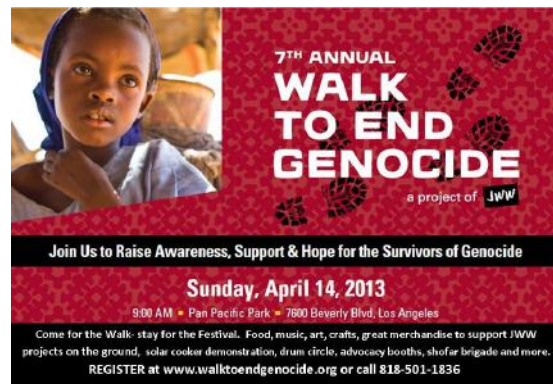
9:30 am Religious School

Refuah Schlemah

Please keep the following people in your prayers:
Lowell Selvin, Bob Weiner

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

Kol Ami's Almost Annual Membership Directory will resume publication in 2013. Please print, complete, and fax back this form to **323/606-0997**. [Membership Update Form 2013](#)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR GAME NIGHT AT TRIANGLE SQUARE

Sunday, April 14, 2013 9:00 am
Pan Pacific Park
7600 Beverly Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA

Join Team Kol Ami in taking one step closer to a world with each step you take at the Walk, you shelter a child with the means to support her family, or give a man the means to support his family, or give a woman the means to support her family. With each step, you take a step closer to ending genocide.

For more information and to sign up: <http://www.kintera.org/faf/home/default.asp?ie>
Click on "Find a Team" on the left side of the page. Congregation Kol Ami, and click on "Join Team". Children ages 11 and under walk for free, though they must be registered.

For more information about the Walk, please visit: <http://www.kintera.org/htmlcontent.asp?cid=111111>





Congregation Kol Ami, MCC, and The Gay Men's Chorus are co-sponsoring a new volunteer opportunity with our LGBT Senior friends at GLEH's Triangle Square! Join us to to play games, socialize, and have fun with different generations in our community.

We will meet the last Thursday of each month 7:00 - 9:00 pm. Please arrive at Triangle Square by 6:45 pm

Students in need of community service hours are encouraged to join in! Kol Ami will sign off on this activity as hours served.

Come volunteer, brighten someone's day and have a great time doing so!

Your next opportunity to participate is THURSDAY, April 25, 2013 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

For more information, please contact Kol Ami member Howard Goldin at hjg1217@aol.com or Bill Gallimore, GMCLA Gives Back at: billgallimore@aol.com.

We hope to see you there!

Help us celebrate



Sexual Health and Judaism

A Panel Discussion

with Rabbi Denise Eger and Dr. Jonathan Bergman, Dept. of

Tuesday, April 23, 2013 at 7:00 pm

Congregation Kol Ami

1200 N. La Brea Avenue

West Hollywood, CA 90038

Hosted by Congregation Kol Ami

Sponsored by the Wendy Sukman Fund

The panel will explore the Jewish relationship to sexual health including sexual dysfunction, and HIV/AIDS.

For more information on Jewish Wisdom & Wellness and to register, www.jewishwisdomandwellness.org



HEBREW UNION COLLEGE - JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION
KALSMAN INSTITUTE
on Judaism & Health

Kalsman Institute on Judaism & Health of Hebrew Union and Cedars-Sinai join the Walking Stick Foundation in

Cha'yay Ru'chee

"My soul is restored" (Isaiah 38:16)

Sunday, April 21, 2013, 3-6 PM

In the Scenic Foothills of Simi Peak

Thousand Oaks, CA

Featuring:

Marc Weigenberg, MD (Kol Ami Member)

Rabbi Miriam Maron, PhD

Rabbi Gershon Winkler, PhD

10 Years of Kol Ami SOVA Support

Food Drive SOVA

**HELP US REFILL OUR
BARRELS**



**SOVA is out of TUNA
and
MACARONI & CHEESE**

We are always in need of personal toiletries, but right now our priority is TUNA, and mac & cheese. Please pick up some TUNA and mac & cheese to donate on your next shopping trip

**Kol Ami will be meeting at
SOVA the 2nd
Sunday of each month.**

Please join us.

**NEXT DATE:
Sunday, April 14, 2013
8:30 AM - NOON**

**LOCATION:
1140 N. La Brea
West Hollywood, 90038
(1 block south of the synagogue)**

Join the Social Action Committee at SOVA, the Jewish Family Services food pantry to help pack groceries for

This segment of Kalsman Institute's Week of Jewish Wisdom and We opportunity to explore the lesser-promulgated wisdom of the Jewish Miriam Maron, PhD and Rabbi Gershon Winkler, PhD, will introduce and early-medieval Aramaic and Hebraic source texts as well as oral long-neglected body of wisdom originates. Marc Weigensberg, M.D., Clinical Pediatrics at the USC Keck School of Medicine and a teacher well, will help bridge these ancient modalities of healing to the contemporary medicine. To register, contact Walking Stick Foundation atclkmesa@walkingstick.org, or call (805) 795-2996



**MAZEL TOV
MASON SOMMERS**

On your commendation by the City of West Hollywood and for your work as a **Donate Life** Ambassador.

Parshat Tazria-Mezora
Leviticus 12:1-15:32
Rabbi Denise L. Eger

This week's double portion, Tazria-Metora, continues the themes of distinguishing between that which is pure and impure. Last week the foods we eat and are the basis for the laws of kashrut. Not really health but these were rules to help us maintain our spiritual framework we eat.

This week's portions focuses on the spiritual purity and impurity of The Torah goes into detail about how to cleanse a person with a p as well as an ailment of fabric and homes and gives us a formula after childbirth. These ancient understandings of physical affliction rewarding process of childbirth are not really based on scientific understanding of the body. But they are seen as expressions of spiritual led to numerous misunderstanding about these Torah portions.

All too often people interpret these portions of Leviticus equating punishment. It is nothing of the sort. Because this really is less about and more about the state of holiness and spiritual cleanliness of the rabbis understood that this portion wasn't so much about physical problems. The Kohen, the priest is in charge of the diagnosis and a physical cure for in many instances if it is an individual with some

clients. We are there every 2nd and 4th Sunday from 8:30 to noon, followed by lunch. Please notify Social Action co-chair Sam Fibish at: samguy@att.net if you are interested in joining us or for other volunteer opportunities at SOVA.

When you visit the synagogue, please remember to bring donations for the SOVA barrels.

Thank you and remember, SOVA is here to serve you if you are in need. They have two other locations in Van Nuys and in the Pico-Robertson district.

For more information, please visit their website at:

<http://www.jfsla.org/sova>

If you are unable to make it to Services and would still like to join us for worship, NOW YOU CAN!

Kol Ami is proud to offer you the opportunity to view Friday evening Services live on the web.

Please connect here for Friday night Services, and enjoy the spiritual experience of Kol Ami at home.

Its Time to Bring in Your Tzedakah Cans!



or other impurity must wait outside the camp. This is about a phy spiritual malaise. One famous interpretation of this tzarat conditi with slander and gossip. These degrade the spirit both of those go victims of the gossip. And the need to separate the violator outsid them from spreading the gossip. After the wait period, the Kohen of ritually purifying that person so that they can re-enter the com functioning individual cured of the spiritual wound in their soul!

We don't know what the ancient writers of the Torah had in mind the tzarat disease. Was it really leprosy or some other skin ailmer even vitalago? And what was the ailment that affected houses and mildew? In either case it doesn't really matter. What matters is t and each of us are still struggling with the effects of spiritual uncl tell us in this week's portion if our houses are afflicted with tzarat stones and replace them? Because if we don't address the tzarat, t around us we can become inured to its effects.

This week's Torah portion reminds us that spiritual cleanliness an It reminds us our conduct matters and that we have a responsibil physical and spiritual parts of our lives. We live in a time when th of the need to address the physical: exercise, eat well, sleep well. I need for our spiritual well being - pray, love, reflect, be with your the underlying messages of this week's portion.

Congregation Kol Ami invites you to a
SILVER CELEBRATION
 Rabbi Denise Eger's
 25 Years as a Rabbi


SAVE THE DATE
6.15.13
Invitation to Follow

For more information, or to get involved,
 contact Steve Tyler, Event Producer
 (323) 467-1600 • LuckyAct@aol.com

Please bring in your cans for donation, and don't forget to pick up a new one while you're here.

Rabbi Eger Online!


Did you know Rabbi Eger not only keeps up her Torah blog on the Kol Ami website, but also has her own personal blog?

 There are new posts every day, so be sure to visit often. Click this link to start reading

<http://rabbieger.wordpress.com>

 You can also follow Rabbi Eger on Twitter!

@deniseeger or follow Kol Ami @KolAmiLA

 And friend her on Facebook!
www.facebook.com/denise.eger



Also don't forget to check into Kol Ami on Foursquare the next time you're at Temple! Check out our loyalty special!

<http://4sq.com/IvoNnZ>

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA'S JEWISH LGBT FAMILY RETREAT!

Join us at the Shalom Institute in Malibu! Discover the magic of a camp experience designed with your family in mind in a safe and supportive environment. Join us for an amazing weekend that includes:

- * Shabbat * Havdalah * Arts and Crafts * Song Sessions * Campfires
- * Nature Walks * Sports * Delicious Kosher Food * Adult Discussions * Animals
- * Children's Programs * Zip Line * Yoga * Gardening * And much, much more!

Nestled in a beautiful wooded canyon in Malibu, the Shalom Institute is an ideal location for a family retreat. Facilities include amphitheaters, ropes course, climbing wall, organic farm, animal center, waterfalls, miles of hiking trails, children's playground, and more!

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER ONLINE!](#)

Housing

Children in kindergarten and older are housed in cabin groups with children their own age, supervised by experienced counselors. Children under kindergarten age will be housed with parents in cabins. *Motel-style accommodations are available for a small additional charge.

During the day and evening, there will be special, supervised, age appropriate activities and childcare for children under kindergarten age by experienced staff.

Rates

Adults: **\$180 per person**
(in cabins or in your own RV or tent)

Adults in private room: **\$210 per person**
(Motel style rooms: double occupancy)

(Limited amount of private rooms available on a first come first reserved basis.)

Children 4 and older: **\$140 per child**
Children 3 and under: **FREE!**
*\$10 discount per person if deposit is paid by deadline





REGISTER AT: www.shalominstitute.com

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