

*"My House Shall Be A House
of Prayer For All People."*

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**Shabbat Dinners in
the Gan Shalom**

Worship Services

Please join us for Shabbat Services
under the stars in the Gan Shalom
Friday, July 12, 2013 at 7:00 pm

Services will be led by Cantor Mark Saltzman
with special guest Ellie Choate

Services are free and everyone is welcome

SUMMER SPECIAL MUSIC SERVICES AT KOL AMI

July 12, 2013 7:00 pm
Shabbat Under the Stars
Special Guest Ellie Choate



Begin your weekend by enjoying the warm, summer weather as we dine together in the Gan Shalom with a meal of your own making (Challah and drinks provided by Kol Ami). The beautiful strains of our own harpist, Ellie Choate compete with our local West Hollywood ambulance sirens as a counterpoint to creating the elegant ambience for this very special Shabbat in the urban outdoors of the roof top garden. This is a Shabbat made even more glorious by the setting sun to inspire us as we begin our services in a sublime meditation of nature. Sink into relaxation and inspiration with a Sabbath that is illuminated by the warm glow of candle light and twinkling stars.



Come dine with us *al fresco* and stick around for services!

It's that time of year again! Every Friday this summer before services we will have our Shabbat "Bring your own" Dinner from 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm in the Gan Shalom. We'll provide the challah and the wine.

Enjoy food, friendship, music and dining al fresco. We hope to see you there!

Refuah Schlemah

Please keep the following people in your prayers: David Kruskall, Greta Rosenblum, Lowell Selvin, Milton Singer, Bob Weiner, Cathee Weiss

From Kol Ami Board of Trustees:

Every new fiscal year we reconstitute the committees at Kol Ami. We invite those who would like to be considered for a committee to contact Ina Frank at the Temple office. If you have been on a committee in the past and want to serve in the coming year please make

July 19, 2013 7:00 pm Cantor to Cantor: Cantor Patty Linsky and Cantor Mark Saltzman



Cantor Patti Linsky, Cantor Emeritus of Temple Ahavat Shalom of Northridge joins Cantor Saltzman for a thrilling evening of soulful music and uplifting song. She received her Cantorial Certification from H.U.C.'s School of Sacred Music in New York, and has represented the Democratic National Committee, and participated in the Seder for Darfur with Rabbi Harold Schulweiss, Forrest Whittaker, Debbie Friedman and Craig Taubman. Her work supporting our Reform movement, both locally and nationally is widely known and highly respected. Her one woman biographical show "Altar EGO" is premiering at Vitellos this month, and portions of it will be featured at this very special service. Come and share in the joy of hearing two cantors for the price of one!

OUTFEST 2013

Congregation Kol Ami is proud to once again support Outfest as a Community Collaborator. We are co-sponsoring several Israeli films.

Mention that you are with Kol Ami for \$1 off your ticket for our paired screening. This is for phone orders and "day of purchase" only.

For more information, contact the Kol Ami office at 323/606-0996 or www.outfest.org

Boys' Shorts

Saturday, July 13, 11:00 am, DGA 1

Wednesday, July 17, 9:30 am, DGA 2

Summer Vacation (Israel, 2012, 22 mins)

In Hebrew with English subtitles U.S. Premiere

Directed By: Sharon Maymon, Tal Granit

A married man's family vacation abruptly takes a turn when he bumps into his ex-lover.

Ronnie and I (USA, 2013, 20 mins)

World Premiere

Directed By: Guy Shalem

A young man comes to terms with his sexuality and feelings for his best friend during an impromptu trip.

sure to express your continued interest by also contacting Ina Frank. Ina's email address is: ifrank@kol-ami.org

The Committees for this year are:

Development
Finance
Membership
Ritual
Social Action

**Help us
celebrate
10 Years of Kol
Ami SOVA
Support**

**Food Drive
SOVA**

**HELP US REFILL
OUR BARRELS**



**SOVA needs
Tuna, Cereal,
Toothpaste, and
toothbrushes**

**We are always in
need of personal
toiletries, especially
toothbrushes and
toothpaste, razors**

Girls' Shorts

Friday, July 19, 9:45 pm, DGA 1
Sunday, July 21, 12:15 pm, DGA 2
Through The Window (Israel, 2011, 12 min)
Directed By: Chen Shumowitz
A family dinner becomes tense when a daughter's secret may be revealed.

Out In The Dark

Sunday, July 14, 7:00 pm, DGA 1
Sunday, July 21, 2:45 pm, DGA 2
Description:
Nimr (Nicholas Jacob), a handsome Palestinian psychology student, is in the closet at home. But while in Tel Aviv taking a class he meets Roy (Michael Aloni), a dashing Israeli attorney, and quickly falls in love. But Israeli security strips Nimr of his visa, trying to blackmail him into becoming an informant, and when his brother finds out he's gay, Nimr is thrown out of his family home. Nimr and Roy are left to fight desperately against ruthless enemies for the chance to be together.

Don't miss out on this fun evening. Last day to purchase tickets is this Friday, July 12, 2013



AN EVENING AT THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL WITH PINK MARTINI

Saturday, July 20, 2013
6:00 pm - Pre-Concert Picnic
8:00 pm - Concert
\$36 per ticket

Transporting audiences from a samba parade in Rio to a 1930s French cabaret, the Portland-based, internationally loved Bowl favorites return for a fanciful romp with the Los Angeles Philharmonic. For the first time ever, the dazzling China Forbes and bewitching Storm Large share the stage and co-helm the playfully diverse 12-piece band.

**SPONSORED BY MOKA AND OPEN TO ALL
PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS TODAY**

For more information call the temple office at 323/606-0996
Or to purchase tickets [click here:](#)

Reform CA invites you to:

and lotion. But right now our priority is Tuna and hot and cold cereal. Please pick up some tuna, toiletries and on your next shopping trip to donate to SOVA.

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

Please join us.

**NEXT DATE:
Sunday, July 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 clients. We are there every 2nd 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

Tisha B'av Re-imagined

An Evening of Study, Prayer, and Action:
Contemplating our Tragedies and Repairing our
Broken System
with Rabbi Lewis M. Barth and
Rabbi Richard N. Levy

Monday July 15th, 2013, 6:45pm - 9:00pm
Leo Baeck Temple
1300 N. Sepulveda Blvd.

Tisha B'Av, or the 9th of Av, commemorates many tragedies in Jewish history, most notably the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem in 586 BCE and again in 70 CE. Jews were cast out of our land to become immigrants in countries around the world - there were no such things as "documents" to ensure them fair and compassionate treatment in all the places they sought out for refuge.

As people in our state and our country face the plight of undocumented immigrants today, we dedicate our observance of Tisha B'av to remembering not only what happened to us, but what happens every day to those who are in exile in the 20th and 21st centuries.

Our evening will begin with study led by Rabbi Lewis M. Barth that will help us transform the mourning of our Temple's destruction and the societal ills that led to the destruction into a call of action with our hands, feet, and hearts to repair the wrongs in today's society. We will conclude with an evening prayer service and a modern chanting from Eichah, the Book of Lamentations, led by Rabbi Richard Levy.

RSVP to Rabbi Joel Simonds
rabbisimonds@unisyn.org
or
Sam Fibish at
samguy@att.net

MAZEL TOV



Noah Stein and Eduardo Diaz on their engagement

Laurie Lang and Debbie Koltun on their engagement

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:

jfsla.org/sova

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR GAME NIGHT AT TRIANGLE SQUARE



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 - 9:00pm.
Please arrive at

MAZEL TOV RABBI EGER on becoming a Senior Rabbinic Fellow of the Shalom Hartman Institute

<http://www.hartman.org.il/SHINews>

Calendar

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6:00 pm Picnic Dinner in Gan Shalom
7:00 pm Shabbat Services led by Cantor Saltzman with special guest, Ellie Choate

Saturday, July 13, 2013

12:15 pm HIV Shabbat Lunch

Sunday, July 14, 2013

8:30 am SOVA

Tuesday, July 16, 2013

Tisha B'Av

Wednesday, July 17, 2013

7:00 pm Board of Trustees Meeting

CURIOUS ABOUT JUDAISM?

Would you like to learn more about the basic traditions and customs of the Jewish people?

Let us teach you from the perspective of Reform Judaism. URJ's 18-week Introduction to Judaism course provides an entry point for people of all backgrounds to participate more comfortably in Jewish life.

This class introduces the fundamentals of Jewish thought and practice in 16-20 weeks. Topics include Jewish holidays and life cycle events, theology and prayer, Israel, history and Hebrew.

The course is organized around the major themes of Judaism, and around the holidays and events in the Jewish life cycle, including the following concepts:

- Birth
- Concepts of God
- Conversion to Judaism
- Death and Mourning
- Israel and Zionism
- Jewish Culture
- Jewish History
- Jewish Holidays

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, July 25, 2013 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

For more information, please contact Kol Ami member Howard Goldin at hig1217@aol.com or Bill Gallimore, GMCLA Gives Back at: billgallimore@aol.com.

We hope to see you there!

Torah Study with Rabbi Eger
Will resume in October 2013

Its Time to Bring in Your Tzedakah

- Marriage/Partnership and Family
- Personal Responsibility
- Repentance and the Path of Righteousness
- Worship and Spirituality

Where: Congregation Kol Ami
When: Tuesday nights 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
August 20, 2013 - TBD

For more information or to sign up click here:
<http://www.reformjudaism.org>



Jews in the Los Angeles Mosaic



Tour the Autry Museum

Explore how a growing Jewish community settled, prospered, and helped shape the economy, politics, and culture of a city—and how the diversity and dynamism of Los Angeles have transformed the local Jewish community for the past 160 years.

This groundbreaking exhibition is the story of neighborhoods like Boyle Heights and Fairfax, people like Billy Wilder, Max Factor, and Frank Gehry, and lynchpin industries like the movies and suburban land development. See how Jews helped change the region by recruiting the Brooklyn Dodgers, inventing the Barbie doll, and joining other Angelenos in electing the city's first African American mayor.

Featuring more than 150 stories, documents, objects, and images of family, community, and society, Jews in the Los Angeles Mosaic highlights how the history of Jews in Los Angeles is at once familiar—one of the many in the cultural mosaic of the city—and unique.

Sunday August 18, 2013 1:00 pm–3:00 pm
Join Rabbi Eger at the Autry at 12:30 pm for a docent tour of the History of Los Angeles.

RSVP A MUST

\$18/person in advance to Kol Ami.
To purchase tickets [click here](#)

Cans!



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in your cans
for donation,
and don't
forget to pick
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while you're
here.

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to make it to
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would still like to
join us for
worship, NOW
YOU CAN!***

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evening Services
live on the web.***

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

Rabbi Eger Online!

Did you know Rabbi
Eger not only keeps
up her Torah blog on

There is space for 24 Parking is free

Parshat Devarim

Deuteronomy 1:1 - 3:22

We open the last book of the Torah this week Deuteronomy and we read from the open first three chapters. This however continues Moses recounting of the journey from Egypt to the plains of Moab across the Jordan from the Promise Land from the end of the Book Of Numbers.

Moses knows he won't be able to enter and he must help the new leader Joshua Ben Nun become the new leader. This is the introduction to his final speech. This week's Torah portion begins Moses' ethical will to his beloved Children-the Israelite nation, that he helped form. In the week's to come Moses will recount the laws and rules of the God of Israel. He will admonish the Israelites to listen to God. Moses will, with a full heart, share his frustrations with them and demand that they keep far away from idolatry that can lead them astray. One last word, one last pearl of wisdom from Moses before God calls him to "be gathered to his kin".

The Hebrew name of Deuteronomy does not convey the Hebrew name of this book or this week's Torah portion Devarim - Words. Over the next 12 weeks or so these words will become an important inheritance for the Israelites and for us. Deuteronomy restates the laws and teachings accumulated along this collective journey from slavery to the Promised Land. But these precious words are our precious values and the teachings represent the foundation of our Jewish way of life. Even if our laws have changed and evolved through the centuries, this "ethical" book and speech to the Israelites conveys our deeply held teachings from our teacher Moses!


Have you ever thought about your words of wisdom that you would share with your family and friends before you died? How would you convey the accumulated wisdom that you have gained throughout your lifetime? What would you like your children and grandchildren, godchildren or next generation of your family and friends to remember you by?

This is not a last will and testament that distributes your property and assets. This is a different kind of wealth to be shared. This is the wealth of wisdom, experiences and memories to share with those that you care about. This is an ethical will. We have a long tradition in Judaism of creating ethical wills. Even the other Moses of our tradition Moses Maimonides wrote an ethical will. The earliest is found at the end of Genesis in Jacob's blessing of his sons There are many from the medieval era all the way through

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 [Click Here](#)

 You can also follow Rabbi Eger on Twitter! [@deniseeger](#) or follow Kol Ami [@KolAmiLA](#)

 And friend her on Facebook! [Click Here](#)

 Also don't forget to check into Kol Ami on Foursquare the next time you're at Temple! Check out our loyalty special! [Click Here](#)

the early Chasidic period! Many of the medieval ethical wills tried to apply different Jewish philosophies and theologies into practical everyday advice for the descendants. Even in the 16th and 17th centuries prominent Jewish families from France to Prague wrote ethical wills alongside their wills for distribution of property.

So I ask you as we begin this week of reading Deuteronomy to consider your words and the teaching you would like to leave behind. What are the most important values to you? What Jewish legacy will you leave in words and deeds and encourage your loved ones to heed and continue?

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