

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

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Refuah Schlemah

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

- Aaron Aronow
- Michael Becker
- Iris Levine
- Frank Peck
- Tom Royer
- Henry Schaumberg
- Lowell Selvin
- Henry Somerfeld
- Bob Weiner

Dear Sadie,

As most of you know, Rabbi Eger is on Sabbatical in July. In this spot, where she usually shares her greetings and thoughts, we'll have a couple of guest posts until she returns.



This week has been an intense week, inspiring a wide range of emotions, here are a sampling of responses from across the globe:

As members of Klal Yisrael, the People of Israel, we have watched in apprehension and horror as the bodies of Naftali Fraenkel (z"l), Gilad Shaar (z"l), and Eyal Yifrach (z"l) were discovered. We grieved with their families and communities as their bodies were laid to rest. As a key voice of the Reform movement, Rabbi Rick Jacobs [writes movingly of his experience](#) of the funeral. And Haaretz explores the significance for women of Rachel Fraenkel's [publicly reciting kaddish](#) for her son as an Orthodox woman.

Many of us experienced anger at the Supreme Court's Hobby Lobby decision, which used the Religious Freedom Restoration Act to say that corporations are people with rights often outweighing those of their employees. Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg's [passionate 35-page dissent](#) in the case offered inspiration to many. The RAC, the social action voice of the Reform movement decried [the Court's misuse of the law](#). And the National Council of Jewish Women denounced the decision saying it "[strikes a grievous blow to women's rights and religious liberty](#)".

Finally civil rights attorney and advocate [Morris Dees offers inspiration to continue the work](#) as we take pride in the fact that today is the 50th anniversary of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.



Richard Weinberger
On the birth of your grandson
Blake Austin



Reva Solomon
for being quoted in last week's
Jewish Journal article about Larry
David at the Writer's Guild

[CLICK HERE](#) to read the article

**PLEASE remember to bring
food and personal items every
time you come to the temple.**

HELP US REFILL OUR BARRELS



SOVA needs toothbrushes,
toothpaste, disposable razors,
lotion, shampoo and conditioner.
Also, cooking oil, canned pasta,
and peanut butter.

Please pick some of the items
listed above 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.

Have a wonderful week and a fantastic 4th of July,
Sadie



PLEASE NOTE: No services at 1200 La Brea on Friday night.
Temple is closed on Friday, July 4, 2014.

Calendar

Friday, July 4, 2014

5:00 PM Satellite Shabbat at Cantor Saltzman's house.
Temple is closed.

Saturday, July 5, 2014

12:00 PM Yoga CANCELLED

Tuesday, July 8, 2014

7:00 PM Pillar 3 meeting

Friday, July 11, 2014

8:00 PM Shabbat Services with Cantor Saltzman and Jeremy Gimbel

Saturday, July 12, 2014

12:00 PM Yoga and Meditation
12:15 PM HIV+ Shabbat Lunch

Sunday, July 13, 2014

8:30 AM SOVA

Tuesday, July 15, 2014

7:00 PM Meditation

Friday, July 18, 2014

7:00 PM Shabbat Services with Cantor Saltzman and Harpist Ellie Choate

RABBI ON THE TOWN

In the past month, Rabbi Eger has participated in these
activities:

- Attended the CCAR - URJ - HUC Joint Board Meeting

NEXT DATE:
 Sunday
 July 13, 2014
 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 Ed Casson at: ecasson@gmail.com 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: jfsla.org/sova

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

[Click Here](#)

 You can also follow Rabbi Eger on Twitter!
[@deniseeger](https://twitter.com/deniseeger) or follow Kol Ami
[@KolAmiLA](https://twitter.com/KolAmiLA)

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

- Was interviewed in the Jewish Journal about LGBT Pride
- Spoke at the Jewish Community Prayer Vigil for the 3 kidnapped teenagers
- Was interviewed in the Christian Century Magazine for an article on Interfaith Premarital Counseling
- Attended the CCAR Executive Committee Meeting

DONATIONS

We give thanks to the following people who made donations during the month of June:

Building Fund

Hon Vicki Reynolds and Murray Pepper - in memory of Murray Adelman

General Fund

Stuart Leviton & Herb Schultz - in honor of the wedding of Stan Berkman and Chris Murphy

Oneg

Mark Cohen & Timothy Jordan - In honor of their son's conversion and Hebrew naming

Tzedakah

Gail Buky

Leesa Freed and Jane Drucker

Yahrzeit

Michael Becker - in memory of his father, Joseph Becker

Mark Freeman & Glenn Rosenblum - in memory of Mark's Nonny, Dorothy Kern Golden

Alvin Gross - in memory of his friend, Norman Bronson

Alvin Gross - in memory of his uncle, Albert Young

Philip Lelyveld - in memory of Miriam Polak Lelyveld, grandmother of Philip, and mother-in-law of Addie

Rita & Marcy Norton - in memory of Neal Zaslavsky's godson, Nicholas Rodriguez

Mark Saltzman & Walter Hubert - in memory of their friends, Robert Sanchez and Kathleen Riggs

Janene Sneider - in memory of her son, Noah Stroud

Marc Weigensberg & Elyse Resch - in memory of Marc's aunt, Fryda Bierman



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](#)

Volunteers needed for Game Night at Triangle Square



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

We will meet the last Thursday of each month from 7PM - 9PM. Please arrive at Triangle Square by 6:45PM. 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 too! Your next opportunity to participate is Thursday, June 26, 2014 at 7:00 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
Hope to see you there!

If you are unable to make it to Services and would still like to

SOME PLACES OF INSPIRATION...
HAWAII... YOSEMITE... JERUSALEM... THE GRAND CANYON...


INTRODUCTION TO JUDAISM COURSE

Find inspiration in the wisdom and traditions of Judaism. Our INTRO courses are for everyone interested in learning more about Judaism and its traditions.

An INTRO TO JUDAISM course taught by Rabbi Sabine Meyer starts on Wednesday, August 6, 2014 at Congregation Kol Ami in West Hollywood.

More information at <http://www.reformjudaism.org/introduction-judaism-california>

This course satisfies the basic educational requirements for conversion to Judaism.



join us for worship, you can.

Please [connect here](#) for Friday night Services, and enjoy the spiritual experience of Kol Ami at home.

Read Rabbi Eger's sermons online at www.rabbieger.wordpress.com

A WIDER BRIDGE PRESENTS

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OCTOBER 21-30, 2014

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- Broch, Seattle

Join A Wider Bridge for our 4th annual trip for lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and queer (LGBTQ) persons, partners, friends and allies. The 9 night journey takes us to the desert, Tel Aviv, the Galilee and Jerusalem, connecting modern Israeli life with our deep historical roots.

Pricing: \$2700 double occupancy. Single supplement is \$765
For more info: awiderbridge.org/israel-2014

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We're trying out some new things. Looking to start a new practice, or expand your range of spiritual practice? Join us for -

Meditation
Tuesday nights at 7pm -
no experience necessary

Kundalini yoga Saturdays
noon-1:30 (starting April 5th).
Bring a yoga mat and water.



PLEASE NOTE YOGA IS CANCELLED THIS SATURDAY, JULY 5. CLASS WILL RESUME ON SATURDAY, JULY 12.

Its Time to Bring in Your Tzedakah Cans!



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

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