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### **Refuah Schlemah**

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Aaron Aronow  
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Henry Somerfeld  
Bob Weiner



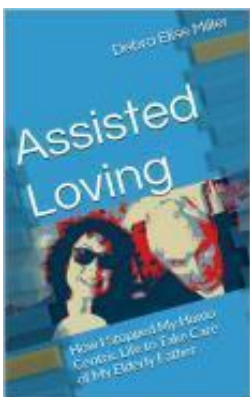
This week the Presbyterian Church at their General Assembly tried to make a statement about Middle East Peace. Instead they have created further division between Jews and Christians. The Presbyterian Church voted to divest from three companies that do business in Israel- Caterpillar, Motorola and Hewlett Packard (HP). They voted to divest from companies who do business in Israel and specifically these three companies because as their resolution claims these companies help Israel settle the West Bank and help the Israeli Navy sustain a blockade of Gaza. The Presbyterian Church further alienated the Jewish community by creating a so-called study document sent to all their churches in PCUSA, their denomination, called "Zionism Unsettled" a terribly one sided document that denies Israel's right to exist. Even though they rejected "Zionism Unsettled" as an expression of their sentiment it remains for sale as a study guide on the PCUSA website for congregations to use as they explore the issue. It is very Anti-Semitic in presentation.

The Presbyterian Church sided with the BDS Movement-the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions Movement which is a thinly veiled attempt by Palestinian sympathizers to delegitimize Israel and to deny Israel as the homeland of the Jewish People. The BDS movement uses Anti-Zionist language and Anti-Semitic language. The sick irony is that even the PA, the Palestinian Authority has stated that the BDS movement world-wide (which often plays itself out on college campuses as it did most recently at UCLA) has been a hindrance to the peace process.

The Presbyterian Church has according to Ethan Felson, Vice President and General Counsel for the Jewish Council for Public

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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.**

NEXT DATE:

Affairs in a URJ Webinar, the Presbyterian Church allowed the BDS movement to define the issues. The Presbyterian Church and Reform Judaism have a long history of cooperation on many social justice issues. But on this issue they didn't consult. They bought the BDS rhetoric hook, line and sinker even when it is an outright lie. If they had really done their homework they would have seen that these three companies do not do what the BDS movement says it does! Lying doesn't make it so. Sadly there was no real voice of Jewish education. Thank goodness Rabbi Rick Jacobs the head of the Union for Reform Judaism was invited to address the general assembly held in Detroit. I invite you to [click here](#) and [here](#) to learn more about what happened and the Reform Jewish response to the Presbyterian vote.

With this I wish you a farewell until August. I will be heading to Israel this weekend once again studying at the Shalom Hartman Institute in Jerusalem. I have also been asked to teach a session to the rabbis on "Helping the synagogue be more inclusive". I will return to Kol Ami in August.

As summer unfolds, keep Israel always in our prayers and this summer especially the three teenagers who as of this writing remain kidnapped by terrorists. Let us pray for the safe return of Gilad Shaar, Naftali Frenkel, and Eyal Yifrach. #BringBackOurBoys

Theater Dybbuk will be here at Kol Ami on June 29th for a special performance of the original play "Tefillah or prayer: a translation". The Jewish Journal highlighted the play and it's creator Aaron Henne, in their article "Fusing Ritual and Theater". <http://ow.ly/y8U9D>

It is a free performance with a first-come-first-served protocol. If you would like to reserve a seat, contact [wordstrut@gmail.com](mailto:wordstrut@gmail.com) with your name and the number of your party.

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](mailto: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](http://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!  
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 And friend her on Facebook!  
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Also don't forget to check into



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**tefillah**  
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Sunday June 29, 7PM

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## Calendar

### Thursday, June 26, 2014

7:00 PM Game night at Triangle Square  
7:00 PM Pillar 2 meeting

### Friday, June 27, 2014

8:00 PM Shabbat Services with Rabbi Eger and Cantor Saltzman

### Saturday, June 28, 2014

12:00 PM Yoga

### Sunday, June 29, 2014

7:00 PM Theater Dybbuk presents "Tefillah or prayer: a translation"

### Tuesday, July 1, 2014

7:00 PM Meditation

### Friday, July 4, 2014

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

## Pillar 2 Meeting

### Transforming the World Using Jewish Values

Thursday, June 26, 2014 7:00 PM

You can help make a difference in our community and beyond! Please join Pillar 2 at Kol Ami on Thursday, June 26 at 7 PM. During this meeting we'll plan our major Tzedakah project and involvement in a joint mission to build housing in Guatemala from December 25, 2014 – January 3, 2015. We will also be talking about IVAWA (International Violence Against Women Act), game night at Triangle Square, and other ways for the Kol Ami Family to transform the world with Jewish Values.



Kol Ami on Foursquare the next time you're at Temple! Check out our loyalty special!

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## 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](mailto:hjg1217@aol.com) or Bill Gallimore, GMCLA Gives Back at: [billgallimore@aol.com](mailto:billgallimore@aol.com)  
Hope to see you there!

If you are unable to make it to Services and would still like to join us for worship, you can.

Everyone is welcome. Hope to see you there!

## KOL AMI'S 4TH OF JULY SATELLITE SHABBAT at CANTOR SALTZMAN'S HOUSE

July 4, 2014

5:00 PM Pool opens

6:15 PM Shabbat Service

7:00 Picnic dinner

Bring your dinner, your friends, and your swimsuit! BBQ and BBQ chef Flori Schutzer will be available for use. Drinks, challah and flatware will be provided.  
Please RSVP to Kol Ami at 323/626-0996

No pork or shellfish please.

Please note: There will not be services at Kol Ami that night.



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](http://www.rabbieger.wordpress.com)

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For more info: [awiderbridge.org/israel-2014](http://awiderbridge.org/israel-2014)

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).  
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