

KOL קול עמי AMI

Annual meetings set



Congregation Kol Ami
Sunday, June 2
9:00 AM
Continental Breakfast



Jewish Center & Federation
Tuesday, June 18
5:30 PM
Please make dinner reservations at
<https://jcf2019.eventbrite.com>.

Film is Ginsburg bio

The JCF's June film, *On the Basis of Sex*, presents the early career of Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, from her life as a young mother attending both her own law-school classes and those of her husband, then seriously ill, through the discrimination she faced as a woman lawyer to her work on gender-equality cases that made her famous.

Written by Bader Ginsburg's nephew Daniel Stiepleman and directed by Mimi Leder, it stars Felicity Jones as Ruth and Armie Hammer as Martin Ginsburg.

The picture focuses on their role in the *Moritz v. Commissioner*, a landmark 1972 case that challenged a decision of the US Tax Court that a Denver man, Charles Moritz, was ineligible for tax deductions for the expenses he accumulated in the care of his invalid mother, essentially because he was not a woman. They chose a male plaintiff both to make a point—that sex discrimination can affect everyone—and because they thought that male judges might be more sympathetic to a man.

The screening will be at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 6, in the Braunstein Community Room. It's free and everyone is welcome.



Jewish Center & Federation
of the Twin Tiers
Congregation Kol Ami
Jewish Community School

June 2019

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Study evening begins Shavuot

Congregation Kol Ami's celebration of Shavuot will begin with a Tikkun Leil Shavuot—a night study session—on Saturday, June 8, beginning at 8:30 p.m. Rabbi Oren Steinitz, Malachi Doane, and Maggid Paul Solyn will teach, and the program will end by 11:30.

Dairy foods are traditional on Shavuot, but will there be blintzes? Ice cream? Cheesecake? Come and find out.

Jewish Center and Federation



from President Marcus Kantz

As I wrote last month, the Jewish holidays are never “early” or “late”; they’re always exactly on time. Well, it turns out that the JCF Annual Meeting will be exactly on time this year – at 5:30 PM on Tuesday, June 18. How do I know that it will be exactly on time? Because I’m the Prez and I say so. I also have some other things to say about it: It’ll be fun. It’ll have fun food. It’ll have lively and not too boring discussion. It’ll have some quick voting. And it’ll have presentation of a very important award to a very important and special person.

Now that you’ve learned all that, I’m sure that you’ll want to come and join us. So I really don’t have to say any more, but you know me better than that. I have one more important thing to say about the meeting, and about JCF. JCF is really all about bringing our community to-

gether, exactly what the meeting is about. But let’s pause just a moment and think about that word “community.” Of course, in our case, it starts with all of the people in the wide and tall Twin Tiers who identify in one way or another with Judaism, either because they are Jewish, or they have a Jewish heritage, or they know a lot of people who are Jewish, or they just love Jewish food, or even because they share something in common with other people in the community, so strongly that they are just feel like a member of the community.

I am happy and proud to say that we have a goodly number of dues paying members of JCF who have no concrete connection to Judaism other than that sense of community with us. I find that to be a true validation of the value of our organization. We bring people together.

So, please, please do come to join us at the Annual Meeting, to schmooze and knosh, and participate in the organizational process. But most importantly, consider bringing someone with you who is not a member, who may not even really know what JCF is, but who you just know will find us to be a welcoming bunch of folks. Yes almost everything we do is tied in some way to our Jewishness, but everything we do is tied to our sense of community. Membership is really cheap, and you get a “free” candy bar. And you get a free copy of this newsletter monthly. And you get to feel the warmth of belonging. See our ad elsewhere in these pages to make your reservations. I’ll get yelled at for this, but frankly, I want you to come even if you forget. You can eat my hot dogs. Just come.

Jewish Center & Federation of the Twin Tiers Annual Meeting & Barbecue



Tuesday, June 18, 5:30 PM

Reservations requested at <https://jcf2019.eventbrite.com>
To request vegan or gluten-free options, please call (607) 734-8122 .

from Executive Director Paul Solyn



Shavuot seems to be the least-celebrated of Jewish festivals. One reason for this is that there is no particular observance for it at home. We just eat dairy foods that day—blintzes if we're lucky. Everything else takes place in the synagogue.

Another is that it falls at the beginning of the summer and gets short shrift in Hebrew school. This month the Jewish Community School's last session for the year is a week before Shavuot. Some published materials for kindergarten and first-grade classes don't even include Shavuot.

Yet another, however, is that few of us today are farmers. Today we understand Shavuot as the anniversary of our receiving the Torah at Sinai, and thus read the "Ten Statements" (commandments) in the Shavuot service, but the Torah itself describes it as an agricultural festival: the festival of first fruits.

Farmers were to bring gifts of their first spring crops, especially the barley crop, to the Temple as offerings. This practice lapsed when the Temple was destroyed, and the mitzvah was fulfilled only through study of the instructions.

When we lose connection with agriculture, we also lose some of the resonance of Jewish life. It's not only festivals that are affected: when I taught in Los Angeles, I found it exceptionally difficult to teach anything related to food, whether the *brachot* for different kinds of food or

the procedures of the sabbatical year, when farming in Israel was suspended. Students had little understanding of the origins of food. Basically, it just came from the supermarket.

Some Jewish organizations are trying to change that. Hazon, a "Jewish lab for sustainability," tries to bring Jewish wisdom to bear on contemporary issues, including food justice. Among its programs are Teva, which holds farm retreats for Jewish day-students and a summer camp for children and parents, and the Adamah Fellowship. The Adamah Fellowship is a two- to three-month program for adults in their 20s and 30s that integrates organic agriculture, farm-to-table living, Jewish learning, community building, social justice and spiritual practice.

Both are based at the Isabella Freedman Retreat Center in Connecticut, which offers Jewish holiday experiences, workshops, festivals, farm vacations, retreats, yoga classes, prayer services, and farm-to-table kosher meals.

Perhaps the most interesting, however, is Sadeh, a small farm at the Skeet Hill House in England. Skeet Hill was founded during World War II as a respite center for Jewish children from the East End of London. Talia Chain, a young Jewish woman from an Orthodox background, founded the farm there after holding an Adamah Fellowship.

"When we were exiled from the land of Israel, we forgot about where we came from," she said. "We focused on law books and the city. But we need that relationship with the soil, to make sense of our religion again. We need an earth-based Judaism."

At Sadeh, she follows agricultural practices from the Torah as much as possible, such as not harvesting fruit from a tree until the tree's fourth year. She is not following the requirement for a sabbatical year—generally understood to apply only in the Land of Israel—to let the farm's entire land lie fallow every seven years and be rested. However, beds at Sadeh will be left fallow in rotation.

Sadeh also hosts courses and retreats on agriculture and environmental activism. Chain says that it is one of the only Jewish places in Britain where both Reform and Orthodox groups visit.

Here in the U.S., some churches, including the First Congregational UCC Church and Emanuel Lutheran Church in Corning, have garden plots on their grounds to grow vegetables for food pantries. A few synagogues have done the same.

Although the goal of these gardens is to provide fresh vegetables for donation, helping children to learn about how food is grown is a potential additional benefit.

2019 Holidays

August 11 – Tisha b'Av

September 21 – Selichot

September 30–October 1 – Rosh Hashanah

October 9 – Yom Kippur

October 14–20 – Sukkot

October 21 – Atzeret/Simchat Torah

December 23–30 – Hanukkah

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Congregation Kol Ami—כל עמי



from Cheryl Miller

The much-anticipated Jewish Food Festival was once again a big success thanks to the remarkable effort of CKA Sisterhood and many, many volunteers! This is the first year that I worked the second shift in the bakery rather than the first, which gave me a whole new perspective on the amount of work that goes into this annual event.

I was already aware of the hours and hours of work spent before the event with food preparation and setting up the social halls to create an authentic Hester Street atmosphere for our guests. I loved working in the bakery (often with my son, Max!) and enjoying the incredible

variety and quality of food items after my shift. I typically left with a full belly and some fun items from the Tchotchke Shop but no thought of what was required post-Festival.

This year I stuck around and was amazed at the speed with which the building was transformed back into its “natural” state. Booths needed to be dismantled, food and treasures packed and put away for future use, and tickets to be counted (and boy, were there tickets!). Once again, many hands made for light work as folks pitched in to do whatever needed to be done. The best part of the experience for me year after year is the camaraderie I feel with the

other volunteers.

Thank you to everyone who helped before, during, and after this amazing event! Many people from the community were effusive with their praise of their experience, particularly stating how friendly everyone was and how welcome they felt in our building. It made me incredibly proud that they appreciate the time, effort, and love that goes into such a tremendous undertaking year after year!

I welcome your thoughts, concerns, ideas, or questions. My cell phone number is 607-331-7475 or you can email me at cmiller35@stny.rr.com.

Shabbat Services

except as noted below

Shabbat Evening Service	7:30 PM	
Shabbat Morning Service	8:30 AM	
Shabbat Morning Service	9:30 AM	<i>with Torah reading</i>

Noteworthy Upcoming Religious Observances

Friday, May 31 Confirmation Dinner Shabbat Service and Confirmation	7:30 PM	Friday, June 14 Dish-to-Pass Dinner Shabbat Evening Service	6:00 PM 7:30 PM
Saturday, June 1 Shabbat Morning Service Shabbat Morning Service	8:30 AM 9:30 AM	Saturday, June 15 Shabbat Ruach	9:30 AM
Friday, June 7 Shabbat Evening Service	7:30 PM	Friday, June 28 Music Shabbat Service with Sue Amisano	7:30 PM
Saturday, June 8 Shabbat Morning Service Shabbat Morning Service Tikkun Leil Shavuot	8:30 AM 9:30 AM 8:30 PM	Saturday, May 25 Shabbat Morning Service Shabbat Morning Service	8:30 AM 9:30 AM
Sunday, June 9 Shavuot Service with Yizkor	9:30 AM		

Weekly Torah/Haftarah Portions & Candle Lighting

June 7–8 8:23 PM <i>Bamidbar</i> Torah Numbers 1:1– 4:20 Pr. Hosea 2:1–22	June 14–15 8:27 PM <i>Naso</i> Torah Numbers 4:21–7:89 Pr. Judges 13:2–25	June 21–22 8:29 PM <i>Behalotecha</i> Torah Numbers. 8:–12:16 Pr. Zechariah 2:14–4:7	June 28–29 8:29 PM <i>Shelach</i> Torah Numbers 13:1–15:41 Pr. Joshua 2:1–24
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from Rabbi Oren Steinitz



“The Jews are tired.”

That was the headline of a social media post, a few days after the synagogue shooting in Poway, CA. The post captured perfectly what many of us have been feeling for quite some time now. We are tired. Tired of looking over our shoulder; tired of endless discussions about security, gun control, panic buttons and ballistic windows; tired of memorials; tired of death; tired of being afraid; tired of being outraged.

The days following the Poway shooting were very different than the ones following the one in Pittsburgh. We did not receive a stream of endless phone calls and emails at the synagogue, no piles of condolences cards. Even WETM, that does not seem to get enough of us lately, took a few days before asking for a response. It is easy to get cynical about this – is one victim just not enough to generate an outraged response anymore? Have we gone so

dark? Does it take a minimum number of casualties to warrant a condolences card?

When talking to a friend that week, I recalled an event that happened during the wave of suicide bombings in Israel, around the spring of 2002. It has long been the custom for Israeli television stations to interrupt their regularly scheduled programming whenever a suicide bombing took place. In the 1990s, all comedy shows would be cancelled for several days after each terror attack, but in 2002, the sheer number of bombings had gone so high, that people started getting annoyed that their favorite TV shows were skipped over and over again. In March 2002, a dramatic soccer match took place between cup holder Maccabee Haifa and underdog Maccabee Kiryat Gat. The weaker team was surprisingly leading 3-0 when reports of a suicide bombing in Jerusalem started coming in. Not

wishing to interrupt the live coverage of the game, Israeli Channel 2 decided to split the screen, and while two thirds of it showed reports from the scene of the terror attack, the remaining third kept showing the soccer game.

Such reactions, what psychologists call “compassion fatigue,” are not only normal, but also healthy. We cannot keep feeling sad and angry, and we desperately want some sense of normalcy back in our lives. However, we cannot afford to get used to the idea that White Supremacy is somehow now back. We are not to just accept the notion that our houses of worship are not a safe place anymore. Security measures are important, yes, but they are not enough – we must continue to speak up: anti-Semitism is not to be tolerated, bigotry is not to be tolerated, hate is not to be tolerated. At the end of the day, we have no other choice.

The Sisterhood of Congregation Kol Ami

invites you to our

Donor Dinner 2019

Tuesday, June 11, at 6:00 PM

Hilton Garden Inn

Horseheads, NY

Hors D'oeuvres and Cash Bar

Buffet Dinner \$28.00

Please mail your reservations and payment by June 5 to
Congregation Kol Ami 1008 W. Water Street Elmira, NY 14905

Name _____ Number of Attendees _____

Donor \$36.00 Patron \$50.00 Sponsor \$75.00

Benefactor \$100.00 Angel over \$100.00

Donations _____

Dinner (\$28.00 per person) _____

Total Amount* _____

**Please make check payable to CKA Sisterhood. Thank you!!*

PRAYER FOR THE ILL OR ILL AT HEART

Adonai, You who blessed our ancestors, Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebecca, Jacob, Rachel, and Leah, send Your blessing to those who are ill of body and ill of spirit. Grant them Refuah Sh'lema, a complete recovery, and may healing come speedily. Amen.

CKA Donations

Flowers for the Bimah

- ✧ June 7: In memory of Stuart Komer by Judith Komer
- ✧ June 21: Honoring Hashem's angels on Jacob's ladder. A myriad silver cords breaking and ascending, then descending, fusing, melding souls and bodies bound. With love, John & Joanne Travers

Congregation Education Fund

- ✧ In memory of Tess Rothstein by Maddy & Larry Dolkart
- ✧ In memory of Tess Rothstein by Marguerite & Brien Grieco

General Fund

- ✧ In memory of Leon Horwitz
- ✧ Jon Oram
- ✧ Gordon Taylor
- ✧ Paul Navarra
- ✧ Richard Wortman
- ✧ Marcy & Herb Cohen
- ✧ Jay & Gayle Waxenberg
- ✧ Kenneth & Randee Rubenstein
- ✧ Alan Wertheimer
- ✧ Lisa Altman & Paul Knowlton
- ✧ Michael & Kelly Album
- ✧ Jon Thirer
- ✧ Christopher Gegwich
- ✧ Alan & Yvette Gebell
- ✧ Yul & Linda Vazquez
- ✧ Andrew M. Katzenstein
- ✧ Raymond Gindi
- ✧ Margo Golos
- ✧ Dorothy & Sue Jacobson
- ✧ In memory of Mollie Burtnick by Sid Burtnick
- ✧ In memory of Anthony Burtnick by Sid Burtnick
- ✧ In memory of Mariam Solomon by James Jonas
- ✧ In honor of Mort Sadinsky's birthday by Carole Hoffman
- ✧ Get well wishes for Doris Siskin by

Carole Hoffman

- ✧ In memory of Herb Robbins by Ina & Mike Kushner
- ✧ In memory of Richard Frank by Ina & Mike Kushner
- ✧ In memory of Tom Leyden by Charlotte & Marcus Kantz
- ✧ In honor of Mort Sadinsky's 90th birthday by Lee & Anita Adelsberg

Kate Stein Music Fund

- ✧ In memory of Leah Stryzinski by Beth Wladis

Milton Hample Fund

- ✧ In memory of Leon Horwitz by Ronni Levine

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

- ✧ In memory of Shirley Halperin by the Halperin Family
- ✧ In memory of Paul Shore by Tom & Suzanne Hesselson
- ✧ In memory of Herb Robbins by Tom & Suzanne Hesselson
- ✧ In memory of Richard Frank by Tom & Suzanne Hesselson
- ✧ In memory of Cecile Fuchs by Len Schreiber
- ✧ In memory of Leon Horwitz by Mike Gaffey
- ✧ In memory of Leon Horwitz by Edward Sandler

Siddur Prayer Book & Dedication

- ✧ In honor of Mort Sadinsky by Myra & Jerry Stemerman
- ✧ In memory of Leon Horwitz by Colleen Hart
- ✧ In memory of Tess Rothstein by Suzanne & Tom Hesselson

Sisterhood Kitchen Fund

- ✧ In memory of Loda Golos by Maddy & Larry Dolkart

Mazal Tov

To David & Alyssa Nard on the birth of their daughter Anna Jane on September 27, 2018. The proud grandparents are Hermine & Larry Shapiro.

In Memoriam

Our heartfelt condolences to Jeffrey A. Horwitz & Ellie Bogdonoff, Gayle M. Horwitz & David Kolodny and families on the death of their father, Leon Horwitz.

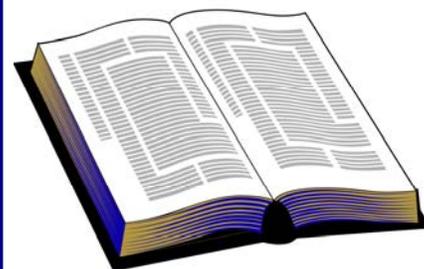
Zich'rono liv'rachah, may his memory be for a blessing.

All information for the July–August issue of the *Kol Ami* must be submitted to one of the organizational offices by **June 10**. Please be sure that all dates are on the JCF calendar.

Talmud for Non-Talmudists

with

Rabbi Oren Steinitz



Mondays

at 7:30 PM

June 3, 10, 17, and 24

no Hebrew required

Knitzvah news

Hi all. Just recapping our Knitzvah meeting on April 25. All of us are doing our own ideas... two working on lap robes, two on children's toys, and one on a sweater. Until fall, I suggest we continue to do that. Come September, we can reevaluate the needs of VA, Homeless, Hospice and Safe House.

I suggested that our last meeting of spring should be at my house, as it was last year, for dinner. We decided on Thursday, June 6, at 6:00 p.m. A menu was discussed at our May 9 meeting. Thank you to each one for continuing to knit or crochet for good causes.

—Sharon DeHaas

Yahrzeits

June	Iyar	11 Evelyn Stein	8	21 Rhoda Maisel	18
1 Maurice Stemerman	27	11 David Lewis	8	22 Rubin Adelsberg	19
2 Norbert Friedman	28	11 Max Jerome	8	22 Frances S. Lovitch	19
2 Herman Rubin	28	12 Irving Eagle	9	22 Sheila Schweitzer	19
3 Evelyn Donner	29	12 Stella Padia	9	22 Saul Siskin	19
3 Bernard Etkind	29	12 Fannie Solomom	9	22 Etta Wladis	19
3 Suzanne Hersch	29	13 Beatrice Barrett	10	23 Ethel S. Delphinus	20
3 Harry Zacher	29	13 Adeline Rosenheck	10	23 Celia Frank	20
		13 Louis Weinstein	10	23 Manford Rosenheck	20
June	Sivan	13 Rose Braude	10	23 Rose Bucholtz	20
4 Lewis Beckwith	1	14 Susan Adelsberg	11	23 Celia S. Frank	20
4 Max Rosenheck	1	14 Rezeal T. Kantz	11	24 Maurice Kohn	21
4 Maurice J. Radin	1	14 Mollie Katz	11	24 Jacob Ruben Fink	21
5 Sadie Amsel	2	14 Hyman Phillips	11	25 Abraham Wladis	22
5 Ruth C. Lebowitz	2	16 Robert Steinitz	13	26 Yosef Greene	23
6 Janet Abelson	3	16 Martin J. Radin	13	26 Marion Wertheimer	23
6 Morris Dobromil	3	16 Rebecca F. Hoffman	13	26 Herman Prell	23
6 Rosalia Johnson	3	16 Betty ("Betts") F. Komer	13	26 Herman Ray Prell	23
7 Wolf M. Spiegel	4	17 Regina Tobias Marks	14	27 Jennie F. Appel	24
7 Harry Rubinstein	4	18 Dina Jacobson	15	27 Josef Stein	24
8 Hoda Epstein	5	18 Johanna Lorey	15	29 Shirley Pollack	26
9 Irene Louise Burtnick	6	18 Louise F. Ogrinc	15	30 Florence Seltzer	27
9 George Scheps	6	18 Issac Desky	15	30 Abraham Stemerman	27
9 Dena Roseman	6	19 S. Gerald Horwitz	16	30 Fannie Warshaw	27
9 Irene Burtnick	6	20 Steve Golby	17		
10 Dudley "Duff" Leavitt	7	20 Vivian Pensky	17		
10 Bess Rubin	7	20 Abraham Lande	17		
10 Abraham Siskin	7	20 Steve Golby	17		
10 Joseph Johnson	7	21 Max Golos	18		
10 Bertha Lande	7	21 Frances Kahn	18		

Names of Confederate soldiers buried in Woodlawn National Cemetery are included above.



Shavuot 5779

Tikkun Leil Shavuot Saturday, June 8, 8:30 PM

Rabbi Oren Steinitz – *"Ivdu et HaShem b'Simchah: Serve God with Joy"*
Malachi Doane – *"Ma'madot: Reviving Jewish Customs from Antiquity for the Modern World"*

Maggid Paul Solyn – *"Here a Mitzvah, There a Mitzvah"*

Shavuot Morning Service with Yizkor Sunday, June 9, 9:30 AM

Community Kitchen



Generous volunteers from CKA and JCF prepare and serve lunch at the Elmira Community Kitchen on the first Thursday of every month. Our next dates are June 6 and July 4. If you can help, please contact Gil Sweet. Cooks, food-preparers, shoppers, servers... you name it, we need you! Cash donations may be made through the JCF.

Sisterhood donor dinner announced

Sisterhood announces that this year's Donor Dinner is Tuesday, June 11, at 6:00 at the Horseheads Hilton Garden Inn. We are excited to have Cantor Abbe Lyons of Ithaca, NY, who will present her program Kolot Nashim, Women's Voices in Jewish Music. Cantor Lyons is dedicated to enhancing the spiritual and

emotional power of music and Jewish learning in everyday life as well as in sacred spaces. She is on the faculty at ALEPH Ordination Programs, where she received *smicha* as Hazzan in 2010. She is a Hillel professional at Ithaca College, where she received a B.Mus. Cantor Lyons performs solo and with her band,

Resonate. She has four recordings, and has worked at numerous places as Cantor, Spiritual Leader, and educator. We look forward to our stimulating and exciting evening with Cantor Abbe Lyons.

Please call the CKA office for your reservation.

Anita Adelsberg & Teri Doerksen

Birthdays

Susan Cadel
Seth Green
Gia Isabella Kadar
Gabriel Herbst
Jeffrey Sigel
Lynnette Lenzner
Risa Salsburg
Elijah Liebson
Sylvia Friedman
Alex Porter
David Siskin

Meredith Moore
Nanette L. Barcus
Hunter Lares
Erica Herman
Zsuzsana Kadar
Lauren Pepper
Caren Douenias
Natalie Steinmetz
Jonathan Friedman
David Sussman

Anniversaries

Sharon & Daniel Sporn
Carol & Edwin Braunstein
Beth & Lee Herbst
Marilyn & Alex Rabinowitz
Lynn & Michael Lloyd
Lauren & Lloyd Pepper

Adult Education

Open to the entire community

Saturdays at 9:00 a.m.: Breakfast and discussion. Attend the brief Shabbat morning service at 8:30 and stay for breakfast, or come for breakfast and stay for the full Shabbat service at 9:30.

Mondays, June 3, 10, 17, and 24, at 7:30 p.m.: "Talmud for Non-Talmudists" with Rabbi Oren Steinitz.

Saturday, June 8, at 8:30 p.m.: Tikkun Leil Shavuot with Rabbi Oren Steinitz, Malachi Doane, and Maggid Paul Solyn.

We want to thank the Kol Ami and Elmira community for the many condolences we have received regarding the death of our daughter Tess. We were very touched. It is a reminder of how fortunate we were to raise our family in such a small and supportive community.

Joyce Wasserman and Andy Rothstein

CKA Book Club

All meetings are in the Jerome & Etkind Library on the second Wednesday of each month at noon. Borrow these from the CKA library, ask for them at the public library, or purchase them, and join us. Don't forget to bring your lunch!

June 19: *The Catcher Was A Spy* by Nicholas Davidoff

Office hours

Congregation Kol Ami: Monday–Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.,
Friday 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Jewish Center and Federation:
Monday–Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., and by appointment.

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Jewish Community School



from Director Jeff Rosenheck

It is hard to believe but the 5779 school year is coming to a close. May was a short month, characterized by the Jewish Food Festival, which brought a musical presentation to the school students. A huge thanks goes to Harriet Sweet for facilitating that presentation.

On May 31, we congratulate Noah Goldwyn on his Confirmation and the formal ending to his Jewish Edu-

cation. Noah has already agreed to serve as a teaching assistant in the fall, and we are honored to have him on board. More on his confirmation in the summer issue.

The final day of the year will fall on Sunday, June 2. The community is invited to closing ceremonies that will occur at 11:45 a.m. The event will include awards, some student performances and ice cream sun-

daes.

The 5780 school year is sure to present numerous positive changes. Stay tuned to the summer issue for news and developments!

Thanks to everyone for a wonderful year. To the parents and students, staff, school board and community at large! The JCS is so fortunate to have all of you!

Class News

Ganon (Pre-K): It's hard to believe that our school year has reached the end. We have learned about so many things: Shabbat, mitzvah, holidays, songs, prayers, games and lots of new vocabulary words. We have made new friends of our classmates and had lots of fun with them.

A huge thank you to all of the JCS staff, the administrator, Mr. Rosenheck, and the school board for helping to make our year such a great learning experience. We are looking forward to more exciting learning adventures next year.

Kathy Rosenheck

Kitah Alef (1): The Alef class accomplished a great deal this year. They learned about Israel, celebrated the Jewish holidays, read stories about Jewish values and customs, learned the alef-bet and a few Hebrew words. Additionally, the stu-

dents had fun with art projects, music, dance and free time to get to know each other through play.

I wish everyone a good summer and look forward to the next school year in the fall.

Rivka Miran

Kitot Gimel & Vav (3 & 6): It has been such a wonderful year with your children! It is such a joy to work with students who are so bright, inquisitive and eager to learn. All of your children bring their own unique strengths and ideas to our classes. They all have so much to share and truly enjoy the lessons we study. In Kitah Vav, the class has really enjoyed our in-depth studies of the holidays that are such an integral and important part of our heritage.

In Kitah Gimel, the class has learned so much from the Bible stories we have studied in *The Ex-*

plorer's Bible, vol. 2. They have also gained wonderful insights and meaningful information from *A Kid's Mensch Handbook*. The growth that they have all shown throughout the year is inspiring! Again, a huge thank you to Noah Goldwyn for all of his help and hard work! Have a wonderful and safe summer!

Donna Rothenberg

Kitot Vav & Zayin (6 & 7): Classes are busy finishing up course work for the year. My hopes are that they have learned that being Jewish is both a privilege and an obligation to yourself, your community and to the world. I know from discussions with each of them that they are compassionate young people and we as a Jewish community can be proud they represent us both at Kol Ami but in their local communities as well.

Amanda Sharp

FLOWERS FOR THE BIMAH

*It is our congregation's long-standing tradition to adorn the bimah
with flowers for the Sabbath:*

in memory of in honor of in celebration of.

Please call Sue King, evenings 607-734-8468, for cost, information, and to reserve a date. Thank you.

Hospital Visits & Mi-shebeirach List

Due to HIPPA, no hospital can divulge names of patients unless a release is signed. Upon hospitalization, please complete necessary paperwork so that the CKA office and Rabbi Oren Steinitz will be notified, or call the CKA office.

Graduates

Pamela Alexis Miller, daughter of Cheryl Miller and the late Keith Miller, graduated from Boston University with a master's degree in Public Health in December, 2018. She will be attending Emory University in Atlanta, GA, to further her education in the medical field.

Sophia King is graduating with AP Honors from St. Michael's High School in Santa Fe, NM. She will be attending Holy Cross College in Worcester MA, majoring in Psychology and Political Science. Sophie is the daughter of Adam and Maria King, sister of Gabriel King, and granddaughter of Susan King.

Gabriel King is graduating from the University of Notre Dame with membership in Etta Kappa Nu, the international honor society of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, and Gamma Kappa Alpha.

He has accepted a position in computer engineering in Seattle, WA.
Gabriel is the son of Adam and Maria King, brother of Sophie King, and grandson of Susan King.

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Jewish Community Calendar

June 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 CKA 8:30 am Shabbat Service 9:30 am Shabbat Service <div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">Yom Yerushalayim</div>
2 JCS Last Day of School w/H 8 & 9 11:45 Closing Ceremony 12:30 Ice Cream Social 12:45 Faculty Meeting CKA 9:00 am Annual Meeting <div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">Yom Yerushalayim</div>	3 CKA 7:30 pm Talmud Class	4	5 RSVP due for Sisterhood Donor Dinner	6 Community Kitchen JCF 7:00 Film <i>On the Basis of Sex</i>	7 CKA 7:30 pm Shabbat Service	8 CKA 8:30 am Shabbat Service 9:30 am Shabbat Service 8:30 pm Tikkun Leil Shavuot <div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">Shavuot</div>
9 CKA 9:30 am Shavuot Service w/Yizkor <div style="border: 1px dashed black; padding: 2px; text-align: center;">Shavuot</div>	10 CKA 7:30 pm Talmud Class	11 CKA Sisterhood 6:00 pm Donor Dinner at Hilton Garden Inn	12 CKA 6 pm Exec. Board 7pm Trustees Meeting	13 Jewish Food Festival Meeting	14 CKA 6:00 pm Dish-to- Pass Dinner 7:30 pm Shabbat Service	15 CKA 9:30 am Shabbat Ruach
16 Father's Day	17 CKA 7:30 pm Talmud Class	18 JCF Annual Meeting 5:30 pm Dinner 6:30 pm Meeting	19 CKA 12:00 Book Club	20	21 CKA 7:30 pm Shabbat Service	22 CKA 8:30 am Shabbat Service 9:30 am Shabbat Service
23	24 CKA 7:30 pm Talmud Class	25	26 JCF/CKA 11:00 am Calendar Clearing	27	28 CKA 7:30 pm Music Shabbat	29 CKA 8:30 am Shabbat Service 9:30 am Shabbat Service
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