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Stay cool with these Summer Programs led by Rabbi Sussman

Check out these Religious and Educational Events

Saturday, July 20
10:30 a.m.

Shabbat Morning Service
"Job and the Question of Evil
in Judaism"

Friday, July 26

8:00 p.m. Shabbat Evening
Service
Rabbi Sussman special lecture
after services (during Oneg)
"Start Worrying, Details To
Follow: Jews and Comedy In
America"
(See back cover for a program
description.)

Saturday, August 10
5:30 p.m.

Havdalah Service at the Shore

Friday, August 16

7:00 p.m. Sabbath for the Soul

Saturday, August 17

10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Morning Service
"God: A Biography"

Saturday, August 24

10:30 a.m.
Shabbat Morning Service
"'Hath Not A Jew Eyes': The
Shadow of Shylock"

Saturday, August 31

8:00 p.m. Selichot Service

Shamati: We are Listening to You

A growing number of congregants have requested that KI begin "Sabbath for the Soul" and the Shabbat Family Service at an earlier time. For this coming year we will alternate Family Services with "Sabbath for the Soul" on the third Friday of each month.

Beginning with the "Sabbath for the Soul" service on Friday, August 16, the starting time is 7 p.m.



President's Message



Arnold Meshkov
President

From the President

As your new president, I welcome the opportunity to share some thoughts about various topics, both Jewish and not. As a child of this synagogue, I am honored by the trust you have placed in me and my officers.

Summer is upon us, and the long days and sultry weather give us a chance to slow down a bit, and to enjoy our friends, children, and family more than we do the rest of the year. The pleasures and serenity of a beach and the ocean, a hike in the mountains, fishing from a pier, being on a boat on the water, or a dip in a swimming pool refresh the soul and allow a pause from the frantic pace of life. I hope that all of you will be able to carve out some time for those moments when the world seems to stand still, and you can just enjoy being alive.

Spirituality is an evasive thing, a feeling that comes upon us too rarely, and often in surprising ways. The outdoors, particularly the sailing of a boat, or skiing down a mountain, lifts my spirits. I hope all of us find those things that transcend and refresh our souls.

Throughout the summer months services and other activities continue at KI. During Friday night services in our Sanctuary, the beauty of the room, and the wonderful sound of the familiar prayers said and sung by our cantor and the congregation, make this one of those special spiritual experiences. Rabbi Sussman also continues to give special Friday night lectures as well as Saturday Morning Summer Sermons. Perhaps, this is the summer to give one of these services a try. I do not think you will

be disappointed.

Our Torah Study group meets every Saturday at 9:00 a.m. in the Meyers Library. For the "people of the Book," this is our time to delve into the "book," our Torah. We may read a great deal or maybe not so much of the Torah, but the learning is always stimulating, and the discussion lively. Don't worry if you have missed some of the story, because next year the same *Parashah* comes up for discussion again! There is coffee to purchase, some left over treats from the Oneg, and no charge for admission. You might even find your President in attendance, and if you are very nice, you can offer him your suggestions.

Our Jewish summer will be a shorter one than normal. Due to our lunar calendar, the High Holy Days "come early" this year, correlating with Labor Day, the "unofficial end of summer." The fall is always an exciting time at KI, with children returning to school, (now called JQuest at KI) and so many cultural events. It is sometimes hard to choose which play, lecture or concert to attend.

You should definitely plan to spend some time in our synagogue during the High Holy Days. KI is more than just a place of worship; it is a synagogue that "talks the talk, and walks the walk" when it comes to committing itself to the cultural and educational betterment of our community. Summer is still here, so continue to enjoy the slower pace of life. In August start thinking about the fall and all that lies ahead.

Shir KI Choir Rehearsals Move to Tuesday Night

Now is the time to join the KI Adult choir, Shir KI. Rehearsals for the High Holy Days begin in August. Your requirements for joining the choir are:

1. Love of singing and Jewish music.
2. Desire for a wonderful community that cares about one another.
3. Seeking the amazing opportunity to work with KI's fabulous music team: Hazzan David Tilman, choir director, Andrew Senn, organist, and Cantor Amy Levy.
4. Looking for a deeper connection to Jewish tradition and spirituality.

The first Rehearsal is on **Tuesday August 6**. Sacred Music Rehearsals are every Tuesday (unless otherwise noted) in the Chapel from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. Find a home for your singing soul in Shir KI.

Shir KI Rehearsal Schedule

Tuesday, August 6 Welcome Back Dessert Reception and Rehearsal 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, August 13 Rehearsal

Tuesday, August 20 Rehearsal

Tuesday, August 27 Rehearsal

Tuesday, September 3 Rehearsal

Wednesday, September 4, warm-up 7:15 pm;
8:00 pm Rosh Hashanah Services

Thursday, September 5, warm-up 9:15 am;
10:00 am Rosh Hashanah Services

Tuesday, September 10, Rehearsal

Friday, September 13, warm-up 7:15 pm;
8:00 pm Yom Kippur Service

Saturday, September 14, warm-up 9:15 am;
10:00 am Yom Kippur Service

Cantor's Message



Cantor Amy Levy

Created Equal

This summer, in addition to leading a congregational trip to Israel (I think my 24th!), I have been working on a special exhibit, "Created Equal: Jeffersonian Jews, Secular Culture and the Shaping of American Judaism." The exhibit will open on February 19, 2014 at the Center for Jewish History in New York City (near Union Square). As information on the exhibit becomes available I will share it with you. I hope I will be able to host a KI event at the Center in the spring of 2014.

Doing the research for this project has been fabulous. I spent time in the Archives of the American Jewish Historical Society in New York, in the Rare Book Room at the Princeton University Library and in the Reading Room of the Library Company of Philadelphia, a true gem of an institution in Center City, worth a visit!

Altogether, I have identified over 150 original objects, books and handwritten letters from 1776-1865 to illustrate the exhibit. There is everything from early American Jewish prayer books to theater playbills featuring John Wilkes Booth in the role of Shylock. I also found important items in our own KI Archives and Museum. It has been a remarkable, eye opening experience.

What did I learn? I learned that most American Jews, after Independence and for decades thereafter, considered themselves to be Jeffersonians. For one thing, the other party, Hamilton's Federalists, tended to be openly anti-

Semitic. However, even more important to them was Jefferson's indefatigable advocacy of the separation of Church and State and his invitation to the Jews and others to join him in the study of the sciences and advancement of secular culture. In other words, Jefferson offered political enfranchisement, freedom of religion and a path to acculturation without assimilation. In short, Jefferson offered Jews a way to be both Americans as a matter of conviction and constitutional right. In time, millions of Jews would choose this path and make the United States home to one of the greatest Jewish communities of all time.

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As I finish my work on this project and begin to turn my attention to the High Holy Days, I think about how thankful I am that my grandparents decided to come to this country. We live in peace, security and prosperity, at least compared to most of the world. We have constitutional rights unimaginable to our ancestors. We have the privilege to gather as a community of faith publicly, openly and proudly without fear of

attack or recrimination. All this from a well-read Colonial planter who had a dream about a new kind of republic called the United States of America.

As you enjoy your summer, take a moment to think about how lucky all of us are to live, work and worship in this land. May the rest of your summer be fun and safe and we will see each other "in gladness" in 5774.

I wish you a very early *Shana Tova*.

Rabbi's Message



Rabbi Lance Sussman, Ph.D.

Rabbi Forums

Be sure to save these dates for Rabbi Sussman Sunday Morning Forums in the coming year.

Fall 2013 Forum: Three Presidents and the Jews

November 3 – FDR and the Jews: Has the jury reached a verdict?
November 17 – Lincoln and the Jews
November 24 – Ronald Reagan and the Jews

Spring 2014 Forum: Jews & Culture in America

(In conjunction with Rabbi Sussman's Exhibit in NYC)
May 4 – Jews & Theater
May 11 – Jews in Science and Medicine
May 18 – Jews & Law

Welcome to *Shalom KI*



Shalom
THE BULLETIN OF KENESETH ISRAEL & THE MEYERS LIBRARY

The July/August edition of the bulletin features a new look, new designer, and a new name. Prior to this, a committee met for more than a year to determine how to redesign and update our monthly bulletin. They researched other bulletins and sought information from the KI membership. They decided to create a bright inviting design, which reflects the KI Core Values. Following much discussion, we renamed the monthly newsletter: *Shalom KI: The Bulletin of Keneseth Israel and The Meyers Library*. It was felt that this title reflects the focus of the publication and Congregation.

The committee reviewed proposals from several graphic designers, before selecting Lori Cohen as our new designer. Lori understands our needs and has the ability to produce a bulletin with a fresh look and enhanced readability. She even has extensive experience designing Synagogue Bulletins! Enjoy the first issue of *Shalom KI*. Please share your comments and suggestions with me at: etilman@kenesethisrael.org

Ellen Tilman, *Editor*

July 12 to August 31, 2013 Worship Schedule



Friday, July 12
Shabbat Devarim –
Deuteronomy 1:1
8:00 p.m. Shabbat
Evening Service

Saturday, July 13
9:00 a.m. Torah Study
10:30 a.m. Shabbat
Morning Service

Friday, July 19
Shabbat Va'etchanan
– Deuteronomy 3:23
8:00 p.m. Shabbat
Evening Service

Saturday, July 20
9:00 a.m. Torah Study
10:30 a.m. Shabbat
Morning Service –
Rabbi Sussman's
Summer Series
"Job and the question
of Evil in Judaism"

Friday, July 26
Shabbat Ekev –
Deuteronomy 7:12
8:00 p.m. Shabbat
Evening Service
– Rabbi Sussman
special lecture
"Jews & Comedy
in America"

Saturday, July 27
9:00 a.m. Torah Study
10:30 a.m. Shabbat
Morning

Friday, August 2
Shabbat Re'eh –
Deuteronomy 11:26
8:00 p.m. Family
Shabbat Service

Saturday, August 3
9:00 a.m. Torah Study
10:30 a.m. Shabbat
Morning Service

Friday, August 9
Shabbat Shoftim –
Deuteronomy 16:18
6:00 p.m. Tot Shabbat
8:00 p.m. Shabbat
Evening Service

Saturday, August 10
9:00 a.m. Torah Study
10:30 a.m. Shabbat
Morning Service
5:30 p.m. Havdalah
Service at the Shore

Friday, August 16
Shabbat Ki Tetze –
Deuteronomy 21:10
7:00 p.m. Sabbath for
the Soul

Saturday, August 17
9:00 a.m. Torah Study
10:30 a.m. Shabbat
Morning Service
– Rabbi Sussman
Summer Series
"God: A Biography"
2:00 p.m. Rydal Park
Shabbat

Friday, August 23
Shabbat Ki Tavoh –
Deuteronomy 26:1
8:00 p.m. Shabbat
Evening Service

Saturday, August 24
9:00 a.m. Torah Study
10:30 a.m. Shabbat
Morning Service
– Rabbi Sussman
Summer Series
"Hath not a Jew
eyes": The Shadow
of Shylock"

Friday, August 30
Shabbat Nitzavim-
Vayelech –
Deuteronomy 29:9
8:00 p.m. Shabbat
Evening Service

Saturday, August 31
9:00 a.m. Torah Study
10:30 a.m. Shabbat
Morning Service
8:00 p.m. Selichot
Service

Torah Time - Shabbat Readings

July/August 2013/5773

Judaism is a religion of "the Book." Every Shabbat and holiday is enhanced with a selection from the Torah and related portions from other sections of the *Tanach* (the Hebrew Bible). The following includes citations for the reading of Scripture in the synagogue for the month ahead as well as a brief summary of the *parashot* and *haftarot*. For more extensive investigation of the weekly Torah portion, please consider attending KI's lively Torah Study Havurah, which meets every Saturday morning in the synagogue Library at 9:00 a.m. and is led by our rabbinic staff.

Rabbi Lance J. Sussman, Ph.D.

Devarim

July 13
Deut. 1:1
Plaut, p. 1312/1159
Devarim ("Words") is the first section of the fifth book of the Torah, Deuteronomy. This book is unique in the Torah because it is mostly presented in the first person voice, with Moses delivering his farewell messages to the Jewish people. These messages include both a review of Israelite history as well as a recapitulation of the legislation given to the people by Moses. Like the Torah portion, the Haftarah is a sweeping literary summary of the life of ancient Israel. Isaiah 1:1 is also a Haftarah of Rebuke.

Va'etchanan

July 20
Deut. 3:23
Plaut, p. 1333/1184
Va'etchanan contains an alternative text of the Ten Commandments (Deut. 5), the *Shema* (Deut. 6:4) and *V'Ahavta* (Deut. 6:5). This week's Haftarah is the first of seven "Haftarot of Consolation" read after the observance of the Fast of Av (9 Av).

Ekev

July 27
Deut. 7:12
Plaut, p. 1379/1226
Ekev is a continuation of Moses' Second Discourse and review of the events of the Exodus. Both the Torah portion and the Haftarah stress Israel's "vital duty to maintain its religious identity" and national purpose.



Classic Rock Shabbat!

Thank you to the Jewveniles for making Classic Rock Shabbat in June so rocking!

Worship

Re'eh

August 3

27 Av

Deut. 11:26

Is. 54:11

Plaut, p. 1417/1255

Plaut, 1604/1290

This portion contains extensive Deuteronomic legislation as well as a review of the Jewish calendar. The Haftarah includes a profound call “to return to God.”

Shoftim

August 10

Deut. 16:18

Is. 51:12

Plaut, p. 1456/1292

Plaut, 1607/1316

Deuteronomy 16:20 states “Justice, justice, you shall pursue,” one of the grand summaries of Judaism’s basic teachings. Subsequent teachings describe the duties of the king, priests and prophets of Israel. The Haftarah is the fourth “Message of Consolation” following the Ninth of Av.

Ki Tetze

August 17

Deut. 21:10

Isaiah 54:1

Plaut, 1482/1320

Plaut, 1612/1345

The final laws enunciated by the Torah deal with family and other legal matters. Included among the many *halachot* (Jewish religious laws) this week are fit punishment for rebellious children, proper burial of the dead, respect for one’s neighbor’s property, building safety codes, rape, interest rates and laws regulating divorce. The Haftarah, part of the series in the wake of Tisha B’Av, offers words of consolation from the prophet Isaiah. “As I swore the waters of Noah nevermore would flood the earth,” Isaiah says in the name of God, “so I swear I will not be angry with you.” Together, the Torah and the Haftarah offer a portrait of a just society and a hopeful tomorrow.

Torah for Ki Tavoh

August 24

Deut. 26:1

Isaiah 60:1

Plaut, 1508/1347

Plaut, p. 1614/1368

Ki Tavo begins with plans for dramatic ceremonies “to mark Israel’s arrival in the Land” of Israel. It then goes on to urge the people to keep all the terms of the covenant by invoking the principle of *lex talionis*, namely that cooperation will bring blessings to the people and disobedience will result in curses and disaster. The message of the Torah is softened by another Haftarah of Consolation. Again, the prophet Isaiah announces that Israel, long punished for its ancient misbehavior, will face

a brighter future. “Arise, shine,” the Haftarah begins, “for your light has dawned!”

Nitzavim – Vayelech*

August 31

Deut. 29:9

Isaiah 61:10

Plaut p. 1537/1372

Plaut, p. 1618/1382

The beginning of this portion, actually part of an extended sermon by Moses at the end of the Exodus, is familiar to us as the [Reform] Torah reading for the morning of Yom Kippur. Seemingly a description of our own communal behavior, the portion portrays our ancestors as a vast congregation assembled to renew its allegiance to the pact between the people of Israel and its God. The “Second” portion, Vayelech, reports on the “last days of Moses.” The Haftarah, the seventh message of consolation, reminds us that “for the sake of Zion, I will not be silent.”



Our Main Sanctuary is now looped for those who have T-Coil-Enabled Hearing aids or cochlear implant processors. Additionally, the FM system is also available.

Trees for Israel

If you wish to purchase a tree in the KI Forest in Israel, please contact Beryl Halpern (215-635-0452). She will be glad to mail a beautiful tree certificate for you. The cost is \$10.50 per tree.

Mail checks, payable to: KI Forest, Keneseth Israel, 8339 Old York Road, Elkins Park, PA 19027. Attn: Beryl Halpern.



Meet Our President

In June Dr. Arnold Meshkov was elected President of Keneseth Israel. His affiliation with the congregation goes back to his youth. Arnold was raised in Wyncote and attended KI Religious School. He became a Bar Mitzvah at KI in 1963 and is a member of our 1965 Confirmation class. He graduated from Cheltenham High School in 1967 and counts Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu among his classmates.

Arnold received a Bachelor’s Degree from the University of Pennsylvania and graduated from its Medical school in 1976. He practiced cardiology for many years and is currently a Professor of Clinical Medicine at Temple University School of Medicine and Chairman of the Ethics Committee.

He met his wife, Norma, at KI. Arnold says that at first she didn’t like him. She had a boyfriend “who drove a Corvair and blew great smoke rings.” They were also classmates at Cheltenham High School. Norma and Arnold were married by Dr. Bertram Korn in December of 1970 and will soon celebrate 43 years of marriage. The Meshkov’s have two children and three grandchildren. Son, Adam is married to Eleanor, and the parents of Harriet (age 3) and one year old twins, Samuel and Madeleine. Their daughter Karen is married to Matthew Pillischer.

Arnold gives credit to his mother-in-law, Harriet Messinger (zl), for bringing the young Meshkov family back to KI. Since becoming active in the 1990’s he served on the Board of Directors/Trustees for about 5 years prior to becoming an officer. He was Assistant Treasurer and a First Vice President. Arnold is the first President of KI whose spouse has also served the Congregation as President.

In his spare time, Arnold enjoys seeing his grandchildren, sailing, skiing, and doing photography. He is a strong believer in the Reform movement and looks forward to helping Keneseth Israel continue to grow and prosper.

From the Museum



The Temple Judea Museum (TJM) fall 2013 exhibition is **“Dear Carl, By (sic) Carrots, Love Mollie”**: **When Jewish Food was the Family Business**. It is a loving look back at the heyday of Kosher catering and the world of Jewish food businesses between the 1950s and the end of the 20th century. Included will be Mollie the Kosher Caterer; Betty the Caterer, Rosen’s Famous Bakery, Sussman’s Grocer and more. As always, a TJM exhibition will include art work created expressly for the exhibition by artists of the Temple Judea Museum Artists Collaborative and by selected guest artists.

For the first time a silent auction will accompany the show as a number of artists will paint and decorate old fashioned wooden spoons. Each one will be unique and will be a collector’s item.

The exhibition will be a part of a city-wide, multi-year project organized by The Feinstein Center for American Jewish History at Temple University entitled, “What is Your Food Worth?” Lila Corwin Berman, Murray Friedman Chair of American Jewish History, Associate Professor, Department of History and Director of the Feinstein Center will speak at KI as part of a museum exhibition program. TJM Friends and KI members will be invited to attend other “What is Your Food Worth” programs.

The exhibition will fill the gallery and showcases from mid-August through mid-December and there will be programs each month, including those co-sponsored by the Meyers Library and the Woman of KI. We hope, as well, to offer nostalgic taste treats of wonderful Jewish foods. Look for upcoming announcements of the program schedule.

The Guest curator for the “Dear Carl...” exhibition is artist Diane Pieri, Mollie Ochroch’s granddaughter. I asked her to write up some of her memories of working on Mollie’s team. Here is the first one:

Granny and Me

“When I was 13, my maternal grandmother, Mollie Ochroch, AKA Mollie the Kosher Caterer, started taking me on catering jobs in the summer and training me to display cakes on silver trays. At first I could only work under her strict supervision.

She would show me specifically how to display the petit-fours based on color and shape. Her walnut torte was displayed another way and she always cut it for me. It wasn’t until I was about 16 that she let me cut the cake in the pan myself, always making sure I dipped the knife in hot water so the icing wouldn’t glop up on the knife.

Strudel was displayed a different way and always on a round silver tray. Every cake and cookie, and even the After Dinner Mints from Woods Chocolates on Ogontz Avenue, had their own tray shape and size, not to mention the different doilies for each tray. I always thought doilies were so exotic and fancy.

When I was young, she would explain the display set-up every time I went on a job, which was almost every weekend during the summer months because of all the weddings. After a couple of years, I graduated to displaying cakes on the job and making gallon jars of melon balls before the jobs. I still have the tool I used all those years ago. By the time I was 25, I was the chief cake displayer, melon ball maker, sometimes cook prep and pot washer on the jobs and I loved every minute of it.”

I am sure that every visitor to the “Dear Carl...” exhibition will also love.....*every minute of it.*

Rita Rosen Poley
Museum Curator/Director

Book of Remembrance

Every Congregant should have received Book of Remembrance information in the mail. These should be returned with payment to Tracy Greenbaum in the main office by August 14. If you have not received or have misplaced your form, please contact Tracy.

Sabbath for the Soul
Spirituality through Sound and Image

Friday, August 16, 2013
Feat. Ross M. Levy and the Levites
Shabbat Evening at 7pm
Wine and Cheese at 6:30pm

Share Your Simcha

Share your simcha
at an Oneg Shabbat.
Call the KI office
215-886-1297.





From the Meyers Library

The Meyers Library is open this summer to serve your reading and study needs. Get a head start on your fall reading by coming into the library now. We are open on Tuesday mornings from 10 am to 12 noon for the remainder of July. In August, the library will be open on Tuesday and Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Don't Miss These Books for Late Summer Reading

For fiction readers, we have the latest Gabriel Allon novel, *The English Girl* by Daniel Silva. Popular novelist, Faye Kellerman just published her newest Peter Decker mystery, *Beast*. Fashionistas and those looking for "glam" will enjoy Lauren Weissberger's new book, *Revenge Wears Prada*.

Non-fiction fans should take a look at the *American Jewish Story Through Cinema* by former Philadelphian, Dr. Eric Goldman. In *Relational Judaism*, Ron Wolfson explores the Religious aspects of community and fellowship. Don't ignore *Jewish Men Pray* by Rabbi Kerry Olitzky. All of these books are new additions to the Meyers Library.

New Children's Books for the High Holidays

There are several new picture books for young children on Rosh Hashanah in the library. *What a Way to Start a New Year* by Jacqueline Jules discusses moving to a new city and feeling alone for the holidays. In *I'm Sorry, Grover* by Tilda Balsley and Ellen Fischer, Brosh can't find his blue cap. His friends find it and Brosh learns the importance of saying "I'm Sorry." Sylvia Rouss has just published the latest in the Sammy Spider series, *Sammy Spider's First Yom Kippur*. She also has a new Board Book for toddlers, *Sammy Spider's First Book of Jewish Holidays*. It has one page and one fact on each Jewish holiday.

If you would like to receive information on new acquisitions, library events and updates please send your email address to library@kenesethisrael.org and ask to be added to the special Meyers Library email list.

Library Activities

Do you like to read books? Do you like to write book reviews? The Meyers Library plans to start a library blog. We need reporters to share book recommendations; stories; and reviews. Do you like to use the Internet? The Meyers Library is looking for a volunteer to sell some of the books that have been "weeded" from our collection. We know that someone in "computer-land" is looking for these treasures! If interested in any of these projects contact the Meyers Library 215-887-8700 x122 or library@kenesethisrael.org

Adult Book Discussion Group

The Meyers Library will again host our very popular Adult Book Discussion Group. The only requirement to join this group is that you have read the book. This is a moderated book discussion and not a book review. Participants are expected to share their insights, reactions, and comments with others who have also read the book. We will meet on **Tuesday October 1** at 1:30 p.m. in the Meyers Library to discuss *Once We Were Brothers* by Ronald Balson. This book has been a favorite of library patrons and other book groups.

The Family Cookbook

Sunday October 27 10:00 a.m.

The Meyers Library, Women of KI and the Temple Judea Museum are jointly sponsoring a Sunday morning program on The Family Cookbook. For generations Jewish families have shared their traditions and customs through the transmission of family recipes. Many collections have been published as family cookbooks. Hear from a panel of individuals who either use a family cookbook or who have produced one. Instructions will be provided for creating your unique collection of family recipes.

Story Hours

The library hopes to hold several Children's Hebrew Story hours in the coming year. If yours is a Hebrew speaking family with young children and you would like to be involved in this program, please send your name and contact information to the Meyers Library at library@kenesethisrael.org or call 215-887-8700 x122. We have an extensive collection of children's books in Hebrew.

Become A Library Volunteer.

We need YOU! The Meyers Library is a wonderful resource, with a huge selection of books for reading and research, a comfortable environment, and good coffee! Join the friendly volunteers who keep our library up to date! We have jobs you can do either in the library or from home, such as: Making phone calls; Collecting and organizing book reviews; Bringing the book cart to synagogue events; Creating book lists for holidays and special events; Coordinating author readings; and more! If you'd like to volunteer, e-mail library@kenesethisrael.org or call: 215-887-8700, x 122.

Remember that the Meyers Library is a wireless computer zone. Bring your laptop; enjoy a cup of gourmet coffee and explore the latest book arrivals. Make the KI Library your home away from home. The Meyers library is THE place to be. Visit us soon.

Ellen Tilman

Director of Library Services

M'daber Ivrit?

Do you speak Hebrew?

(Maybe a little...)

Do you want to learn to speak Hebrew?

Come to our NEW Hebrew Speaking Club

Tuesday evenings
from 7:30 to 8:30 pm
(Library)

All levels are welcome.

This is a conversation group. Reading Hebrew is not necessary.

Contact Janet Luterman for more information.
jsluterman@gmail.com or 215-266-4699

Help the Playscape Grow

When I started my position as the Director of Early Childhood Education at KI there were many exciting things happening in the Preschool. I loved taking a position here because the teachers were not only professional, but I could also sense their love and commitment to the school. The big news was not that a new Director was starting, but that a beautiful playground was being installed.

I was impressed by the dedication and hard work the parents and congregational community were putting into this project. It wasn't about just raising funds to support this project. They actually were putting the playground equipment together themselves. During a very hot and rainy Sunday we filled the sandboxes and took apart the old equipment and installed the new. This was not an easy task.

If one interviewed every child who has gone to our Preschool over the last eight years and asked about their favorite place in the Preschool, the answer would be the Playscape. Many families would respond the same way. Friendships have been formed by our families spending

time in the Playscape. This is a place to enjoy time with your child, while feeling part of a community.

Over the years we made several enhancements including the water feature, the beautiful enclosed outdoor classroom and the Astroturf or "fake grass" in the younger playground and a portion of the older children's playground. Our current task is to cover the middle grass area with Astroturf. Having this type of grass allows us to take the children out in all types of weather. It does not get muddy and it is easy to maintain. This will complete the project to beautify this space. The cost is \$18,000. We are planning several opportunities to help raise the funds to cover the expense.

We will hold a variety of fundraisers to raise the necessary dollars, but we are also asking for contributions. Whether it is a donation of \$36 or \$3600, any amount will help us reach our goal.

If you haven't been down to see the Playscape, please come check it out. It is an extension of the wonderful programming that goes on each day in the Preschool.

Have a wonderful summer.

Preschool News



Beth Rabinowitz
Director of
Early Childhood
Education

Outdoor fun for all!



A variety of Preschool activities take place in the outdoor playscape.



Sunday Morning Family Prayer: Join us this Fall

When I talk to parents about their experiences, what they are grateful for, and what their challenges are, I often hear similar stories. "I want my kid to be happy and healthy." "I want my child to understand how lucky we are." "I want this... We need this." Parents tell me how proud they are that their children are identifying passions and ways to be involved. Underneath they long for time to spend as a family, together. Talking, experiencing, and reflecting.

There are big challenges for families today. Religion at its core is about offering ways to support life's challenges. Prayer at its core is about carving out time to reflect, to notice what's good in life, to give thanks for what we have, and to articulate what we truly need. Right now, KI offers family prayer once a month on Friday nights and Junior Congregation several times a year on Saturday mornings. If we are serious about prayer we need to provide opportunities to pray, to connect to each other and that which is eternal, more often, and at a time that families are not already over-scheduled or exhausted. Much of Judaism is about tradition and repeating certain behaviors so that it becomes habitual and a natural thing to do. The more we find an

opportunity to pray, the more our families will come to feel that prayer is a natural way to reflect upon their week.

This coming year we will offer opportunities for parents and children to pray as a family on Sundays and Tuesdays. On Sunday morning our K-4 students and their parents will gather together in the sanctuary from 9:30 to 10:00 a.m. Led by Cantor Levy the service will feature uplifting music, engaging visual images, and a chance for parents and kids to really explore what is important in life, and to say wow, thanks, and please. On Tuesday evenings from 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. grades 5 and 6 students will be led by Rabbi Kleinman with the help of teen leaders. This prayer experience will focus on similar themes in an age appropriate way.

Individuals in our society turn to exercise, yoga, meditation, literature, music, and art to help gain inspiration and reflection. But Jewish prayer – done right – has the ability to draw from the core ideals of movement and art to help add meaning and purpose to our lives. We hope you will join us this fall with open minds and open hearts. You'll be amazed at what you find right inside our synagogue walls.

Religious School



Rabbi Stacy Rigler

Social Justice/Repair of the World

Strengthening social justice through programs both within KI and extending them into the broader community.

KIFTY Hits Home Run at Citizen's Bank Park

CORE VALUE

Tikkun Olam

On June 1, members of KIFTY and other local youth groups boarded a bus to spend the afternoon at a Phillies game volunteering for "Red Goes Green," the Phillies effort to keep the ballpark clean during the games. We arrived at the stadium and were greeted by Phillies bat girls including KI member McKenzie Kramer, who handed everybody an apron and plastic bag. They divided us into groups and assigned different sections at which to be stationed during the game.

Our volunteer job was to collect recyclable material between the innings - and boy did we do it with gusto! KIFTY members walked up and down the aisles filling their trash bags. While not collecting, we were able to watch the game from the standing room only areas.

This was a great event to end the year for KIFTY. We invited the 8th graders to join us as their first official KIFTY event. We were also joined by many KI college kids and adult chaperones, enabling the KIFTY members to hear what life in college is like for KI members.

KIFTY is looking forward to a great year in 2013-2014. If you are in grades 9-12 you will receive a membership packet with all our events for the year in August. Please let Rabbi Kleinman know if you have questions about getting more involved.

Rabbi Kevin Kleinman



Mazel Tov to our Bat Mitzvah Student



My name is Shayna Rose Shapiro. My Bat Mitzvah was June 29, 2013. For my Mitzvah Project I collected and redistributed new and gently used baseball and softball equipment to needy children. I attend Pennsdale Middle School. I enjoy being a spectator at baseball games. I have a sister, Rachel. My parents are Sara and Barry Shapiro.



Congregants in the News

In June the Philadelphia Orchestra visited China. Violinist and KI member, PHIL KATES was among the musicians. In his limited spare time Phil gave individual performances at the Shanghai Children's Medical Center for the children who were there for cancer treatment. He would start to play in the center of a room, and move towards the children's beds when he sensed they felt comfortable with him. A few reached out to pluck his instrument's strings - with his encouragement.

Life Cycles

Mazel Tov to the following congregants on their special *s'mahot*...

Weddings

Debbie Adler and Kenny Paul, Debbie is the sister of our member Marc (Marlene) Adler

Births

Milo Jonah Deiley, he is the son of our members Amy Winheld & Craig Deiley, grandson of our members Linda & Michael Winheld and the nephew of our member Stephanie Winheld

We mark with sorrow the passing of . . .

- Eleanor Kupzoff,** mother of our member Ronda (David) Silbermann
Saul David Rigler, father of our member Rabbi Peter (Rabbi Stacy) Rigler
Morris Kaplan, our member and the husband of our member Marilyn Seidman Kaplan
Joyce Kutner, mother of our member Gary (Hilary) Kutner
Marguerite "Dolly" Potashnik, mother of our member Sheryl (Stuart Lev) Potashnik
Alissa Allen-Newett, our member, mother of Aria, daughter of our member Richard Allen
Yvette Liez, mother of our member Chantal (Jules) Feinberg
Dorothy Spector, mother of our member Shelly (Michael Furman) Lesse, grandmother of our member Alex Lesse
Irma Hannes, she was our member
Barbara Waxler, sister-in-law of our member, Marilyn (Yale) Bobrin
David Roda, our member and husband of our member Adele Roda

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Israel Committee – What is Going On?

Israel is in such a dynamic state, in every area of which one can think. It would be impossible to give a complete picture in even 10 editions of the KI Bulletin. I have chosen three areas to discuss.

1. There are two methods to solve the Arab – Israeli conflict.

One suggestion is the “One State Solution”. This is really impossible. Why? The mathematics alone dictates the answer. Recently, Secretary of State John Kerry stated it clearly. “The significantly higher Palestinian birthrate would quickly make Jews a minority in such a state.” Therefore, a two state political entity is the only practical solution.

Dennis B. Ross describes the obstacles preventing an Israeli - Palestinian agreement. Because of the mutual distrust between the two parties, coordinated unilateral moves offer the only hope for peace. Mr. Ross, however, does not mention the United States. An American role is indispensable. For Israel, the only way to secure its future is a two state solution, and for America active leadership toward attaining this solution will secure Israel’s future and will restore America’s standing in the Middle East.

2. What is the Future for Israel?

a) **Gas:** Israel recently discovered mega gas fields (called “Tamar” and “Leviathan”) located off the Israel coast from Haifa. These massive discoveries will soon transform Israel. They will supply domestic needs and supply foreign markets. Russia, China, Europe and South Korea are pursuing involvement regarding these finds. It’s

amazing what friends can be made when you have oil and gas to export.

b) **Med-Red Railway:** China is in very serious negotiation to build and finance a high speed railway from Eilat to Ashdod. This would allow ships to avoid the Suez Canal, as well as cut the time frame from canal usage in half by using the railway. It will open up the Negev. (This was always a dream of David Ben Gurion).

c) **Aliyah:** Numerous European countries are seeing their Jewish populations diminish because of a resurgence of anti-Semitism and violence against their Jewish communities. Islam is on the march in many countries in Europe. Sizable numbers of French, British and smaller numbers of Jews from other EU countries have left or are in the process of going to Israel. The Jewish Agency for Israel is anticipating a significant Aliyah to continue, as well as increase, as Jews leave the Ukraine and Russia.

3. Women of the Wall: The Jerusalem district has ruled that recent detention of women praying at the *Kotel* (Western Wall) was unjustified. The Law of Holy Places which gives visitors to the *Kotel* the opportunity to pray according to “local custom,” does not mandate that these local customs be orthodox customs.

As you can see, despite all of the serious problems, there are many bright lights in the future. I hope that this information will give you a view, albeit a small one, of what is going on in *Eretz Yisrael*.

Shalom and L'bitraot,
Bill Dodies



Gift Shop

The Women of KI Gift Shop remains closed in August. It will re-open on Sunday morning September 8 to coincide with the first day of JQuest. It will be open on Sundays from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and Tuesdays from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. The Gift Shop is open when Religious School is in session or by appointment. I am available for appointments at other times. Please call me, Marlene Glass, at 215-206-9204 if you need something over the summer. Thank you for Thinking KI First.

Cultural Council

In June, Cultural Council completed 13 seasons of presenting monthly luncheon programs for KI seniors and their guests. Under the leadership of Doris Parker, with a committee of Joan Brantz, Ann and Dick Brown, Laurie and Steve Capin, Steve Cherashore, Irv Matusow, Shanlee Pollack and others, we presented informative and entertaining programs and buffet lunches to our attendees.

With the financial support of the Leo and Fay Rosenau Fund at KI, we featured presentations from authors, playwrights, newspaper reporters and columnists, actors, singers, opera lecturers, humorists, our rabbis and our cantor and others. We are grateful for the support and attendance of the KI community through the years.

The committee is working on programs for the upcoming season, which will be announced after the High Holidays.

A healthy, peaceful and happy New Year to all.

Irv Matusow

CORE VALUE Hiddur Mitzvah

Arts and Culture

Fostering a deeper appreciation of Jewish living through extensive cultural programming and the arts.

August 2013 Calendar

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1	2 Labor Day – Offices & Nursery Closed	3 9:00 a.m. 1st Day of Presch. Muffin Schmooze 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal	4 12:00 noon Presch and Offices Close 8:00 p.m. Erev Rosh Hashanah Service	5 10:00 a.m. Rosh Hashanah Morning Service 3:00 p.m. Blue Bell Rosh Hashanah Service Elkins Park RH Family Service 4:15 p.m. Tashlich at Wall Park	6 8:00 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service	7 9:00 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service 5:30 p.m. Havdalah Service
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15 9:30 a.m. JQuest	16	17 4:30 p.m. JQuest 6:00 p.m. JQuest Noar 6:30 p.m. Women of KI Mtg. 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal	18 6:00 p.m. Tzedakah in the Sukkah 7:00 p.m. Sukkot – Food, Faith & Festival	19 Presch & Offices closed 10:30 a.m. Sukkot Morning Service at Beth Am 6:00 p.m. Blue Bell Dinner & Service in Sukkah	20 7:00 p.m. Sukkot Family Shabbat 8:00 p.m. Open Mic Oneg	21 9:00 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service 2:00 p.m. Rydal Park Shabbat
22 9:30 a.m. JQuest 3:00 p.m. Museum Opening	23	24 4:30 p.m. JQuest 6:00 p.m. JQuest Noar 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal	25 6:00 p.m. Simchat Torah - Pot Luck Dinner 6:45 p.m. Simchat Torah Service	26 Presch & Offices closed	27 11:15 a.m. Adult Ed. Program 6:00 p.m. Blue Bell Shabbat 6:30 p.m. Tot Shabbat 7:00 p.m. Shabbat Evening Service	28 9:00 a.m. Torah Study 10:30 a.m. Shabbat Morning Service
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Women of Keneseth Israel



Our schedule of activities begins in September with The High Holidays, and ends around Shavuot in May. Planning our calendar begins in the heat of the summer months.

The KI Mitzvah Garden produces beautiful and delicious tomatoes, zucchini, eggplants, peas, and peppers. We donate these to the Klein JCC, Abington Interfaith Cupboard and to The Mitzvah Food Pantry at Beth Sholom.

Women of KI thank everyone who signed post cards, or the on-line petition supporting Mazon and the Kehillah of Old York Road in its Action Against Hunger Campaign. We won't know the results of our efforts until the state budget is signed.

Put these dates for our fall programs on your calendar now:

♦ **Creating a Family Cookbook**

Sunday, October 27 – Opening brunch and panel discussion co-sponsored with the Meyers Library and The Temple Judea Museum.

♦ **Our Transitioning Lives: Indulge with Chocolate, Wine and Dessert**

Wednesday, November 13

♦ **The Jewish Deli in America.**

Sunday, December 8, 2013 – Presentation by Rabbi Sussman followed by Deli lunch sponsored by Temple Judea Museum, Women of KI, and Meyers Library.

♦ **Lilith Salons**

Dates TBD – Join us in the fall, as we begin an exciting women's issue discussion group. Stimulating conversation will be held on thought-provoking articles taken directly from Lilith Magazine. Become a part of a friendly, open, and caring Women's group.

Thank you for supporting Women of KI through your dues. It certainly assists us with programming, our work for KI and the immediate community.

In the next calendar year, 2013 -2014, please make a commitment to Women of Keneseth Israel. Help fulfill a social action activity, work in our garden, support our Hebrew School children, or just join us and have fun. I think you will find that working with like-minded women will be more valuable to you than just paying your dues. Come and Join Us.

Lynore Eisman
President

Hello from Brotherhood

We are in the summer part of our schedule, so that means planning for the upcoming program year. We expect to be more involved with MBIEE, have more lectures, a Saturday night function for all, and of course a Brotherhood Shabbat and Yom HaShoah project. Watch e-KI, our Bulletin and other sources for upcoming information. They should prove both educational and fun.

One of the things we accomplished this past year was to embrace the Brotherhoods along the Old York Road corridor. This will lead to a cross-pollination of programs, which we hope will have something that will interest everyone.

Remember that Jewish Heritage Night at the Phillies is August 20. It is a fun evening and we will have busses available for transportation based on the number of people going. Please contact me at natezin@aol.com or call the KI office (215) 887-8700, if you want to go.

Remember, it is your KI and Brotherhood wants to work for you.

We are always looking for new ushers and usherettes. People that join never seem to quit, so perhaps you want to add this enjoyable few hours to your activities at KI.

Brotherhood meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. The pizza alone makes it worthwhile, but you will see that the time is well spent.

Please remember Brotherhood when you complete your renewal for membership. Please check off the Brotherhood dues portion of your membership form. We cannot continue our work at KI without your support.

Shalom,
Nathan Zinberg, President
natezin@aol.com



The Past Presidents of Women of KI/Sisterhood were honored at a Shabbat Service in May.

Special Program

Iftar at KI

On Sunday evening July 28 Keneseth Israel will host its third *Iftar* dinner. The program begins at 7pm so that the Muslims in attendance can break their fast at sunset. An *Iftar* is a special fast-breaking dinner for Muslims during their holy month of Ramadan. In addition to fasting, Muslims remember their role in their communities as providers for the poor and people in need during Ramadan. Two Muslim groups, Dialogue Forum and Peace Islands Institute encourage their members to promote a better understanding of Islam and Muslims by organizing and sponsoring *Iftar* dinners. They reach out to other religious communities to promote a diverse involvement in this "Ramadan Experience."

KI member Joan Shrager attended last year's *Iftar* and wrote: "We shared stories about our lives and our beliefs. One woman told me she had had an entirely different perception of Jewish people before she came and that she felt differently after meeting us. ... It was a really special night." Check e-KI for further details on this year's *Iftar* dinner.

Keneseth Israelite

Jood.....The Almost Obscure (with apologies to Thomas Hardy)

Last spring, my wife and I traveled to The Netherlands, with a brief side trip to Antwerp and Bruges in neighboring Belgium. Jews have lived in The Netherlands since at least the 14th century, though there is rabbinical speculation that as early as Roman times *kashrut* was practiced in the city of Utrecht.

However the 20th century was disastrous for Jews in Europe. It is estimated that 140,000 Jews lived in Holland in 1939; by the end of World War II 35,000 remained. Of all of the countries engulfed by the scourge of Fascism/Nazism, more Dutch Jews perished percentage-wise than any other place. It is true that this country was conquered and occupied by the Germans in 1940, but much of the anti-Semitism and Nazism are home-grown.

There are now approximately 41,000-45,000 Jews in Holland, many of whom are not natives; an influx from Israel and the former Soviet Union account for a significant portion of the population. Approximately 44% live in Amsterdam, considered the center of Dutch Jewish life.

While in Amsterdam we visited the Joods Historisch Museum (Jewish Historical Museum) a joint effort of four old congregations, which traces the history of Jewish life in that country. Across the street is the Old Portuguese Synagogue, a huge building which, unlike most other synagogues, survived the war largely intact. Its survival is traced to its potential use by the SS as a gathering point for the round-ups of the Jewish population. However, another building was selected by the Nazis for this evil purpose and the synagogue, known as the Esnoga, was spared destruction. It still functions as a synagogue.

We also visited the Anne Frank House, where Otto Frank, his family, and others hid for more than two years before being betrayed. Anne and her sister Margot perished in Bergen-Belsen shortly before the war in Europe ended.

These visits, in addition to a visit to the Liberation Museum near the city of Arnhem (featured in the book and movie, *A Bridge Too Far*) stimulated my interest in studying Dutch Jewry. I will attempt to write about this subject in subsequent columns.

As a past-president of KI, I feel a certain sense of responsibility as a member of the Jewish community of the world which I will carry with me wherever I go.

Dick Weiss, *Immediate Past President*
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Rosh Hashanah
Preschool Service in Chapel (9 am)
Rosh Hashanah Morning Service
(10 am)
Alternative Service in Chapel
(10 am)
Blue Bell Service (3 pm)
Family Service (3 pm)
Tashlich at Wall Park (4:15 pm)

Friday, September 13

Kol Nidre Service (8 pm)

Saturday, September 14

Yom Kippur
Preschool Service in Chapel (9 am)
Yom Kippur Morning Service
(10 am)
Alternative Service in Chapel
(10 am)
Family Service (2 pm)
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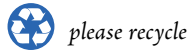
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