



The Newsletter of Kol HaEmek (Voice of the Valley)

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Please note: all submissions sent by the 20th of each month to Carol Rosenberg ([carolrosenberg@pacific.net](mailto:carolrosenberg@pacific.net))

### Coming Events

**Friday, November 17 at 6:30 Kabbalah Shabbat** with Rabbi SaraLeya Schley; pot luck to follow.

**Saturday, November 18 at 10:00 a.m.**  
**A teaching** with Rabbi SaraLeya Schley

**Friday, December 15, at 5:30 Hanukkah celebration** and Shabbat round the table family potluck supper with latkes and all good things to share. (see the poster on page 4)

**Friday January 13, 6:30 Kabbalah Shabbat** with Rabbi SaraLeya Schley; pot luck to follow.

**Saturday, January 11 at 10:00 a.m. A. teaching** with Rabbi SaraLeya Schey

**The weekend of February 23-24 - Kabbalah Shabbat details to follow.**

**Save the date: Our annual meeting and Board catered brunch will be January 28th 11:00-2:00.**

### Please Note!

We are delighted to announce that Rabbi SaraLeya Schley will continue to serve our community on a monthly basis. She will be available by appointment and personal arrangement to serve members of this community for life cycle events.

We let you know what the suggested fees will be for life cycle events.

### Support your local Artists!

The new exhibit at the Grace Hudson Museum *Mastering the Molten*, Mendocino County Art Glass includes some incredible pieces by our own Elizabeth Raybee. The exhibit will run from October 28 to January 28, 2018.

The current acrylic paintings exhibited at the Schatz bakery in downtown Ukiah are by Carol Rosenberg.

## Torah Portion Of the Week

November 4 Vayyeira  
November 11 Chayal Sarah  
November 18 Toldat  
November 25 Vayeitzei  
December 2 Vayislach  
December 9 Vayeishev  
December 12 Erev of Hanukkah  
December 13-20 Hanukkah  
December 16 Mikeitz  
December 23 Vayigas

## Opportunities for Tzedakah

**Kol HaEmek** (the Voice of the Valley) is funded by your member dues as well as your generous contributions to a **number** of funds including

- 1) Building Fund
- 2) Religious School Fund
- 3) Scholarship Fund
- 4) General Fund
- 5) Honoring and Remembrance Board
- 6) Tzedekah Fund
- 7) Rabbi's Discretionary Fund
- 8) The Marion and Sanford Frank Fund for feeding the hungry in Ukiah and Willits
- 9) Mazon -a Jewish Answer to Hunger  
Call: David Koppel, 485-8910

**send checks to:**

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## We Remember

Maurice Marans	November
Estelle Koppel	November 5
Lillian Rothchild	November 2, Chesvan 28
Norman Feldman	November 14
Doris Rogers	November 16
Solomon Glazer	November 19
Dane Wilkins	November 19
Cynthia Suffel	November 23
Robert Leo Kisslinger	November 27
Herbert Alan Fuente	November 28
Jane Gurko	November 30
Milton Rosen	December 4
Evelyn Rapport Cohen	December 6
Mark Kinze Molgaard	December 7
Chaim Rayberg	December 10
Max Schechter	December 15
Joseph E. Suffel	December 16
Esther Pelner	December 19
Elizabeth Elberg	December 23
Dora Goldberg Levin	December 23
Pauline Strauss	Cheshvan 1
Stan Showers	Cheshvan 2
Abraham Cohen	Cheshvan 12
Sanford "Fritz" Frank	Cheshvan 25
Myra Cohen	Kislev 6
Louis Jonas	Kislev 10
Leon Horowitz	Tevet 3
Ephraim Coren	Tevet 9
Harold G. Corwin	Tevet 15
Marion Margolis Frank	Tevet 20
Paul Kowarsky	Tevet 26
Dori Anderson	Tevet 26

## The Late Year

BY [MARGE PIERCY](#)

I like Rosh Hashonah late,  
when the leaves are half burnt  
umber and scarlet, when sunset  
marks the horizon with slow fire  
and the black silhouettes  
of migrating birds perch  
on the wires davening.

I like Rosh Hashonah late  
when all living are counting  
their days toward death  
or sleep or the putting by  
of what will sustain them—  
when the cold whose tendrils  
translucent as a jellyfish  
and with a hidden sting  
just brush our faces  
at twilight. The threat  
of frost, a premonition  
a warning, a whisper  
whose words we cannot  
yet decipher but will.

I repent better in the waning  
season when the blood  
runs swiftly and all creatures  
look keenly about them  
for quickening danger.  
Then I study the rockface  
of my life, its granite pitted  
and pocked and pickaxed  
eroded, discolored by sun  
and wind and rain—  
my rock emerging  
from the veil of greenery  
to be mapped, to be  
examined, to be judged.

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Mazel Tov all good wishes for a long and happy life together.



Married 8/13/17  
Nancy Horowitz Moilanen  
Bertsch  
and Ted Bertsch



These sweet boys are the sons of Josh Bergere and grandsons of Darline Bergere, long time members and supporters of KHE.

Darline wanted her KHE congregation to share her joy in their grandchildren.

Also the family is overjoyed by the long awaited arrival of its newest member, a baby girl, Abigail Dawn Bergere, born May 25 to Alexander and Erica Bergere in Sebastopol.

We are sorry to announce the death of Irwin Feldman, husband of Penny Walker and father of Ben Feldman on November 5, 2017 after a long illness.

Congregation Kol HaEmek  
Welcomes One and All  
To Our Annual Hanukkah Party  
and Shabbat Potluck



December 15, 2017 at 5:30 at the shul.  
Food, Fun and Music for folks of all ages

Bring 4 candles along with your Hanukkiah.

Break out your best latke recipes or bring whatever food you'd  
like to share for the holiday supper.

Don't forget to bring your musical instruments!

Dear Friends,

The week of October 8, 2017 was one the most stressful and frightening weeks many in our congregation ever had to face. Sunday night a furious fire storm raced through Redwood Valley and Potter Valley, and also decimating much of Lake, Sonoma and Napa counties. Many barely got out with their lives. Week long evacuations re ordered for people and animals. Here in Mendocino Count a eight lives and at least 50 were lost in the flames.

Monday morning, as the fire threatened Redwood and Potter Valleys, Dan Hibshman his wife, Leslie Kirkpatrick and their dog Sam found their way to the Shul to bring the Torah in our care to Ukiah and to safety.

The end of this unbelievable week was Simchas Torah, when Jews everywhere celebrate our joy in the blessing of Torah. We had planned to celebrate the holiday in our Shul. Even though the blockade was lifted at noon on Friday we were unsure if we could access our Shul. We chose to bless our survivor Torah at the home of Carol Rosenberg in Ukiah.

Carol's house was filled to capacity with all of us delighted to be together and alive! All were not so lucky. To date, the Gitlin family and Ross Lake lost their homes on the Frey Ranch, Marlene and Gary Freedman lost their home, Efraim Turner lost his farm and Allyson Brooker-Rosbacht's home is still standing though unlivable.

If you know of a long term rental for the Freedman Family of a small apartment or cottage for Allyson please call 463-8526 or e-mail Carol Rosenberg [carolrosenberg@pacific.net](mailto:carolrosenberg@pacific.net).



### **Chevra Kaddisha**

As you know Kol HaEmek has it's own Chevra. This is a group of men and woman that volunteer to prepare members of our congregation and /or non members for burial or cremating according to Jewish custom and law. This is considered holy work and the practitioners' names are not mentioned.

**Currently we need additional volunteer men.** If you are willing to learn more and participate in this most sacred Jewish practice and please call or e-mail Dan Hibshman at 462-7471 or

[<dhibshman@sbcglobal.net>](mailto:dhibshman@sbcglobal.net)

*Donations to Kol HaEmek August -September 2017*  
*Thank You!*

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Ina Gordon and Edward P.Dick

## Know Your Community:

The following is an interview with Kol HaEmek member, Mo Sunbeam



**I was born** in San Francisco in 1988.  
**I have lived in Mendocino County since** I was 15.

**My favorite places in Mendocino County are**  
Mendocino College, Montgomery Woods and Pennyroyal Lake.

**I give back to my community by** serving on the Kol HaEmek board and working on all aspects of theater production at Mendocino College (except acting)

**I am thankful that** I can live near big, beautiful trees and my only problems are those that can be solved with money.

**I am most proud of** my ability to figure out how to make small storage boxes on a 3-D printer despite several difficult technical problems that I patiently solved.

**Friends would describe me as** easy going and fun to work with.

**If I could do something over I** would not have gone straight to a university after high school but would have gone first to a community college.

**I get the greatest joy from** building things and spending time with friends.

**People I admire are** Nikola Tesla and both of my parents.

**I worry about** money and time management.

**My favorite writers are** Robert Jordan, Patrick Rothfuss and Steven Erickson, all writers of fantasy adventure.

**My favorite movies and tv shows are** *Grandma's Boy* and Mel Brooks movies and TV shows *Archer*, and *The Venture Bros.* Boy (movie) and Archer and The Venture Bros (TV)

**My favorite musical artists are** The Yordles, Bassnectar, Deorro and Lil Dicky (You Tube bands)

**Super powers I'd like to have are** pyromancy, electromancy or ferromancy.

**My favorite foods are** good quality bagels, sushi and lasagna

**The most memorable trips I have taken were** my first trip to Israel with Birthright; my second trip to Israel with a Jewish fraternity; a two year trip with my family traveling all over the U.S. in a motor home when I was a teenager; and a family re-union in Costa Rica.

**If I have learned one thing,** it is that rushing a task or process almost never pays off.

**This is on my bucket list:** to go to Hawaii.

**One thing I wish I could change about the world** is the American capitalist culture of exploitation that carries over from imperial times.

**In 10 years, I see myself** financially independent and living like a real adult.

**I wish more Jews would** explore the deeper aspects of Judaism and discover what Judaism actually means to them on a personal level.

**Something people would be surprised to know about me is that** when I was 14 or 15, I went to flying camp and piloted a homemade airplane.



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Our purpose is to create an environment in which Jewish culture, religion and spiritual life can flourish, to perpetuate and renew our Jewish connections with ourselves and our homes, within our community and the world.

- To provide space for religious study and prayer.
- To share life cycle events through meaningful Jewish traditions
- and sponsor Jewish education for all ages
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- To be inclusive of all partnerships and family configurations
- To include interfaith families and Jews-by-choice
- To network with other Jewish communities
- To educate and share our culture with other Mendocino County residents
- To be a foundation for *Tikkun olam* (healing the world)
- as a community through socially just actions and and by Mitzvot)
- To offer to our membership in exchange for financial and
- other contributions and allow all to participate
- regardless of the ability to pay

### **Kol HaEmek Information & Resources**

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Interfaith Council: Cassie Gibson (468-5351)

Rabbinical Services/Special Ceremonies: to be announced