

Congregation Or Ami  
**Village** Square  
Bulletin



**JULY 2023**

**FEEL THE VILLAGE CONNECTION**

Our Or Ami Village is expanding, and we are anticipating another fantastic and meaningful year. As Partners of Or Ami renew their memberships, the Village is also gaining new members and we are so excited to welcome them. Our wonderful past programs are propelling us into the future. We have new events, new connections, and warm friendships.

We are so proud of our 4 years of fun-filled, educational, and inspirational activities. And now that we are gathering in person, our connections have opened even more doors for the coming year. We are energized and can't wait for you to join us.

**Sunday, July 23, 2023**

**11:00 AM-1:00 PM**

**Location: Congregation Or Ami**

**It's a Summertime Meet and Greet!**

New, current, and future members of Congregation Or Ami Village are invited to get together for a casual Sunday Bagel Brunch.

We're kicking off the fourth year of successfully keeping our vibrant 55+ community connected, informed, engaged, and entertained by offering a rich variety of programs and activities throughout the year.

*Greet old friends, make new ones, and have a nosh!*

**JOIN US!**

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55 and better Together.

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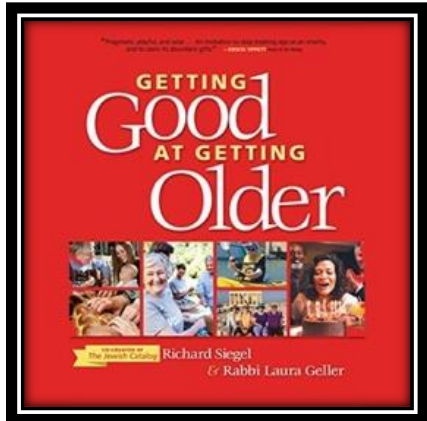
**REGISTER BELOW**

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[\*\*REGISTER HERE\*\*](#)

**Thursday, July 13, 11:30 AM-1:30 PM**

**GETTING GOOD AT GETTING OLDER**  
Meeting at Congregation Or Ami



Does your personality change with the seasons?  
When do you feel most energetic?  
When are you most introspective?

Our *Getting Good at Getting Older* group meets monthly. There are always dynamic discussions, lots of laughter and bonding over common themes.

Bring your lunch. We'll provide drinks and dessert.

Email us: [village@orami.org](mailto:village@orami.org)

**Friday, July 21, 7:30 PM-8:30 PM**

**SHABBAT SERVICE - First with Cantor Kyle Cotler**  
Location: Congregation Or Ami



Let's welcome Cantor Kyle  
and show him our Village support!

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## AT A RECENT VILLAGE EVENT: A TRULY MEMORABLE EVENING



**STRANGER / SISTER**  
HATE CAN'T STOP A SISTERHOOD

Documentary Viewing and Discussion  
with a facilitator from Salaam/Shalom

Monday, April 17  
7:00-8:30 PM PST  
on Zoom

CLICK HERE TO REGISTER

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On June 12<sup>th</sup>, the Village shared an enlightening and inspiring program that filled us with optimism.

We viewed a documentary STRANGER/SISTER which is the fascinating story of two ordinary women, one Muslim and one Jewish, who dared to believe they could join hands to stop the wave of hate. Their meetings led them to build an international movement that turns strangers into sisters, challenging our assumptions about how to fight hate. The sisters build a powerful network of hope in a time of chaos and bigotry.

Please visit their website to learn more. [Sosspace.org](http://Sosspace.org)

## OUR SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS ARE FLOURISHING!

You can join any or all of our groups...if you are a paid Villager!

*"If you always do what interests you, at least one person is pleased!" Katharine Hepburn*

Movie Group:	Contact:	Gil and Marilyn Spiegel:	<a href="mailto:gilandmarilyn@gmail.com">gilandmarilyn@gmail.com</a>
Art and Museum:	Contacts:	Bernice Sedlik:	<a href="mailto:bernice@sedlik.com">bernice@sedlik.com</a>
		Nitza Zemel:	<a href="mailto:nzem@nitzaz.com">nzem@nitzaz.com</a>
Walking/Hiking:	Contact:	Beth Lieberman:	<a href="mailto:liebermanedit@socal.rr.com">liebermanedit@socal.rr.com</a>
Dining/Cooking:	Contact:	Rich Abrams:	<a href="mailto:aberich@sbcglobal.net">aberich@sbcglobal.net</a>

Please let us know if you have other ideas for groups you'd like to join...or even start!

## THE ART OF POSITIVE LIVING...Bits of Wisdom

**"Aging is an extraordinary process where you become the person you always should have been." - David Bowie**

**"Happiness is the only thing that multiplies when you share it." - Albert Schweitzer**

## SOME REASONS THE VILLAGE IS AN IMPORTANT PART IN OUR LIVES...

- Friendship and being part of different social groups gives us a sense of belonging and purpose.
- Spending time with new people exposes us to new information, activities, and different points of view, expanding our opportunities to grow.
- The Village will help you avoid social isolation.
- Connecting with others increases mental health and well-being and boosts motivation.
- The Village activities are interesting, stimulating, informative, and fun!



### WON'T YOU JOIN US?

**We appreciate your support and valued membership in our Village and are delighted to continue welcoming new Villagers into our warm, active, and vibrant community!**

**Keep an eye on our webpage for news of our upcoming events!**

**[www.orami.org/village](http://www.orami.org/village)**

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