# HA-CHODESH (MEANS: "THIS MONTH")

## AT CONGREGATION OR AMI



#### Shabbat Schedule – *Note Different Start Times*

#### Fri., Apr. 1 - Guitar Circle Shabbat - 6:30 pm

Sitting in concentric circles around our guitar circle, led by Cantor Cotler and Rabbi Weisz, we explore the interplay between Jewish music and Jewish spirituality. Pre-B'nai Mitzvah honoring Ellie Schwartz, Sara Schwartz and Sophia Lieberman. Service Livestreamed at oramilive.com.

[Torah portion: Sh'mini Leviticus 9:1-11:47]

#### Sat., Apr. 2 - Shabbat Morning Service - 10:00 am

The entire congregation is invited as Alex Gutfleisch is called to Torah.

#### Sat., Apr. 2 - Shabbat Afternoon Service - 4:00 pm

The entire congregation is invited as Ellie & Sara Schwartz are called to Torah.

#### Fri., Apr. 8 - Two Services

#### Tot Shabbat - 5:00 pm

Join Rabbi Kipnes and other families with tots of all ages for stories, Passover crafts, singing and celebrating Shabbat at Or Ami.

#### Color Me Prayer Arts Shabbat- 6:30 pm

With Rabbi Kipnes and Cantor Cotler. Moving beyond words, we explore prayers visually, using markers and crayons, to pray. For many, using only words to pray reduces God to the limits of our finite words. Color Me Prayer, a new prayer form, gives God an invitation to penetrate our hearts and minds. Special artistry by Alex Steinhauer. Pre-Bar Mitzvah honoring Matthew Isaac.

[Torah portion: Tazria Leviticus 12:1-13:59]

#### Sat., Apr. 9 – Shabbat Morning Service – 10:00 am

The entire congregation is invited as Matthew Isaac is called to Torah.

#### Sat., Apr. 9 - Shabbat Afternoon Service - 4:00 pm

The entire congregation is invited as Sophia Lieberman is called to Torah.

#### Fri., Apr. 15 - Shabbat Sha-Ohmmm (Chanting/Meditation) - 7:30pm

Rabbinic Intern Dusty Klass leads a relaxing evening of chanting and meditation. Together we think personally and in community about the themes of our Shabbat evening service, pray together using melodies new and yet familiar, and take time to simply settle into the sacred space/time Shabbat gives us. No experience necessary - all you'll need is an open heart and mind. [Torah portion: Metzora Leviticus 14:1-15:33]

#### Fri., Apr. 22 - Home Shabbat - No service in sanctuary

Celebrate Shabbat and Passover's Seder at home with family or friends. Need a place for Seder? Have an extra seat at seder? Contact <a href="mailto:susie@orami.org">susie@orami.org</a>).

[Torah portion: Pesach Exodus 12:21-51]

#### Fri., Apr. 29 – Celebration Shabbat – 7:30 pm

Join Rabbi Kipnes and Cantor Cotler as we celebrate Shabbat through song and prayer. Pre-B'nai Mitzvah honoring Jacob Pofsky and Michael Bass.

Service Livestreamed at oramilive.com.

[Torah portion: Shemini Shel Pesach Deuteronomy 14:22-16:17]

#### Sat., Apr. 30 - Shabbat Morning Service - 10:00 am

The entire congregation is invited as Jacob Pofsky is called to Torah.

### Sat., Apr. 30 - Shabbat Afternoon Service – 4:00 pm

The *entire congregation is invited* as Michael Bass is called to Torah.

Fri., May 6 – Shabbat Celebrating Israel and Israeli Dancing-7:30 pm Service Livestreamed at oramilive.com.

# a <u>monthly</u> listing of events, services, and general fun times

Questions? See back of flyer, call (818-880-4880) or www.orami.org. All events at Or Ami unless specified.

Tues., Apr. 5 Gathering for People in 12 Step Recovery and their Loved Ones with Rabbi Kipnes 7:00 pm (details on back)

Wed., Apr. 6 SoMPTY Candy Sushi & Game Night 6:00-7:30 pm - For current 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> grades

Wed., Apr. 6 <u>MITs Prepare for Passover Meeting</u> 6:00-8:00 pm

Thurs., Apr. 7 Women's Night Out 7:30-9:30 pm at Jodi Miller's Hidden Hills home

Fri.- Sun., Apr. 8-10 <u>Jewish San Francisco Trip</u> For 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> Grades

Sun., Apr. 10 <u>Mitzvah Day Carnival</u> (details on back)

Tues., Apr. 12 Confirmation 6:00-7:30 pm (offsite)

Wed., Apr. 13 <u>Passover Cooking Class</u> 10:00 am-1:00 pm at Minette Rubin's Hidden Hills home (details on back)

Wed., Apr. 13 Center for Jewish Parenting:
Preparing for Passover: 5 Steps to an Exciting
Engaging Seder
7:00-8:30 pm (details on back)

Thurs., Apr. 14. <u>Business Roundtable</u> 7:30–9:00 am (details on back)

Sat., Apr. 16 <u>Future Coaches Sports Clinic w/NDY</u> 10:00 am-12:00 pm (offsite)

Sun., Apr. 17: Walk to End Genocide La Brea Tar Pit (details on back)

Sun., Apr. 24 SoMPTY Passover Picnic & Sports in the Park

12:00-2:00 pm at De Anza Park (details on back)

Tues., Apr. 26 General Board Meeting 7:00 pm

Thurs.- Fri., Apr. 28-29 NFTY SoCal Senior Event Camp JCA Shalom

**Fri.-Sun., Apr. 29-May 1** NFTY SoCal Spring Kallah Camp JCA Shalom

Sat., Apr. 30 <u>Future Coaches (Or Ami Teens)</u> 10:00-11:30 am (offsite)

Shabbat services (except as noted) are held at 26115 Mureau Road, Suite B, Calabasas (818) 880-4880 \* office@orami.org \* www.orami.org

RSVP: <u>www.orami.org/RSVP</u> or Laurel Murray (<u>laurel@orami.org</u> or 818-880-4880), unless otherwise indicated.

#### **ADULTS**

Or Ami Business Builders: 90 minutes of nosh, networking and a highly interactive program as Adam Treiger, Partner, Stowell, Zeilenga, Ruth, Vaughn & Treiger LLP facilitates the topic: *The Law of Contracts – A Comparison Between California Law and Jewish Law.* Or Ami Business Roundtable deepens relationships between Or Ami congregants while discussing business, and spirituality, with a fun Jewish focus. Questions? Contact Dianne Gubin (dianne@diannegubin.com or 818-222-0300). Thursday, March 10, 7:30-9:00 am.

Gathering for People in 12 Step Recovery and their Loved Ones with Rabbi Kipnes: For over 25 years, Rabbi Kipnes has gathered groups of Jews recovering from alcoholism and other addictions, and their loved ones. Together we explore the deep spiritual support that Jewish tradition brings to help individuals and families traverse the steps to recovery. In a confidential, supportive meeting at a congregant's home, we seek inspiration, strength and courage. RSVP directly to Rabbi Kipnes (<a href="mailto:rabbipaul@orami.org">rabbipaul@orami.org</a>). Location will be shared once an RSVP email is sent. Tuesday April 5, 7:00-9:00 pm

**Women's Night Out:** An evening of food, drink (soda, wine) and good conversation. The dress is relaxed; atmosphere is warm and friendly. Open to all women 25 and older. RSVP: <a href="www.orami.org/RSVP">www.orami.org/RSVP</a>. \$10.00/person defrays the cost of dinner. At Jodi Miller's Hidden Hills home. **Thursday, April 7, 7:30-9:30 pm.** 

Passover Cooking Class: Join us for a Passover inspired cooking class, taught by Lisa Ende, filled with a delicious, meaningful holiday meal. Learn new recipes, meet new friends, and enjoy a fabulous lunch. \$55 per person. RSVP: <a href="https://www.orami.org/RSVP">www.orami.org/RSVP</a>. At Minette Rubin's Hidden Hills home. Wednesday, April 13, 10:00 am-1:00 pm.

Center for Jewish Parenting: Preparing for Passover: 5 Steps to an Exciting Engaging Seder: Passover is supposed to be a multisensory, multimedia experience to engage our children, teens, college students and adult guest. When creatively approached, the Passover seder can reinforce our most cherished Jewish values through an eye-opening, exciting, fun Jewish experience. Rabbi Paul Kipnes, co-author of Jewish Spiritual Parenting, offers 5 time tested ideas to transform your seder into a meaningful experience your family will be talking about for years. RSVP: <a href="www.orami.org/RSVP">www.orami.org/RSVP</a>.

Wednesday, April 13, 7:00-8:30 pm.

#### YOUTH

**LoMPTY Board Interest Meeting:** If you are interested in running for Board and are currently in 8th-11th grade, please join us at this meeting to hear about all the different positions you can run for and what it means to be a part of the LoMPTY leadership Board. **Tuesday, April 5, 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm.** 

**SoMPTY Candy Sushi & Game Night:** Join the 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> graders for dinner, candy sushi making and hanging out. No cost. Must RSVP by April 3<sup>rd</sup> to SoMPTY's Youth Advisor, Amanda Caldwell at <a href="mailto:youthadvisorabc@gmail.com">youthadvisorabc@gmail.com</a>. **Wednesday, April 6, 6:00-7:30 pm.** 

**SoMPTY Passover Picnic & Sports in the Park** - Hey SoMPTY! Come join us April 24 from 12pm-2pm at De Anza Park for a Passover picnic, relay games and more! We will be sending out a sign up for picnic items. If you have a favorite frisbee or park item that you want to bring feel free to bring, that too! Hope to see everyone there! Cost \$10.00. RSVP: <a href="www.orami.org/RSVP">www.orami.org/RSVP</a>. Sunday, April 24, 12:00 pm-2:00 pm.

**LoMPTY Board Elections:** All teens in 8th-12th grade are invited and encouraged to join us and vote in the 2016-17 LoMPTY Board Elections. Every Or Ami teen in attendance will have a vote. Make your voice heard and elect your next LoMPTY leaders!! Sunday, April 24, 2:00 – 4:00 pm

NFTY SoCal Spring Kallah: This immersive, weekend camp retreat focuses on Jewish camping experiences, new leadership installations, senior adjourning and community building. The first overnight experience where 8<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome. At Camp JCA Shalom in Malibu. Registration at southerncalifornia.nfty.org. Friday-Sunday, April 29-May 1.

#### **SOCIAL ACTION**

Mitzvah Day Carnival: Or Ami kids have fun while bringing smiles to the faces of kids from New Directions for Youth, many of whom have never attended a carnival before. No charge for complimentary BBQ lunch. Volunteers needed. Contact Mitzvah Day April chair, Laurie Tragen-Boykoff (<a href="mailto:ltblcsw@aol.com">ltblcsw@aol.com</a>). RSVP: <a href="www.orami.org/RSVP">www.orami.org/RSVP</a>. Sunday, April 10 at De Anza Park, 3701 Lost Hills Rd., Calabasas.

Walk to End Genocide: Join our team from Or Ami at the <u>Los Angeles</u> Walk To End Genocide. Every year a large group of congregants from our temple walk together to raise money to end genocide. Sign up at <u>LA.WalkToEndGenocide.org/OrAmi</u>. This year we travel together by bus to the event, leaving the Or Ami parking lot at 8:15 am. **Sunday April 17.**