HA-CHODESH (MEANS: "THIS MONTH")

AT CONGREGATION OR AMI



Shabbat Schedule – *Note Different Start Times*

Fri., Mar. 3 – "Where God Dwells Among Us" Shabbat – 6:30 pm Rabbi Kipnes and Cantor Cotler explore this week's Torah portion in which God commands Moses to build a sanctuary. Do we need a sanctuary to feel God's presence?" Pre- Bat Mitzvah honoring Gracie Magedman. [Torah portion: Terumah Exodus 25:1-27:19]

Fri., Mar. 10 - Adult Purim Megillah Study - 7:30 pm

An adult-only NC-17 Shabbat evening focused on reading the Megillah, studying its messages and laughing all the way. Comedian Jeff Rothpan, who performed on the Tonight Show and writes with comedian Jeff Dunham, ensures that the humor and fun of Purim abounds. With Rabbi Kipnes and Cantor Cotler.

[Torah portion: Tetzaveh Exodus 27:20-30:10]

Saturday, Mar. 11 - Purim Celebrations

Tot Purim Celebration - 5:00 pm

Join Rabbi Weisz with tots of all ages for stories, crafts, singing and celebrating Purim. Join us for our community pizza dinner after. RSVP at www.orami.org/RSVP.

Community Pizza Dinner - 5:30 pm

Pre-register for pizza dinner (\$8/child and \$10/adults) at 5:30 pm. RSVP at www.orami.org/RSVP.

SoMPTY Purim Celebration - 5:30 pm

6th-8th graders enjoy a Purim party, dinner and more. RSVP at www.orami.org/RSVP.

Star Wars Purim Spiel (Play & Megillah Reading) – 6:30 pm Join Rabbi Kipnes, Cantor Cotler, Rabbi Weisz and our Jewish Jedis celebrate Star Wars Purim. Dress like your favorite Star Wars character (no guns). RSVP at www.orami.org/RSVP.

Fri., Mar. 17 - Service & Bat Mitzvah of Gracie Magedman – 6:30 pm The *entire congregation is invited* as Gracie Magedman is called to Torah. [Torah portion: Ki Tisa Exodus 30:11-34:35]

Fri., Mar. 24 - Mental Health Shabbat Service - 7:30 pm

At Or Ami, we break down barriers to speak openly and intentionally about our struggles with mental health and wellness. Or Ami congregants join Rabbi Kipnes and Cantor Cotler to stand up to stigma. We also recite a new Mi Shebeirach for those pursuing mental health and wellness. [Torah portion: Vayak'hel/Pekudei Exodus 35:1-40:38]

Fri., Mar. 31 – "Book of Leviticus" Shabbat – 7:30 pm

The Top 5 Reasons Why We Should love the Book of Leviticus: On March 31, we begin reading the Book of Leviticus. It is not just a book filled with gory sacrifices. Come find out why the book of Leviticus is one we should all love. With Rabbi Weisz and Cantor Cotler.

[Torah portion: Vayikra Leviticus 1:1-5:26]

Sat., Apr. 1 - Shabbat Morning Service - 10:00 am

The entire congregation is invited as Zachary Rosen is called to Torah.

Fri., Apr. 7 - Passover Prep Singalong Shabbat - 7:30 pm

Prepare yourself for the upcoming Passover seder. Cantor Cotler shares his top 6 Passover songs while Rabbi Kipnes explores the top 3 lessons of Passover that you can bring back to your seder.

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.

Wed., Mar. 1 <u>Sukkat Shalom Homelessness Project</u> 4:30-6:30 pm or 6:00-8:00 pm (details on back)

Sat., Mar. 4 <u>Café LoMPTY</u> 5:30-9:30 pm (details on back)

Tues., Mar.7 Men's Night Out
7:00-9:00 pm at Gary Barnbaum's Calabasas home

Thurs., Mar. 9 <u>Business Roundtable</u> 7:00-9:00 am (details on back)

Thurs., Mar. 9 JACS Olim: Jewish 12 Step Mtg. 7:00-8:30 pm

Sat., Mar. 11 <u>Future Coaches</u> 9:00 am-11:30 am (offsite)

Sun., Mar. 12 TTKN (Intergenerational Tikkun Olam) Project 9:00 am-1:00 pm (offsite)

Thurs., Mar. 16 Fostering Hope 7:00-8:15 pm (details on back)

Fri., Mar. 17 - Sun., Mar. 19 NFTY SoCal Leadership Kallah at Camp JCA Shalom, Malibu

Sat., Mar. 25 <u>TTKN</u> 9:00 am-1:00 pm (offsite)

Sat., Mar. 25 Or Ami One - A Celebration

Honoring Fred & Susie Gruber with the Samuel A. Wolfson Community Leadership Award and Diane Townsend with the L'dor Vador Award.
7:00 pm at The Hyatt Regency Westlake Village

Sun, Mar. 26 <u>Future Coaches/6 Points Sports Maccabi</u> 2:00-4:00 pm (offsite)

Tues., Mar. 28 <u>Board Meeting</u> 7:00 pm

Weds., Mar. 29 Or Ami Book Club 9:30 am-11: 00 am (details on back)

Thurs., Mar. 30 The Hows & Whys of Passover 7:30 pm (details on back)

Sat., Apr.1 SoCal 678 Spring 2:00-7:00 pm at Temple Beth David, Westminster

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

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Cuba Trip for Adults: Join Rabbi Kipnes for a trip to Cuba. Meet the Jewish community, see the synagogues, and enjoy the art, music and food (before it becomes too commercial). We intend to travel May 25-June 1, 2017. Itinerary and information at orami.org/travel.

ADULTS

Men's Night Out: Men gather at a congregant's home for dinner and values-based discussion with Rabbi Paul. No fee for Partner/Sustainer/Builder level; \$10/person for Congregant level and guests. At the home of Gary Barnbaum (3648 Paseo Primario, Calabasas). RSVP: www.orami.org/RSVP. Tuesday, March 7, 7:00-9:00 pm.

Business Roundtable: 90 minutes of nosh, networking and interactive program. Steve Keleman, Principal, Programs for Performance Improvement, CK Consulting, facilitates: "Can you see the future? What's in the cards for your company? A fun and meaningful assessment." Deepen relationships while discussing business and spirituality, with a fun Jewish focus. Questions or RSVP Dianne Gubin (diannegubin@gmail.com or 818-222-0300). Thursday, March 9, 7:30-9:00 am.

Or Ami Book Club: We will discuss "Hillbilly Elegy" by J.D. Vance. RSVP: www.orami.org/RSVP. Questions contact Erin Mayer (erin.mayer@yahoo.com.) Wednesday, March 29, 9:30-11:00 am.

Workshop: The Hows and Whys of the Passover: Join educator Judy Soffer for a workshop on how to deepen your understanding and celebration of Passover. Fee. RSVP: www.orami.org/RSVP. Thursday, March 30, 7:30-9:00 pm.

YOUTH

Café LoMPTY: (8th-12th graders) Come join LoMPTY for a night of coffee, friends, talent and programming. We will be transforming Or Ami into a fun, Central Perk from Friends style coffee house for all to relax and enjoy. RSVP: www.orami.org/RSVP. Saturday, March 4, 5:30-9:30 pm.

SoMPTY Purim Celebration: (6th-8th graders) Come Join SoMPTY for a Purim party and pizza dinner. RSVP at www.orami.org/RSVP. Saturday, March 11, 5:30 pm.

NFTY SoCal Leadership Kallah: (9th, 10th 11th & 12th graders) A mash-up of our historical elections process and leadership training initiatives, with a focus on regional elections, generational leadership and leadership development.

Friday, March 17 – Sunday, March 19 at Camp JCA Shalom, Malibu.

SoCal 678 Spring: SOCAL 678 is a regional youth experience for middle school students. This day-long event tailors the NFTY experience for 6th, 7th, & 8th graders, featuring interactive programs, mixers, Shira, dinner & Havdallah. It is interactive, meaningful, teen-designed, and teen-led (in partnership with youth professionals and clergy). At Temple Beth David, 6100 Hefley St., Westminster, CA 92683. Questions? Contact youth advisor Jennifer Quick (jen@orami.org). Saturday, February 25, 2:00 – 7:00 pm.

SOCIAL ACTION

Sukkat Shalom (Peace & Shelter for All): Exercise your rights and make your voice heard. Make a difference for homeless women. Change the future of homelessness. Learn about Measure H and the campaign to help the 47,000 individuals experiencing homelessness in our community today. Dinner will be served. (\$6/per person for dinner & supplies for our action project). RSVP: www.orami.org/RSVP. Wednesday, March 1. Choose from one of two volunteer shifts. Either 4:30-6:30 pm or 6:00-8:00 pm.

Fostering Hope - "Fostering Hope" is a unique panel of professionals who will share ways you can make an impact. Have you wondered how to leave a handprint on a child's heart? An hour of your time is all that is needed to learn steps, both large and small. Foster youth are in need of all of the things that our own children take for granted, books and music, guidance and warmth. At Congregation Or Ami, we make thousands of comfort bags for children going into emergency foster care. Join us as we take the next steps. RSVP: www.orami.org/RSVP. Please contact Laurie Tragen-Boykoff (laurietb@orami.org) for any questions or concerns. Thursday, March 16, 7:00-8:15 pm.

Plan Ahead

Sunday, April 2 Wednesday, May 3 Mishpacha Bring a Friend Open House Congregational Meeting