CONFESSIONS OF A SMALL DONOR
By Lila Hanft, Co-President

I’m what fundraisers call a small donor — I haven’t worked full-time since my younger son was diagnosed with autism, so we often just squeak by. Given that, I often feel that fundraising appeals were sent to me by mistake — how can my $18 or $36 really help?

In 2008, for the first in modern campaign history, Barack Obama raised half his campaign funds from small donors, many of whom had never contributed to a political candidate before. Things shifted, research suggests, because donors connected with Obama and his platform so strongly they became, according to Obama’s digital director, “emotionally invested in something larger than themselves.”

Small donors are chiefly motivated to give by a feeling of connection, and that’s true for me. When, in 2014, we raised money for our new Torah scroll, I’d just been part of an adult b’nai mitzah cohort and knew firsthand that our Torah scroll needed repair. I had hoped to donate enough to the Torah fund to sponsor the three lines of Lech Lecha I’d leyned, so it was a letdown when, in the end, I could only sponsor a couple letters. Once again, I asked myself if my small donation had any real benefit.

The biggest benefit, of course, was mine. I’d invested in something larger than myself — not just the Torah, but the community itself, which held a joyous Torah Siyum celebration to welcome our new scroll. It rocked.

We all watched Rabbi Steve scribe the final letter, and then we danced, ate and sang.

Here’s a surprising fact: Only 40 families typically contribute to our annual campaign -- 40 out of 140 families. (Note: No one but the treasurer knows who donates and how much; that info is kept strictly, seriously confidential.)

Do other families feel, like I often do, that donations are for other people (i.e., people with money)? If so, I hope this column will convince them that whatever they can give is worth giving -- especially now, during our one and only major fundraiser this year.

The Talmud says, “The whole value of a benevolent deed lies in the love that inspires it.” If you love being part of the Kol HaLev community and knowing we’re here when you need to connect, please send in your annual fund contribution now (form on page 12).
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# Committees and Chairs, by Values Team:

## Welcoming & Caring
- Hesed – Robin Holzman & Martha Schubert
- Calendar Manager—Art Biagianti
- Newsletter – Lila Hanft
- Proofreader – David Roberts
- Weekly Update – Robin Holzman
- Website – Brian Miller, Lila Hanft, Benjamin Barnett
- Marketing/PR – Halle Barnett
- Tech Support – Brian Miller

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- Holidays – Amy Hogg & Adina Davidson
- Meditation – Nancy Rubel & Allen Binstock
- Rosh Hodesh – Kirby Date
- Leyning Coordinator – Connie Friedman
- Lay Service Leader Coordinator – David Conn
- Service Co-Leader Coordinator – Arthur Lieberman

## Learning Values Team
- Youth & Family Education – Bill Marcus, interim
- Adult Education – Alan Federman
- Young Families/Tot Shabbat – Ben Seligman and Andy Oster
- Child Care Coordinator – Traci Elgart

## Involved Values Team
- GCC – Allen Binstock & Donna Weinberger

## Democratic & Fiscally Responsible
- Fundraising – open
- Cemetery – Mike Armin

## Participatory Values Team
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- Strategic Planning Committee – Greg Selker
- Nominating Committee – Catherine Fallick
- Security Corps – Bill Scher-Marcus
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# February Newsletter Deadline: Tuesday, Jan. 15
TWO NEW WAYS WE CAN WORK TOGETHER ON TIKKUN OLAM

As we enter into the new Gregorian year, it feels fitting to evoke the classic Reconstructionist notion of the value of living in two civilizations. While the moment of entering a new secular year does not bring with it anything like the focused and ritually engaged process that the turning of the Jewish sacred year does, it feels, nonetheless, like an additional opportunity to reflect on where things stand in our lives currently, and to launch new initiatives in ways that we feel called to do so. I want to devote this month’s column to exactly that idea for us as a community, and actually to connect it back to a proposal that I shared several months ago on Yom Kippur morning. On that day, I expressed my sense that we could be doing more, collectively, to facilitate our engagement in the practice of Tikkun Olam, literally “repairing the world,” but more colloquially, social action and justice work.

Within Kol Halev, a Community Process for Choosing Organizations to Support

In my sermon that morning, I suggested two possible directions for moving with this work, one of which was creating a community-wide process by which we would select potentially one domestic organization and ideally, also one Israeli organization, that we would support and be engaged with on a number of different levels. So, I’m using my column this month as a way to announce that I think we will soon be ready to begin planning and then implementing such a process. It is my hope that we will have significant participation from a broad cross-section of our membership as we seek to make such an important decision. I would ask everyone to be on the lookout for emails with more information and details on how this process will unfold. I am also interested in hearing from those in our community who would like to be involved in planning and implementing this exciting new project.

Outside Kol HaLev, Greater Cleveland Congregations’ Renaissance

In parallel to this process taking place within Kol HaLev, there is similar process taking place within the social justice organization of which we are a founding institution, namely, Greater Cleveland Congregations. GCC is at a point in its life cycle that it feels important to hear from individual and institutional members about what we each feel would be the most important and impactful changes that would ideally take place in our region of northeast Ohio. Over the coming several months, there will be conversations taking place within each member institution of GCC whose purpose will be to discern where the deepest passion for and commitment to change is to be found among the GCC constituency. These conversations will, in turn, lead into a large collective assembly at which all those present will help to select the 3-5 big issues that will be the focus of GCC’s organizing and advocacy for the next several years.

We at Kol HaLev will be hosting our version of this conversation on Sunday morning February 3rd at the home of Mimi Plevin-Foust, from 10:15 a.m. I would encourage anyone who is even the slightest bit interested in learning more about GCC and/or feeling drawn to engaging in impactful social justice work on a local level, to attend this gathering, in order to hear about the interests of fellow members and share your own.

I want to conclude by underscoring that these two processes, one completely internal to Kol HaLev and the other growing out of our membership in Greater Cleveland Congregations, are distinct from one another and will be taking place in separate places and at separate times, although they may ultimately impact one another. The first gathering in early February is related to the GCC process and I hope that soon after that, we will hold our first organizing meeting to plan the Kol HaLev-specific process of choosing a focus for our domestic and Israel-focused social change commitment. Still, I believe both of these initiatives represent important ways that we can harness the energy of entering a new year to help us increase our capacity for, and engagement with the process of co-creating the better world that towards which our tradition calls us, and which we sense is possible within our hearts.

Rabbi Steve
In honor of this year’s theme *Kesherim* (Connections, Relationships), welcome Shabbat with your Kol HaLev community! Special invitation to each of the Hagiga Cohorts and their families to gather for Kabbalat Shabbat and dinner during the months of January, February, & March.

**Magshimim** (Grades 6-8) January 25

**Bonim** (Grades 3-5) February 22

**Zorim** (Grades K-2) March 22

6:00 pm Service & 6:45 pm Kiddush & dinner

Thanks to a generous grant from the Jewish Education Center of Cleveland main course will be provided. Families are asked to bring:

A-L Salad or Side Dish & M-Z Dessert or Drink

Direct questions to Robyn 
robyn@kolhalev.net or 216-320-1498
Join us for a festive evening celebrating the new year of the trees and honoring the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Please bring a parve (not milk or meat) or dairy dish to serve 10-12 people and a Tu B'Shevat treat.

A-H ~ Dessert or Drink and a fruit that has pits (olives, dates, cherries, peaches, etc.)

I-P ~ Main Dish and a fruit that has an inedible shell (pomegranates, coconuts, etc.)

Q-Z ~ Appetizer or Salad and a fruit that is completely edible (grapes, figs, apples, lemons, etc.)

NO NUTS PLEASE!

In keeping with our goal of becoming a more sustainable community, we encourage members to bring their own reusable plates, cups, utensils and napkins to our potluck.

Questions? Contact Robyn, robyn@kolhalev.net or 216-320-1498
We send wishes for a refuah shleimah, a complete and speedy healing, to Anita Cohn; Lila Hanft; Ron Kohn; Frank Maris; Pam Millas; Pauline Raymond; and Eda Weiss. We would love to hear from you if you or another Kol HaLev member you know of would like to be included on this list.

Thanks to Martha Schubert and Robin Holzman, who were the December Monthly Coordinators. During the month, members provided rides and meals and sent cards.

If you wish to participate in the work of the Hesed Committee, or if you know of anyone who may need the support of our committee, please contact Rabbi Steve or Robin Holzman (robinholzman@gmail.com) and Martha Schubert (marthaschubert@mac.com), Hesed Co-chairs.

Hesed supports Kol HaLev members with inclusion in Misheberach prayers, occasional meals delivered to members’ homes, rides, cards, phone calls, shiva assistance, visits and service as monthly coordinators. Join us in offering acts of loving kindness that acknowledge times of joy and challenge in each other’s lives. Sign up at LotsofHelpingHands.

In the near future, we are hoping to review and clarify our current Hesed and Shiva guidelines, keeping in mind the needs of our community and the capacity of our membership to meet those needs. We would love to hear from you if you have been a recipient of Hesed support or have been involved in offering support. Have your needs been met? Have the requests been clear and respectful of your time and ability to contribute? Do you have suggestions that would help us be more responsive to and respectful of your ability to contribute?

Robin Holzman  Martha Schubert
216-371-5238  216-214-4791
Hesed Committee Co-Chairs

YAHRZEITS

They are now a part of us, as we remember them

Members of Kol HaLev will mark the following yahrzeits during the next month:

• Herman Gordon-Father of Margy Weinberg
• Jacob Hochman – Grandfather of Chip May
• Karen Clark– Grandmother of Miriam Geronimus
• Sophie Weidenbaum – Mother of Kevin Weidenbaum
• Arthur Friedman – Father of Connie Friedman
• Ruth Armin- – Wife of Mike Armin
• Edith Hecht – Mother of Nancy Hecht
• Shirley Korman – Mother of Neil Korman
• Sol Fink – Father of Judy Harris
• Sue Smith – Mother of Barbara Truitt
• Sylvia Herzig – Aunt of Barry Epstein
• Gussie Friedman – Aunt of Abraham Chasin
• Israel Herman Gorovitz – Grandfather of Heidi Gorovitz Robertson
• Joseph Armin– Father of Mike Armin
• Harry Goldstein – Father of Anita Cohn
• Howard Stanley Robbins – Father of Beth Robbins
• David Jack Herzig – Uncle of Barry Epstein
• Freda Shleser Imrey – Mother of Peter Imrey
Here is the calendar of books that we will be reading and discussing this year:

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As you can see, the members of the hug (group) have chosen a mix of new and classic books on a variety of topics. If you are not familiar with the hug, please note that you may choose to attend only for the books that grab your interest.

All Kol HaLev members are welcome to attend the book group. For more information about the group, including a calendar of our readings for the year, look at our web page (kolhalev.net/book_group) and contact Kevin (KJW@oberlin.net) to be added to the group’s e-mail list.

Kol HaLev gratefully acknowledges these contributions:

- **Art & Sue Biagianti** in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Sue’s father, Alfred Rosenberg
- **Anita Cohn** in memory of Allen Binstock’s mother
- **Anita Cohn** in memory of Art Lieberman with thanks for sending her “marvelous meals” when she was ill
- **Dick & Deena Epstein** in honor of the birth of the grandchild of Adina and Mark Davidson, the great-grandchild of Anna Kelman
- **Leah & Ron Gilbert** in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Leah’s mother, former Kol HaLev member Ruth Ness
- **Marcia & Gil Goldberg** in memory of Jayne Jones, Mike Getz and Ami Kopstein
- **Anna Kelman** in memory of Julius Kelman
- **Alan Marks** in memory of Ruth Marks, his wife and Phyllis Maris’ sister-in-law
- **Elana & Matthew Richter** in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Elana’s mother, Irene Satin
- **Maude & Mel Shafron** in memory of Jayne Jones
- **David Shutkin & Connie Friedman** in commemoration of the yahrzeit of David’s father, Joseph Shutkin
- **Eric Taslitz & Ruthie Jones** in memory of Jayne Jones
- **Irwin Weinbeger & Meg Manny** in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Meg’s mother, Mary Manny

Make a donation to Kol HaLev in honor of a simcha, in memory of a loved one, in commemoration of a yahrzeit, or just because. You can donate by check or online, whichever is more comfortable and convenient for you. Find out how at http://kolhalev.net/giving_opportunities.
KOL HALEV KVElL

Mazal tov to Kol HaLev members Adina and Mark Davidson and Anna Kelman on the birth of their (big -- 9 lbs.) grandson and great-grandson, Netta Nissim, to parents Josh Davidson and Becca Richman.

Above, parents Josh and Becca. Right, Netta Nissim with great-grandmas -- Josh's grandmother and Kol HaLev member Anna Kelman and Becca's grandmother, Marg.

WOMEN’S CRAFTING BRUNCH ON JAN. 13

All women of Kol Halev are invited to participate in a creative tikkun olam project on Sun. Jan. 13, 11-1:30 in the Party Room at Sherri Park South Apartments, 2201 Acacia Park Dr., Lyndhurst,

Th NICU ward at Rainbow Babies and Children’s Hospital has adopted the tradition of providing baby blankets for every infant who is leaving the hospital, to be a tangible memento of the positive connections that their families made there. These colorful flannel baby blankets are created by volunteers.

Please join us for a fun session to provide a few blankets for the hospital. Supplies will be provided. This activity involves cutting and tying. If possible, we ask that you make a donation of $7 to cover the costs of the supplies. It would also be helpful if you could bring scissors that will cut fabric. Bagels, coffee and tea will be provided. Please RSVP to Maxine at maxinetemma@yahoo.com to let us know if you will be able to attend.

KOL HALEV AND GCC: SHAPING SOCIAL JUSTICE TOGETHER FEB. 3

Come share your current interests and concerns around how to make our region a better place for all who live here and hear what’s new with Greater Cleveland Congregations (GCC) from Senior Organizer Khalilah Worley and Kol HaLev’s GCC Core Team— Rabbi Steve Segar, Allen Binstock, Mimi Plevin-Foust & Karly Whitaker. When and where: Feb. 13 at 10:15 at the home of Mimi Plevin-Foust. Refreshments will be provided.

Let’s grow together to shape GCC’s future and take action!

SAVE THE DATE: KOL HALEV’S BIENNIAL INTERGENERATIONAL SHABBATON

When: April 5-7, 2019
Where: The Lodge at Geneva on the Lake
Theme: Keshirim: Connections, Relationships, Links
More information coming soon!
Todo raba (thank you) to Dan and Anne Barach for their help with the Hanukkah party. If you’d like to help with an upcoming Intergenerational party—Purim, anyone?—please email Halle Barnett and Robyn Novick.
The Jewish bluegrass band *Nefesh Mountain* is strongly connected to the Reconstructionist movement -- leads Doni and Eric are members of a Reconstructionist congregation; they are frequent guests at Camp JRF (now Camp Havaya); and they performed and led workshops at the Reconstructing Judaism conference in November, where the seeds for this benefit concert were planted.
The chapel was full and overflowing into the hall on “Solidarity Shabbat”, as Kol HaLev members and friends came together to find comfort and strength in our community. When we need a reminder of the joy of belonging and the power of human connection, when we need to process our experiences as Jews with like-minded people, we come to Kol HaLev.

We belong to Kol HaLev for so many reasons – our exceptional Rabbi and staff, the beauty of our sacred space, and perhaps most of all, the meaningful relationships we have formed with each other.

Why do we fundraise? To ensure we can continue to build our open, engaging, caring community together.

Did you know that membership dues cover only 60% of Kol HaLev’s total operating expenses? Each year, your generous donations are what bridge the gap.

Our goal: To raise $60,000 • Our deadline: March 30, 2019

This campaign will be our only major fundraising event this fiscal year.
We ask that you give even if you have never given before. Donations of any size are most welcome.

Matching Funds!

Generous member families have offered to match others’ contributions up to a total of $20,000! Give whatever is within your means – your gift will be doubled.

Please help sustain our community, now and for the future.
Yes, I'll give to Kol HaLev's 2018-19 annual campaign!

Name __________________________________________________________________
Address __________________________________________________________________
City, State, Zip __________________________________________________________________
Phone __________________________  Email__________________________________

Amount of Pledge:
_____ $36     _____ $180     _____ $720     _____ $1800     Other: $_______

Portion of pledge enclosed today: $ ________

_____ I wish my donation to remain anonymous  (Note: Amounts are always confidential.)

Please make your pledge by March 30, 2019,
and complete your payment(s) toward the pledge by June 30, 2019

__ Check enclosed.
   Please mail this completed form to:
   Kol HaLev, 2245 Warrensville Ctr Rd #215, University Hts, OH 44118.

__ I will pay online with a credit card.
   Please visit the website kolhalev.net/pay_simple and follow the easy
   instructions for using our secure payment site.

__ I will pay with my bank’s online bill payer.
   Please make checks to Kol HaLev using the address:
   Kol HaLev, 2245 Warrensville Ctr Rd #215, University Hts, OH 44118
   and the phone number: 216-320-1498.
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<td>Tu B’Shevat Intergenerational Seder &amp; Martin Luther King Commemoration. Join us for a festive evening celebrating the new year of the trees and honoring the legacy of Martin Luther King, Jr. Kiddush sponsor: Linda Sylte. Please bring a parve (not milk or meat) or dairy dish to serve 10-12 people AND a Tu B’Shevat treat. Assignments: <strong>A-H Dessert or Drink plus</strong> a fruit that has pits (dates, cherries, peaches, olives, etc.) <strong>I-P Main dish plus</strong> a fruit that has an inedible shell (pomegranates, coconuts, etc.) <strong>Q-Z Appetizer or Salad plus</strong> a fruit that is completely edible (grapes, figs, apples, lemons, etc.) NO NUTS PLEASE!</td>
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<td>Fri., Jan. 25</td>
<td>6:00-7:30 p.m.</td>
<td>Kabbalat Shabbat and Potluck at Ratner. Service leader: Rabbi Steve. Dishes should be vegetarian/dairy or pareve and SHOULD NOT CONTAIN NUTS. Please bring enough for 8-10. In keeping with our goal of becoming a more sustainable community, we encourage members to bring their own reusable plates, cups, utensils and napkins to our potluck. <strong>Kiddush sponsor needed.</strong> Potluck assignments: <strong>A-H - Dessert or Drink</strong> <strong>I-P - Main Dish</strong> <strong>Q-Z - Appetizer or Salad</strong></td>
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