Kehilla’s Internet I.D. Policy
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Some Kehilla members have raised concerns about privacy regarding our community’s use of the internet, especially the use of social networking sites. These technologies keep changing and are hard to keep up with, but we want to recommend certain practices for today’s internet landscape to address privacy concerns including concerns about the potential for identity theft. We also want to encourage appropriate use of new technologies as they can help us connect and share information.

Policies:
• Pictures taken at a public site or of a Kehilla activity may be posted on the internet (including the Kehilla website and social networking sites) without names or other identifying information attached, without needing consent.
• If the person posting wants to put more information about individuals (including names), consent from those individuals (or their parent/guardian if they are under the age of 18) must be obtained.

You can identify pictures of Kehilla activities as “Kehilla Community Synagogue.” You can add your own name to pictures of yourself if you want to (‘tag’ yourself).

Internet ID Safety Tips:
Look yourself up on google, or another search engine, and you will find all the public references to yourself. If you don’t want your personal information available, definitely look yourself up on the Spokeo online phonebook, and on the online white pages, and remove yourself. There may be other similar people search sites as well.
www.spokeo.com
www.whitepages.com

Facebook frequently changes privacy settings, so we recommend checking up on your privacy settings (under ‘Account’) and listening for news of any Facebook-wide changes. For example, Facebook recently added a feature called “Instant Personalization” which shares your data with other websites and is automatically set to “Enable”. If you don’t want personal information to be shared, go to Account>Privacy Settings>Applications and Websites>Instant Personalization>at bottom of page Edit Settings, and un-check “Enable.”

On the Up Side:
Sharing your interest and/or involvement in Kehilla through the internet is a great way to get the word out about our community. Please consider posting pictures of and invitations to Kehilla events on social networking sites, and inviting your friends.