



Oy Veygas! Casino Night

ISN'T THAT NEXT WEEKEND???

Heck no, but if you were one of the unfortunate ones to have missed it for whatever reason, then **OY VEYGAS 2013** will be calling you!!

I promise to get the date to you much earlier next year so you can make sure to be there. You don't want to miss out again because we will be working hard to make it more FUNTASTIC than it was this year.

Next month's **MEGILLAH** will have the total recap of **OY VEYGAS** with lots of "thank you"s and how much \$\$\$ was raised for the temple and the Torah school.

I just wanted to write a quick THANK YOU right now to all who participated, donated and or volunteered. A SPECIAL THANK YOU to you if you did all three!

There are quite a few who did too. To put on a fundraiser of this size takes A LOT of work. To make it successful it takes PARTICIPATION from our congregation. There are many ways to help, from volunteering to help, to donating items for the silent auction or drawing prizes, sponsoring a table, to the easiest and most fun way by BRINGING FRIENDS and ATTENDING. Remember, you don't need to be Jewish to come, play, win and have fun at **OY VEYGAS**.

Look for my pudgy (but boyishly handsome) face again in the next **MEGILLAH** and I will give you the recap of OY VEYGAS 2012.

Your friend and fundraising chair person, Steve Moore. Please contact me at: oyveygas@templenerami.org





Chanukah is “early” this year...Purim is “really early” this year...What’s Going On with the Calendar?

by Rabbi Lisa Bock

Of course we have all noticed that the High Holy Days, Chanukah, and Passover seem to move around in relation to the beginning of the school year, in relation to winter

break and in relation to Christmas and New Year’s Day, and we tend to view whether Passover, in relation to Easter and spring break, is “early” or “late”, too.

It’s true - our dates move around, but why? What’s going on here?

Well, the Jewish calendar is based on the lunar calendar, so the 15th of every Hebrew month has a full moon. And then the calendar is also synced with the solar calendar, as we also incorporate an awareness of planting season, harvest season, the darkness of winter, and the beginning of new growth towards the end of winter – we keep our calendar true to the seasons, and that means we adjust our calendar to be consistent with the solar calendar.



Therefore, we have a “lunisolar” calendar, or fixed lunar year, based on twelve lunar months of twenty-nine or thirty days. We add one month to our calendar (Adar II – a second month of Adar), and we do this seven times every nineteen years (once every two to three years), so that we can synchronize the twelve lunar cycles with the slightly longer solar year. The solar year is longer than twelve lunar months by about 11 days.

Each Jewish lunar month starts with the new moon. Originally, the new lunar crescent had to be observed and certified by witnesses, but now in modern times, the moment of the new moon is approximated arithmetically.

We have a weekly cycle of seven days, consistent with the seven-day period of creation in the Book of Genesis. The names for the days of the week in the Hebrew calendar, like those in the Creation story, are simply the day number within the week: “first day/Yom Rishon,” “second day/Yom Sheni,” and so forth, with Shabbat being the seventh day. The Jewish day always begins at sunset, so the Jewish day is from sunset to the next sunset – our “day” begins in the evening!

The twelve Hebrew months and the number of days in them are: Nisan (30 days), Iyar (29 days), Sivan (30 days),

Tammuz (29 days), Av (30 days), Elul (29 days), Tishrei (30 days), Marcheshvan/Heshvan (29 or 30 days), Kislev (29 or 30 days), Tevet (29 days), Shevat (30 days), and Adar (29 days). In the leap years (such as 5771) an additional month, Adar II (30 days), is added after Shevat, and the regular Adar is referred to as “Adar I”.

The first month of the festival year is Nisan. 15 Nisan is the start of the festival of Passover, corresponding to the full moon of Nisan. Passover is a spring festival associated with the barley harvest, so the leap-month Adar II is inserted periodically to keep Passover in the northern hemisphere’s spring season. Since the adoption of a fixed calendar, these insertions in the Hebrew calendar have been at fixed points in a 19-year cycle.



One particular way that the difference between the Gregorian and Hebrew calendar impacts our lives is with Yahrzeit dates. If someone passes on a particular date, we traditionally remember that person’s passing on the Hebrew date each year. The anniversary of a person’s passing is their Yahrzeit, a Yiddish word that literally means “time (of) year.” So with the way dates move around – that is, when we compare the Gregorian date with the Hebrew date – that means that the date of this remembrance will move around a bit each year. At Temple Ner Ami, we recognize that some prefer to remember a loved one by following the Gregorian calendar, and we can do that if you let us know. We also record for you the Hebrew date, and our software system we use requires us to know not only the day, but the year as well. We have some dates that have defaulted in our system to 1901 or 1902, so if you receive a letter letting you know that you have a Yahrzeit coming up and it has this type of date on it, we welcome from you a call, note, card, or email kindly letting us know – as we are in the slow but worthwhile process of updating this information.

As we move forward further into the year 5773, may we be blessed with love and kindness, friends, family, and all that we need.

With blessing,

Rabbi Lisa



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President’s Report

Keith Elliott

Oy Vegas was a great success, and a great party! Steve Moore and his team outdid themselves, with

amazing food, a great venue, and a great time for everyone involved.

There is no way an event happens like this without all the people who volunteer so much of their time. In no particular order, the team this year included Bonnie Shubb, Moises Mercado, Kayla Kaden, Jeff Weinstein, Joseph Saleh, Susan Weinstein, Marc & Allison Grossmann, Steve & Jennifer Moore, Cathy & Gary Lieb, David Pitt, RJ Massey, Erica Hartman, Alex Goltz, Gary Goltz, Arla & Jay Crane, Dan Harris, Naomi Brill, Barbara & Shane Davis, Joan Frank, Keith & Robin Elliott, Aaron & Rena Dvoretzky, Eli Moore & friends, Bobbe & Dale Jacobs, Justin & Talia Lieb, Allyson Williams, Julia Newman, Rabbi Lisa & Ken Bock, Saul Lessler, Elvira Cabelli, Naomi Brill, Steve Graff, Sarene Wallace, Kim Honig, Gregg Hartman, Stan Baratta, Shari & Howard Brody, Casey Goldberg, Rona Witt and Darleen Phillips. If your name isn’t on this list, I am sorry! EVERYONE’S help was extremely valuable.

However, three people in particular deserve extra recognition-Barbara Davis and Cathy Kim Lieb for the amazing amount of work they did, and most of all, Steve Moore! We are extremely lucky to have people this dedicated on our side, believe me.

The Commemorative Air Force museum was both a pleasure to work for, and a wonderful place to spend the night. And let’s not forget that their message-that of remembering WWII-becomes more important every year. Truly, we would not be here in 2012 holding a fund-raiser for a synagogue without the effort and sacrifices of the men and women who built and flew the planes in the CAF museum. It was a good tribute to them that we were able to enjoy ourselves now, as one form of thanks for their sacrifices.

We also need to thank all of those people who supported TNA by attending the event, bidding in the auction, and donated in so many other ways. We’ll have events through the year to acknowledge those that have been able to support TNA in this way. And a special thanks to Allyson Williams and Joan Frank for these photos, too!



GOT KIDS?? DOING JEWISH??

Here's 4 ways you and your young child can become involved.....

☞ **Mishpacha:** A new family class for children ages 2-kindergarten and their "Mishpacha" (Moms, Dads, Grandparents). Children will learn about Jewish holidays and Bible stories, along with art, music, and cooking. In addition to participating with their child, parents will have a separate session with Rabbi Lisa on "Jewish parenting." Class is two Saturdays a month from 10:00-11:30. Free to members; nominal fee for non-members.

☞ **Torah School:** Wednesday afternoons from 4:15-6:15 (a little shorter time for the younger ones) we offer a Mommy, Daddy, Grandma and Me class, and a Pre-Kindergarten class. Nominal fee.

☞ **Shabbat babysitting:** Want to attend a Friday night service or Saturday morning Torah Study? Let us know and we will arrange for a teen to take care of your child at the Temple.

☞ **Olam Katan:** Coming in January, we will expand our Torah School classes for 2 and 3 year olds. Classes will

be held on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9:00-11:45. (This is a drop-off program).

Are you interested? Do you know someone who might be? Please contact Julia at educator@templenerami.org. Or call the Temple at 388-3824.

More Music.....

We now have Shirah (singing) on Mondays and Wednesdays with *Daniel Veselak* and *Avram Kohls*. Both teachers play the guitar and are teaching us new songs, new melodies for old songs and just some plain old silly songs. Join us!

Torah School Teacher to be honored by the Ventura County Jewish Federation

Our very own Eleanor Richman will be the 2013 Woman of Valor. A luncheon honoring her and co-honoree Bobbi Swerdlin will be held on January 25th at the Spanish Hills Country Club.



JOLT GOES TO THE ZOO

by Gil Ramot

Teachers and Madrichim are waiting eagerly at the gate of the Santa Barbara Zoo. How many families will show up? Two families arrive and we wait to see if more will come. And then a caravan of cars is

coming and they are all ours, and then another caravan, and another. We are a hundred and fifteen people - grandparents, parents, kids, and babies, all excited, all happy.

They all have their Zoo packets - we are learning about Noah and The Ark, and the names of the animals in Hebrew. Lions, elephants, giraffes and monkeys are all waiting for us. We come together to say the blessings for the food; one big Jewish community.

We welcome each other and say thank you. Thank you to the teachers and Madrichim, thank you to Rabbi Jordana, Julia, and Leah, thank you to JOLT, and a BIG thank you

to our Ventura County Jewish Federation that made this fantastic day possible. And then we are off to the choo choo train to see more animals.

When is our next JOLT trip (Jews Out Learning Together)?

We can hardly wait--we had so much fun today!!

TRY SMILING

(unknown origin)

*When the weather suits you not,
Try smiling;*

*When your office isn't hot,
Try Smiling;*

*When your neighbors don't do right,
Or your relatives fight,
Sure 'tis hard then you might-
Try smiling.*

*Doesn't change the things, of course-
Just smiling;*

*But it cannot make them worse,
Just smiling;*

*And it seems to help your case,
Brightens up a gloomy place;*

*Then it sort o' rests your fave-
Just smiling.*



(Special thanks to Anne Wolfson—for just smiling. -Ed.)



Sisterhood News!

by Bobbe Jacobs

Those of you who did not attend the Temple Ner Ami "Holiday Boutique", you really missed out on fabulous vendors and their

wares. These included beautiful jewelry, baby items, great selection of clothing, blankets, wonderful smelling soaps, Tupperware, leather items, and creative Chanukkah items. The Kosher hot dogs from the Brotherhood smelled divine.

An Art sale from Sisterhood and Torah Schools bake sale kept our volunteers very busy all day.

Steve Moore & Gary Goltz were our cooks. Arla Crane, Naomi Brill, and Barbara Hoff manned the art sale. Arla also put on a puppet show for the children.

Our fabulous photographer, Allyson Williams, took the pictures that grace the pages of the **MEGILLAH** for this month. She should probably set up a photo booth next year! She also made our booth signage.

To the Torah School moms who took shifts and sold bake goods, I would like to say "thanks" to all of you from the bottom of my heart. Most importantly, I could not have organized the Holiday Boutique without my husband, who is always there to help me with anything I do. We've been helping one another now for 40 years. He is my best supporter. Dale, thank you.

Sisterhood has great plans for the rest of this year, so ladies please come out and support our next meeting which is Thursday, November 15th. We are having Patty Glick as our guest speaker. She is a Health Specialist on diet and recipes.

Please put on your calendars Thursday, December 27th for our Holiday party, more information to follow.

Bobbe Jacobs



HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE

Photos by Allyson Williams.





MOVIE NIGHT

Annie Hall: Best Picture 1977

Saturday - October 27th, 6:30 pm

This endlessly funny, timeless and charming film runs the gamut from life in New York, to Jewish family life, to Jewish-gentile relations, to the meaning of love. Woody Allen's cultural references are very New York, very Jewish.

Diane Keaton deservedly won an Academy Award for her performance, Allen took home Oscars for direction and writing, and the film beat out "Star Wars" for Best Picture. Some reviewers have called this *one of the best movies ever made*, partly due to the perfect balance between sheer *entertainment, humor, poignancy and social commentary*.



"What does this movie say to you?" Discussion afterwards led by Shlomo

EAGER READERS BOOK CLUB

Meets Tuesday, November 13th, 11am

November Selection: **Madame Bovary**
by Gustav Flaubert

Amazon.com says,

"A thorough introduction to classic literature for those who have not yet experienced these literary masterworks."

For those who have known and loved these works in the past, this is an invitation to reunite with old friends in a fresh new format. From Shakespeare's finesse to Oscar Wilde's wit, this unique collection brings together works as diverse and influential as *The Pilgrim's Progress* and *Othello*. As an anthology that invites readers to immerse themselves in the masterpieces of the literary giants, it is a must-have addition to any library.



Each month a member selects a book for all members to read and discuss at the next meeting. So joining the club means you are reading at least one outstanding book every month. What a great idea! Please join us November 13th, at 11am.

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November Open House - Kabbalat Shabbat

If you attended our last Open House and Kabbalat Shabbat, you know firsthand that it was great to gather with fellow congregants in a fun atmosphere and get to know each other a little better prior to services. We also got to meet some new faces and welcome them into our temple family. It is a time to bring our community together and also open our doors to encourage new membership.



Conducting an Open House is no small feat. From publicity and mailings to food to nosh on, we could use your assistance in making our Open Houses and Kabbalat Shabbat a success. Sponsorship of our next open house is now available at a contribution amount of \$150. Please join us at 6 pm on Friday, November 30th!



TODAH RABBAH - Means Thank You!

Message from Naomi Brill, Oneg Chair

Dear Members:

Our new Oneg Chair, JOSEPHINE FREIFELD, has brought her enthusiasm and efficiency talents to presenting you with beautiful and delicious Onegs every Friday night. And ARLA CRANE, her able assistant in charge of obtaining volunteers, has been busy recruiting new people to help with our Onegs.



Sponsoring an Oneg in celebration of a happy event in your lives or remembering a loved one who is no longer with us has never been easier. All you have to do is call ARLA CRANE at 987-2000 and tell her which date you want to serve. You will be asked to either bring some goodies or to give the Temple a donation to cover same.

In October the Oneg on the 5th was beautifully handled by the Sisterhood and on October 19 BOBBE and DALE JACOBS sponsored the Oneg to honor DALE'S birthday and in memory of BOBBE'S brother, PAUL COHEN.

A big THANK YOU to all the above members who helped us with the Onegs. We urge you to join their ranks by volunteering to do this important job for the Temple. Just call ARLA CRANE at the above listed number.

Your Oneg Committee:

JOSEPHINE FREIFELD, Oneg Chair,
ARLA CRANE, Chair of Volunteer Sponsors,
and NAOMI BRILL, Editor.

MOVIE NIGHT

YENTL starring Barbra Streisand

Saturday - November 24th, 6:30 pm

Barbra Streisand portrays Yentl in this award-winning movie. Not too long ago, a girl was not permitted to study Torah. (Women, in general, did not have the rights that boys had.) However, in this movie based on a story by Isaac Bashevis Singer, this brave girl was determined to do just that, study Torah.

She pretends to be a boy. But that makes for (romantic) complications. Fortunately, at the end of this movie, it all turns out okay and she is able to come to the land of opportunity.

Guess where that is? Do girls in America have all the rights and opportunities that boys have? Do we have a responsibility to assist ANY group that is deprived of its rights?

After-movie discussion with Shlomo Kreitzer.



Dead Sea Scrolls Demystified

Friday, November 16, 2012



A short Shabbat service at 7:30 pm will precede a presentation by Dr. Thomas from Cal Lutheran University at 8 pm on Friday, November 16th. He will look at the Scrolls from a modern-day perspective.

Should be an excellent event!



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New Temple Ner Ami Fundraiser: For the Love of Steve!!!

Everyone knows our beloved Steve Moore -- Oy Veygas Visionary, Poker Player, Fish Fancier, and Pillar of Philanthropy for our Temple. You have seen him donating his time, charisma, enthusiasm, grilling skills, and money at every event TNA puts on.

Well, there is a way that you can show Steve how much you care and appreciate him.

Steve IS our next fundraiser!

Steve has been so busy giving of himself, that he has not been prioritizing his health. We want to show Steve how much we CARE and SUPPORT him by sponsoring him while he strives to lose **108** pounds (chai times six) from his current weight of 357 pounds to 249, by the Purim Carnival, February 24, 2013!!!

Please fill out this Pledge Card and turn it in to Mark Malloy at the temple office, or email Mark at admin@templenerami.org to let him know you want to sponsor Steve. We will be publishing the money raised and his progress reports in the **MEGILLAH**.



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2 Bruce Hochstadter	12 Flo Doctrow	21 Celia Teitell
3 Alyse Borla	12 Eleanor Odenberg	23 Jennifer Moore
3 Sheryl Rudie	15 Michael Bogen	24 Elvira Cabelli
5 Melvin Kuznets	17 Sara Erickson	27 Daniel Perr
8 Abigail Harris	18 Dan Harris	28 Tobi Schneider
10 Patricia Improta	19 Barbara Davis	

* This table is based on Temple records. If your information is missing or in error, please contact the Temple office.

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Tuesday evenings 10/30, 11/6, 11/13 @ 7:30 PM



"If I am not for myself, then who will be for me? And if I am only for myself, then what am I? And if not now, when?" (Avot 1:14)

"One who acquires a good name, has acquired something indeed." (2:8)

"Meet every person with graciousness." (1:15)

If these sound familiar, then you have heard some of the sayings from Pirke Avot. Pirke Avot contains *wisdom and ethics* that are foundational in Judaism.

Want to learn more?

Discover and explore this timeless wisdom and ethical sayings, as we apply them to our own lives, on Tuesday evenings from 7:30-9:00 pm in the Library. Materials will be provided, and if you have your own copy of Pirke Avot, please feel free to bring it.

This class is open to all, and if this is your first class or one of many, you are welcome to attend. All learning levels are welcome. Please call the office at (805)388-3824 or reply to this email and let us know that you plan to attend!

All sessions are on Tuesday evenings at 7:30 and led by Rabbi Lisa Bock, preceded by a Hebrew letters class at 7 pm.

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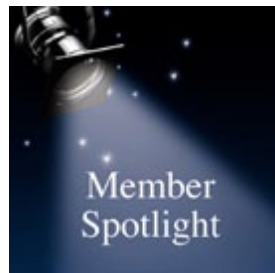


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Membership Spotlight - Dale & Bobbe Jacobs

by Barbara Davis, Membership Chair

The year was 1967. It was the summer of young love at the Masonic dance between the Pioneer Chapter – Order of DeMolay and the Harmony

Assembly – Order of Rainbow for Girls in Reseda, California. Little did Dale Jacobs, then a strapping young man, and Bobbe, an outgoing young lady, know that they had just met their future spouses. Time goes by, and now forty years later, Dale and Bobbe are just as much in love, if not more so.

Of course much has taken place in those forty years of marriage. The Jacobs have two children. Their daughter Angie lives in the San Fernando Valley and their son Joel lives in Minnesota. Joel is married to Aidi and together they have a four month old daughter, Sydney. Dale and Bobbe also have had a few four-legged children, as they breed and show Irish Setters.

Although born in Canton, Ohio, Dale grew up in New York and Los Angeles and has a great passion for Civil War history. He has participated in reenactments all over the United States. His graduation from San Fernando Valley State College provided the stepping stones needed to be a successful CPA and he has practiced for over twenty years. In the past six years, Dale has begun flying high in the aviation business and even though he is the Controller of Sun Air Jets (which offers chartered aircraft out of

the Camarillo airport), he still finds time to do the tax returns.

Bobbe's career began while working with CPAs and law firms but after a few decades in the business world, she decided to hit the books again. She returned to school and graduated from Cal. State University Channel Islands with her Bachelor of Arts in 2006. Bobbe has worked as a teaching assistant at Kadima Jewish Day School and now works for C&J Aviation at Camarillo Airport doing telemarketing.



The Jacobs are also avid volunteers. Both have been involved with the AYSO, Dale for 26 years and Bobbe for 15 years. Additionally, Dale's volunteerism extends being the treasurer of the Camarillo Chamber of Commerce, treasurer of T.E.A.M. Referral Network. Additionally, he recently completed his term on the Temple Ner Ami Board of Directors as the Treasurer. Bobbe has been an adult leader for the Girl Scouts and is currently the President of TNA's Sisterhood.

When asked what they love most about Temple Ner Ami the Jacobs answered "The warmth of the people who make up our Jewish congregation. We were welcomed with open arms at the first Friday night service we attended two years ago. The caring friendships, helping,



volunteering... if we need anything, I think we would only need to call TNA and they would be there."

JDRF Walk For Diabetes

by Barbara Davis

On the morning of October 13, Team Dawn Phenomenon headed to Leadbetter Beach in Santa Barbara for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation's *Walk to Cure Diabetes*. The team was captained by Temple Ner Ami's membership chairperson, Barbara Davis who has had Type 1 Diabetes since she was 11 years old. Also on the walk team was our Sisterhood President, Bobbe Jacobs.

This years team consisted of nine people and raised nearly \$2200 for the JDRF ranking fifth in fundraising efforts out of more than 20 teams! Next year, Barbara's goal is to double the team size and donation amounts. If you are interested in joining the team next year, please email Membership@TempleNerAmi.org.

Here are a few Type



1 Diabetes facts so that you can better understand how this chronic illness is different than Type 2 Diabetes. T1D is an autoimmune disease that is typically diagnosed in children. T1D has nothing to do with diet or lifestyle and those living with T1D must carefully balance insulin doses, via daily injections or insulin pump therapy. In addition, daily blood glucose

monitoring by way of a finger stick is needed several times a day. Barbara often checks her blood up to 10 times a day and also wears an implantable Continuous Glucose Monitor.

If you or someone you know has Type 1 Diabetes and they need support, please reach out to Barbara. She has worked with Diabetic Youth Services as a camp counselor and staff member for more than 20 years.

Upshernish Poem



My name is ____ and soon I'll be three
My parents are making a party for me
It's more than a birthday, as you'll read in this rhyme
We're going to cut my hair, for the very first time

An "upshernish" is Yiddish, it means cutting hair
A kippah an tzitzit, I'll now get to wear
The Torah compares a little boy to a tree
Whose fruit may not be cut, until it turns three

If its roots are well nourished, it will grow strong and pure
And then the tree - just like me - will always stand secure
My new kippah and peyot will announce clear and loud
That I am a Jewish boy and I'm so very proud

No more bruises and pins, no more ponytails and curls
Never again will I hear "what a cute little girl!"
So come take a snip, my hair I won't be missin'
Please join us for this beautiful tradition.

This poem is from invitation to a Upshernish ceremony for a boy about to be 3 years old. He will be getting his first hair cut.



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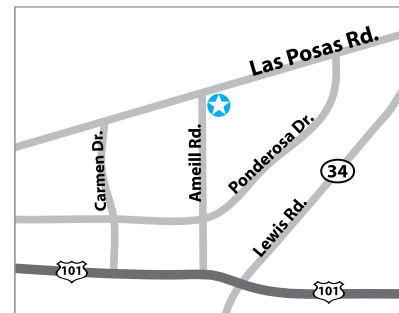
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NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

NAME	Date	Year
Allen & Marcia Zatkan	Nov. 14	42nd Anniversary
Ron & Sarene Wallace	Nov. 21	24th Anniversary
Seymour & Myrna Zimmerman	Nov. 21	61st Anniversary
Paul & Celia Teitell	Nov. 22	32nd Anniversary
Michael & Cathye Clark	Nov 23	27th Anniversary
Brian & Lisa Sadowsky	Nov. 27	15th Anniversary
Saul & Julia Lessler	Nov 30	22nd Anniversary

** Listings based on Temple records. If your info is missing or in error, please contact the Temple office so we may correct our database.*

Temple Hosts AAUW "Tech Trek" Recognition Event



On Thursday, October 11th the Temple hosted a gathering of over seventy teenage girls and their families. The girls participated in the week long "Tech Trek" camp at UC Santa Barbara this summer sponsored by the American Association of University Women.

Tech Trek is a science and math camp designed to develop interest, excitement, and self-confidence in young women who will enter eighth grade in the fall. It features hands-on activities in math, science, and related fields. All sleeping, eating, instructional, and recreational facilities are located on the UCSB campus where the camps was held.

Since 1998 AAUW Tech Trek has worked to help girls continue their interests in science, math, engineering & technology (STEM) exploration and learning, through the tricky years when new distractions enter their lives. Studies have shown that girls' interests can be sustained if they are exposed to the careers available to women in science today. Tech Trek provides some of that exposure.



The event started with a pizza party and a very professional video of the various activities they participated in during their week at the camp. In the picture above the girls are taking turns relating their personal highlights of the experience.

The Temple Gratefully Acknowledges the Following Contributions

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Naomi Brill
Robert & Patricia Improta
Judith Gale Kireger
Gregg & Sharon Hartman

Honorariums & Memorials

Irving & Arlene Bergman - *In loving memory of Arlene's Mother, Ruth Levy, and Celia Bergman, Irving's Mother*

Richard & Ellen Brand - *In loving memory of Ellen's Father, Phil Goodman*

Naomi Brill - *In loving memory of her dear late husband, Richard Brill. In gratitude for the honor of lighting the candles on Erev Yom Kippur at Kol Nidre service. A thank you to Keith Elliott for all you do for Temple Ner Ami. I wish you a rewarding term as our new President.*

Raja Desenberg - *In honor of her birthday, 10/2/12.*

Lee Edwards - *In loving memory of her late husband Jimmy.*

Brian & Juliaan Howell - *In loving memory of Juliaan's mother, Mildred Weiner*

Jack & Teri Milner - *Oneg sponsorship on 11/23 to honor their first grandchild, Jake Daugherty born 6/12/12.*

Bernard & Helene Scherer - *In loving memory of Helene's beloved Aunt, Roslyn Chaitow Cohen*

Jack & Marlene Votion - *In loving memory of Jack's father, Jack Votion*

Jim & Allyson Williams - *In loving memory of Rozlyn Stern, Grandmother of Allyson and Great Grandmother "Nana" of A.J. Williams*

Newman Scholarship Fund

Paul & Tobie Treitman - *In honor of Julia Newman*

General Donations

Anonymous - *may the entire Temple Ner Ami Family be inscribed in The Book of Life for a sweet new year!*

Rabbi's Discretionary Fund

Naomi Brill - *With many thanks to Rabbi Lisa for an inspiring and meaningful High Holy Days.*

Jack & Teri Milner - *In honor of their first grandchild, Jake Daugherty born 6/12/12.*

Libby Pierce - *in loving memory of her husband, Charles Pierce*

Yahrzeit Board Plaque

Yahrzeit plaque donation in loving memory of Simon "Sy" Blau from his loving wife, Isabel Blau.

High Holy Days Pledges

<i>Glen & Elizabeth Abergel</i>	<i>Fred Balch</i>
<i>Carolyn Berenson</i>	<i>Irving & Arlene Bergman</i>
<i>Seth & Charlotte Brandes</i>	<i>Harvey & Donna Brosler</i>
<i>Robert & Joyce Brown</i>	<i>Della Carmona</i>
<i>Jay & Arla Crane</i>	<i>Shane & Barbara Davis</i>
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<i>Brian & Juliaan Howell</i>	<i>Shlomo & Charlotte Kreitzer</i>
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<i>Betty Stallman</i>	<i>Michael & Pam Veselak</i>
<i>Ida Zeller</i>	

November Members' Yahrzeits

November 2, 2012 (Heshvan 12-18)

Emma Beacher.....mother of Libby Pierce
Hank Perlman.....husband of Sheryl Rudie
Sidney Santer.....father of Andrew Santer
Kitty Copeland.....mother of Sandra Goodwin
Rose Jaffe.....mother-in-law of Elaine Jaffe

November 9, 2012 (Heshvan 19-25)

Dodi Nussbaum.....grandmother of Danalynn Pritz
James J. Jacobson.....father of Shari Brody
Flora Warren.....mother of Carole Warren
Henry Copeland.....father of Sandra Goodwin
Beatrice Gottfurcht.....mother of Marilyn Seiden
Marion Zatkan-Dryer.....mother of Allen Zatkan
Martin Burger**.....husband of Lucrecia Burger
Alfred Amerikaner.....husband of Gudula Amerikaner
Rose Marcus.....mother of Naomi Brill
Nana Mary Wildbaum.....Grandmother of Kevin Harmon

November 16, 2012 (Heshvan 26 - Kislev 3)

Charles Hochberg.....father of Betty Fink
Abraham Beacher.....father of Libby Pierce
Yolanda Cramer**remembered by Jack Schapiro and Temple Ner Ami
Sam Zatkan.....father of Dr. Allen Zatkan
Bertha Shansby.....aunt of Jean Shev
Cele Weiss.....mother of Renee Stein
Edith Medlevine.....grandmother of Robert Moskowitz
Theodora Rosen.....mother of Gerald Rosen
Virginia Clarke.....mother of Michael Clark

** Name on the Yolanda Cramer Memorial Yahrzeit Board.

z"l In blessed memory.

The Temple's Yahrzeit Board has spaces available for remembering loved ones who have passed away. The requested donation for memorial plaques on the Yahrzeit Board is \$350.00 per plaque.

November 16, 2012 (continued)

Sylvia Heller**wife of Max Heller
Edward Pollock.....uncle of Gloria Brodie
Fritzi Schwade.....mother of Bonnie Shubb
Joseph Bergman.....father of Irving Bergman
Charles Fridberg.....husband of Ruth Fridberg
Zlotta Lertzman.....mother of Della Carmona
Rose Marcus.....Mother of Naomi Brill

November 23, 2012 (Kislev 4-10)

William Weinberg.....husband of Doris Weinberg
Carol Linz.....mother of Annelies Regen, z"l
Sy Blau**husband of Isabel Blau
Matthew Beacher.....brother of Libby Pierce
Esther Shev.....mother-in-law of Jean Shev
Louse G. V. Perantoni.....mother of Josephine Freifield
Dora Chorna**mother-in-law of Max Heller
Sol Rosen.....Father of Gerald Rosen

November 30, 2012 (Kislev 11-17)

Fannie Smith.....grandmother of Dr. Robert Improta
Louise Perantoni.....mother of Josephine Freifield
Samuel Cooperman.....father of Gilbert Cooperman
Gus Honick.....husband of Diane Honick
Barbara Zimmerman.....daughter of Myrna & Seymour Zimmerman
Maurice Clark.....father of Michael Clark
Morris Stolman.....father of Betty Stallman
Etta Bach.....grandmother of Sarene Wallace
Nadine Zneimer.....wife of Joel Zneimer

Sad News



Charles Pierce passed away peacefully on October 10th after a long illness. He survived years of imprisonment in concentration camps during the Holocaust, and used his experiences as motivation to live a life devoted to spreading peace and love amongst all people.

Our condolences go out to Libby Pierce, wife of Charles Pierce, and the entire Pierce family.

TORAH SCHOOL CALENDAR

NOVEMBER

Sat 3	Shabbat service (10:00 a.m.)
Mon 5	Regular session
Wed 7	Regular session
Fri 9	Shabbat Service with the 7 th Grade (Dinner)
Fr-Su-9-11	4th-8th Grade Shabbaton (weekend retreat at Camp JCA Shalom- Malibu)
Mon 12	NO SCHOOL - Veteran's Day
Wed 14	Regular session
Mon 19	NO TORAH SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Holiday
Wed 21	NO TORAH SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Holiday
Mon 26	Regular session Junior Youth Group 6:15 -7:30
Mon 28	Regular session

DECEMBER

Sat 1	Shabbat service (10:00 a.m.)
Sat 1	Pajama Havdalah & Parents Night Out
Mon 3	Regular session
Wed 5	Regular session
Fri 7	Teen Shabbat - Lox in the Box (sleepover & delivery on Saturday)
Sun 9	JOLT - Hanukah - Olive Oil Factory (tentative date)
Mon 10	Regular session- Camp Kadimah - Hanukah
Wed 12	Regular session + Camp Kadimah Hanukah
Fri 14	Shabbat Service with the 5 th /6 th Grade (Dinner)
Sat 15	B'nai Mitzvah Family Education (10:00-12:00)
Mon 17	Regular session
Wed 19	Regular session
Mon 24	WINTER VACATION
Wed 26	WINTER VACATION
Fri 28	Family Shabbat Dinner (6:00) and Service (7:00) Special activity for tots
Mon 31	WINTER VACATION

November Outside Organization Meetings



CITY OF HOPE

No Regular Meeting in November
Board Meeting - Monday 11/26 - 9:30 AM
Donald Seidler - 805-987-0917 - President

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Board - Thursday, November 1, 2012 - 10am
General Meeting -Thursday, Nov. 29, 2012 - 10:30am

For info call Shirley Law, 987-5468
President, Sharron Parker - 805-443-1998

NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS

Tues. Mixed Meeting 7-8:15 pm,
Tues. Mtg. Pot Luck, 11/27, 6pm
Wed. Mixed & Ladies Mtgs. 7-8:15pm
Sat. Mixed 6:30-7:30 pm, Pot Luck, 11/10, 5:30pm
Sunday (Men only) 7-8 am

HADASSAH

No Meetings in November at the Temple
Judy Meisels - Co-President 805-482-9222

TEMPLE NER AMI - November 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28	29 4:15p Torah School Grades 4,5,6,7 6p Choices, 8th Grade Program 6p Teen Connection	30 1p Taste of Judaism 7p Hebrew Letters Class 7:30p Adult Ed Pirke Avot Series	31 Halloween 12p Torah - Women's Perspective 4:15p Mommy, Daddy & Me 4:15p Torah School - PreK, Kinder, 1s	Nov 1 10 ORT Board Meeting 5p Harmon Rehearsal	2 7:30p Shabbat Service	3 9 Torah Study Class 10 Shabbat Morning Service 4p Read Harmon Bar Mitzvah
4	5 Daylight Saving Time Ends 4:15p Torah School Grades 4,5,6,7 6p Choices, 8th Grade Program 6p Teen Connection	6 Election Day 7p Hebrew Letters Class 7:30p Adult Ed Pirke Avot Series	7 12p Torah - Women's Perspective 4:15p Mommy, Daddy & Me 4:15p Torah School - PreK, Kinder, 1s	8 7p Brotherhood Meeting	9 7:30p Birthday/Anniversary Shabbat	10 9 Torah Study Class
11	12 Veterans Day No Torah School 4:15p Torah School Grades 4,5,6,7 6p Choices, 8th Grade Program 6p Teen Connection	13 11 Eager Readers Book Club 3p CPRT/First Aid Class 7p Hebrew Letters Class 7:30p Adult Ed Pirke Avot Series	14 12p Torah - Women's Perspective 4:15p Mommy, Daddy & Me 4:15p Torah School - PreK, Kinder, 1s 7p Board of Directors Meeting	15 7p JFS Board Meeting 7p Sisterhood Meeting & Speaker	16 7:30p Shabbat Service 8p Dead Sea Scrolls Demystified	17 9 Torah Study Class
18	19 Global Day of Jewish Learning No Torah School 4:15p Torah School Grades 4,5,6,7 6p Choices, 8th Grade Program 6p Teen Connection	20 7p Hebrew Letters Class	21 No Torah School 12p Torah - Women's Perspective 4:15p Mommy, Daddy & Me 4:15p Torah School - PreK, Kinder, 1s 7p Ecumenical Service-Tentative	22 Thanksgiving	23 6p Bring Your Own Dinner 7p Family Shabbat Service	24 9 Torah Study Class 6:30p MOVIE NIGHT
25	26 9:30 City of Hope Board Mtg. 4:15p Torah School Grades 4,5,6,7 6p Choices, 8th Grade Program 6p Teen Connection	27 7p Hebrew Letters Class 7:30p Adult Ed Series 2	28 12p Torah - Women's Perspective 4:15p Mommy, Daddy & Me 4:15p Torah School - PreK, Kinder, 1s	29 12p ORT General Meeting	30 Open House 6p Wine & Cheese Schmooze 7p Kabbalat Shabbat Service	Dec 1 9 Torah Study Class 10 Shabbat Morning Service 6p Pajama Havdalah & Parents Night

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