



# MEGILLAH

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## Our Torah School's "Empress of Education" Rides Into the Sunset



**Julia Newman**  
Torah School Principal





# Every Name Has a Face and Story

by Julia Newman

*How do you remember years of working in a school?*

*Do you write about the curriculum? Programs? Shabbat services? B'nai Mitzvah? The meetings. The money. The books. The food. How much candy in all these years? The letters, phone calls, conversations. The rubber chicken. Mazal Dov-the giant bear. Tzedakah Dog. The laughter. The worries. The frustration. The tears. The hugs.*

*But in the end, it just comes down to the people. My mind and heart are filled with memories. Every name has a face and a story.*

I have had the honor of working with Rabbis Yakov Latowicz, Kenneth Milhander, Michael Lotker and Lisa Bock.

I have had the privilege of working with Presidents of the Board of Directors Cindy Wolfsohn, Teri Milner, Marvin Krantz, Rick Lefkowitz, Steven Graff, Lenore Harriman, Arla Crane, Lew Stone, Dan Harris and Keith Elliott.

I have had the companionship and camaraderie of working with Temple Administrators Lihi Gershater, Katie Glenn, Kaila Kaden and Mark Malloy.

I have had the greatest joy of working with the most outstanding faculty, my teachers: Frieda Vandenberg Bahr, Sonia Banon, Julieta Barenbaum, Beth Barry, Jeff Belzer, Limor Bengio, Pam Bluestein, Ann Burke, Violet Coshever, Iris Daniel, Karen Dworsky, Andrew Felder, Jeff

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***But in the end, it just comes down to the people. My mind and heart are filled with memories. Every name has a face and a story.***

And I have had one of life's greatest gifts—to spend time with children and youth. To share a part of their lives—watching them grow and learn.

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*\*\*I have tried to include everyone but if I left off a name, please forgive me. And send me a note. Of course these lists don't include all of my Temple friends, who support and care for me in so many different ways.*

*From the bottom of my heart, I thank each of you for all that you have given me over the years.*

*I wish all of you the greatest gift of Shalom,*

*Julia*







The Board of Directors wishes to thank those members who have made an extra special financial commitment this year to support Temple Ner Ami.

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Our Community Welcomes...



The Consul General of Israel  
 in Los Angeles  
**David Siegel**

Sunday, June 2, 2013 - 3 pm

Community Town Hall Meeting  
 Temple Beth Torah - 7620 Foothill Rd. Ventura

RSVP to: 805-647-7800 or [www.jewishventuracounty.org](http://www.jewishventuracounty.org)

Jewish Federation of Ventura County - 7620 Foothill Road, Ventura, CA 93004



## An old man in ancient Israel....

Rabbi Lisa Bock



*An old man in ancient Israel was planting a fig tree, when a Roman general happened to pass by. The general says to the man, "Don't you realize it will take twenty years before that tree will grow enough to give fruit, and you will be long dead by then?" The old man responded, "When I was a small child, I could eat fruit because those who came before me had planted trees. Am I not obliged to do the same for the next generation?"*

Imagine driving down Lewis road and no longer finding the Temple. Imagine calling and no one answers. Imagine the sanctuary, empty and silent on Shabbat. No prayers, no voices, no children, no kaddish.

Now imagine instead: a foyer filled with people handing out prayer books, and welcoming and greeting one another, "Gut Shabbos!" "Shabbat Shalom!" "It's so nice to see you!" ...Imagine a parking lot filled and a sanctuary bustling with people. Prayer, song, Torah study, Sisterhood events, Teen Shabbat services, children's services, Tot Shabbat, Passover seders, classes, teachers, and students of all ages, from 9 to 90 and more, book groups, celebrations, baby namings, weddings...now imagine that not only for today, but also next year, five years from now, ten, fifty years, a hundred. Imagine Torah school, children chanting from our Torah scrolls as they become young Jewish adults. Imagine growing older here, with your community around you.

Which vision do you want?

Of course, the second image: to continue telling our stories, to pray and study to-

gether, to learn and celebrate together, to be Jewish together. We must support our vision of our being community for generations to come, vibrant, learning, and devoted.

The second image does not just happen. "Someone" doesn't just make it happen. As the saying goes, "It takes a village." We each know that we are "planting trees," like the old man in ancient Israel. We make it happen - intentionally, through our dedication and ongoing commitment to our Temple here in Camarillo. For us, "It takes a community." Each person's commitment to Ner Ami makes a significant difference.

Our Temple doors are open to those who come to visit, to learn and to pray, to talk with the Rabbi. Our Temple doors are open for you, to pray, learn, to be with your friends, to be guided by our Jewish values, to find meaning, to celebrate, and to comfort and be comforted. We are small enough to not only feel like we know everyone at Temple Ner Ami, but to actually know everyone at Temple Ner Ami. Our doors are open for our children, and it is our prayer that our doors will be open for our children's children.

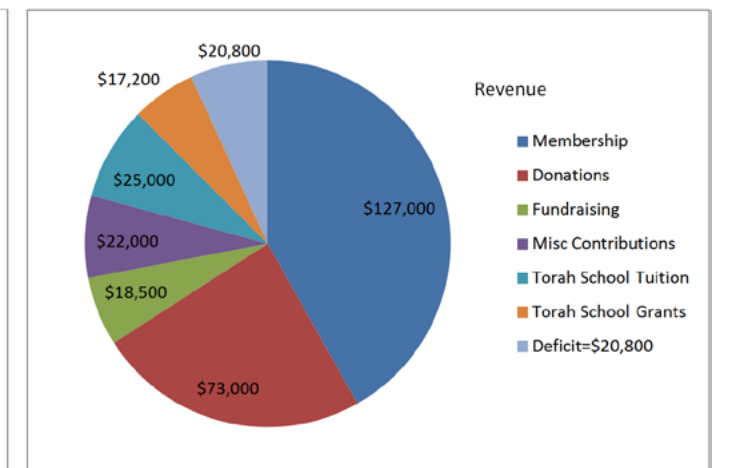
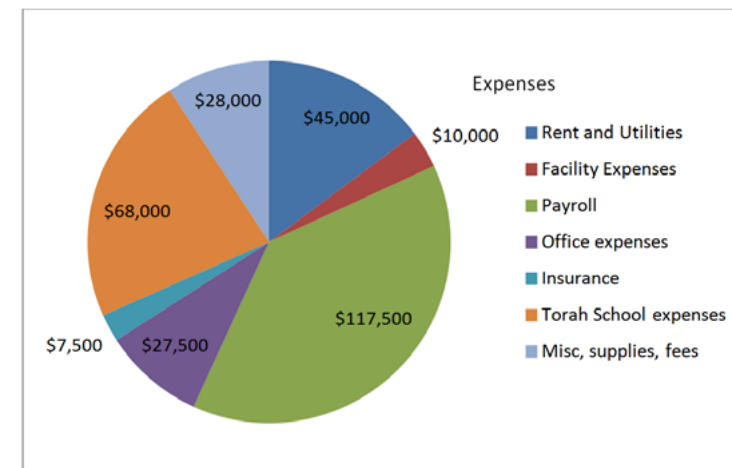
*"If there is no flour, there is no Torah; if there is no Torah, there is no flour (Pirkei Avot 3:21)."*

This is a saying in *Pirke Avot*, the *Chapters of Our Sages*, explaining that where there is no financial sustenance, there is no Torah, and without Torah, we do not build lives of financial sustenance (guided by Jewish values). At present, and seemingly as always, financial sustenance is necessary (but woefully not sufficient) for Jewish life to flourish and thrive.

Our treasurer, Bonnie Shubb has submitted some numbers that are shown below in a couple of pie charts - I think this information is important for you to know about, and more information will be presented at our July 10th Annual Meeting. This information is helpful to understand the effort and resources it takes to make Temple Ner Ami our physical as well as our spiritual home. At this time, though we have done some fundraising and made an appeal this spring, we are still short of "flour." For those who are not members, please become members. For those of you who are already members, please consider membership at a Donor Circle level this coming year, as we do not meet our expenditures through membership alone. If you are already a member at a Donor level, we thank you for your continued support, and your support is so very valued. To everyone, please support our fundraisers, including Oy Veygas. Support and attend Sisterhood events, the Purim Carnival, and of course, all our 'fun'raisers as well. We have an exciting year coming up, and your Temple Board is hard at work planning.

Together with your Temple Board, I thank you for your commitment to Temple Ner Ami, and thank you for your continued participation and commitment. As we move from the year 5773 into 5774 this September, please, support your Temple, come yourself, and bring your friends to our many services and functions, and most of all, like the old man in ancient Israel, help "plant a tree!"

With blessing,  
 Rabbi Lisa





# Sisterhood, Thank You!

On behalf of all of Temple Ner Ami, I want to thank our Temple Ner Ami Sisterhood for their generous funding of the restoration of one of our Torah Scrolls.

Not only that, I want you to be there to thank and congratulate Sisterhood on another successful year. Be there as they honor one of their own, and install their new Sisterhood board for the coming year at Shabbat services, 7:30 pm on Friday, June 7th.

And, if you are a woman at Temple Ner Ami, join me in becoming a Sisterhood member, and attend Sisterhood events. It is fun and a great way to make friends.

*With gratitude and thanks,*  
Rabbi Lisa



Our repaired Torah Scroll – back in use and more beautiful than ever, with our children gathered around...



**Temples Ner Ami & Beth Torah  
Mitzvah Day  
Home Renovation Project  
April 28th**



**TORAH SCHOOL & TEEN CONNECTION  
YEAR-END PICNIC  
&  
TEACHER APPRECIATION**

**MISSION OAKS PARK  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 29, 4:15 – 6:30**

PLEASE CALL THE TEMPLE OFFICE TO RSVP





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Contact us at:  
**Sisterhood@  
templenerami.org**



## Sisterhood News!

by Bobbe Jacobs

The word Torah is defined in the English dictionary as: "The body of Jewish religious literature and the core of the Jewish religion." Temple Ner Ami is very fortunate to own two Torahs. Each is more than 100 years old and has had a long history before reaching our Temple. It is not surprising, but was new to me, that some letters and words in the Torahs began to fade, smudge, crack and start to disappear. Fortunately, Rabbi Lisa was aware of this change and did some investigation. She was able to find a Rabbi who specializes in Torah restoration. She learned that the larger of the two Torah's was too expensive to repair. The second Torah could be restored so that the worst areas could be made readable once again. This, of course, needs to be done by hand and is very time consuming and expensive. With many Bar and Bat Mitzvahs planned at Temple in the next 8 months, this was an important need. Who knew that even Torah's need repair and maintenance?

The Board of the Sisterhood is very pleased to announce that Sisterhood paid for the work as well as the *atzet chayin* which means the "tree of life" (replacement of the dowels on which the Torah moves) as our gift to the Temple and its members. Sisterhood has in the past years supported the Torah School and other areas of need around the Temple. Just a few months ago, Sisterhood donated \$2000 to the Torah School and \$1500 to the Board of Directors for the Temple expenses. It was our pleasure to pay for the repair of our Torah, which is at the core of our history and religion.

Thanks to you for your membership in Sisterhood and for supporting the many activities and events that we sponsor. You

can see the importance of the work that we do!

The Sisterhood membership year starts July 1st, 2013 and runs through the end of June 2014. The dues this year will be \$25. We have three wonderful women who have already paid their dues for the new calendar year: Sharron Parker, Sharon Spielman and Gail Kleinman. We look forward to adding your name to the list for the next **MEGILLAH!**

Mark your calendars for a Sisterhood Shabbat coming up on June 7th. The new Sisterhood Board will be installed and the "Woman of Valor" for Temple Ner Ami will be honored. The award for this year will be presented to a very deserving member of our Temple family.

Reminder that the Sisterhood will be having a "White Elephant & Book Sale" at the Holiday Shopping Boutique on Sunday, October 20, 2013. So please check your bookcases and closets and see if you have anything you wish to get rid of. Place in a box and contact me and I would be happy to come and pick it up for you if you do not have room to keep it till October. Thank you. (805) 389-4320.

### **SUPER SISTERHOOD SALE!! 50% off of everything in the Gift Shop!**

We want to restock with brand new items soon. Please come by and take a look to see what you would like to purchase.

Our "phone tree" will be contacting you monthly to say hello and invite you to our upcoming events.

We look forward to seeing you on June 7th!



## EVERY DAY IS A NEW BEGINNING

By Diane L. Gough, M.A., MFT

Every loss we experience takes a little bit out of us. How do you replenish yourself after a loss? What has helped you heal? Do you talk to friends, family, your spiritual leader for guidance?

We each experience loss in our own personal way. After a loss we might want to be alone for awhile. At a certain point (you decide when) it is important to come back to your support network for help.



We will be starting a group meeting every other week on Wednesday afternoons entitled "**Every Day is a New Beginning**" to address positive ways to heal from loss. When you are ready, distractions such as laughter, exercise, volunteering and attending services may help reduce the pain of loss.

In this support group we will be sharing our experience of loss and how to live happily again. Through laughter, tears, storytelling and meditation we will help each other break out of the cycle of loss.

Please join us for a wonderful new experience when our group meets at the Temple on **Wednesday, June 19th at 1:30 pm.** For info call me at (805) 279-7160.



Harriet Lit

Through classes, counselling and life's lessons, I have learned that many of the beliefs I grew up with were incorrect. I needed to modify my thinking.

I was taught to be strong and do things myself. My new belief system is that strength is shown when we can ask for help. Many of us find it easier to offer help than to receive it. This is a habit worth changing. We should be able to give and receive.

I also grew up keeping secrets. One such secret I kept from the neighbors was that I was Jewish. My parents feared anti-semitism. They wanted us to blend into American society. I have learned that "secrets keep you sick". Perhaps I have gone to the other

extreme and am too open, but I am proud of who I am and what I have accomplished. Living in a world where the internet makes it easy for anyone to know everything about each of us, it truly is useless to think that we have any secrets.

When we are grieving, we feel that no one understands our loss. We may try to be strong for others and not take care of ourselves. So, I return to: let's be strong and ask for help and don't let secrets keep you stuck.

The following is an exercise that may help:  
**PROBLEM SOLVING STEPS:**

1. Identify the problem.
2. List ideas to solve the problem.
3. Select one method to try.
4. Assess the results.
5. Substitute another idea if the first didn't work.
6. Utilize other resources (ask friends, family, or professionals for ideas if your solutions didn't work).
7. Accept that the problem may not be solvable now.

If you would like to talk, join a support group, or have a story to share, please call me at: (805)484-9119.

**Remember: Every day is a new beginning.**

Need Help Coping with Life's Challenges?  
Call for **FREE** consultation!

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**Annual Meeting - Wednesday, July 10th, 2013 at 6pm**

Temple Ner Ami Members,

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I am advising the membership of Temple Ner Ami of the Annual Meeting, taking place at 515 Temple Avenue, Camarillo, on Wednesday, July 10, 2013 at 6pm. Election of new members to the Board of Directors will take place, plus year-end reports and the budget for fiscal year 2013/2014 will be presented.

All members are strongly encouraged to attend.

The next page is your household's individual Ballot and Proxy Statement. The top half is the ballot. If you prefer not to vote, you have the right to assign either the President of the Temple or another member to vote for you by proxy.

**Please mail your Ballot and Proxy Statement to Temple Ner Ami so that it is received on or before June 30, 2013.**

If you are a member and regularly receive eMail messages from the Temple, you will also be given the option to vote online. Watch the eNEWS for instructions.

If you have questions, please do not hesitate to call the Temple office, or contact me via email at [keith.elliott@templenerami.org](mailto:keith.elliott@templenerami.org)

L'Shalom,

Keith Elliott

Keith Elliott  
President, Board of Directors

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**For Members Only of JEWISH FAMILIES OF CAMARILLO, INC.**

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**Annual Meeting 6:00 PM, Wednesday – July 10, 2013  
Directors Ballot & Proxy – 2013/14**

Directors Gary Goltz, Steve Moore, Steve Graff, Keith Elliott, Joan Frank, Cathy Kim, Barbara Davis and Bonnie Shubb will return for the second year of their two year term. The Nominating Committee of Temple Ner Ami has proposed the following candidates for addition to the Board or Directors. Each director shall serve for a period of two (2) years. Place an X next to **each** name you approve of.

\_\_\_Naomi Brill \_\_\_ Julia Newman \_\_\_Mitchell Schwartz \_\_\_Lisa Schwartz \_\_\_Melissa Trinidad

OR write-in candidate \_\_\_\_\_

Member's Name

Member's Signature

Date

***IMPORTANT: If you do not cast your ballot via eMail, please vote by cutting out, completing, and returning this ballot/proxy statement to Temple Ner Ami by June 30, 2012.***

**If you do not wish to vote, please complete the proxy below.**

The undersigned member of the above-named organization hereby revokes all previous proxies, acknowledges receipt of the notice of the upcoming annual meeting and appoints:

CHECK ONE ONLY:  The President of this organization

OR

\_\_\_\_\_  
(another member of Jewish Families of Camarillo, Inc.)

as proxy of the member. By this proxy, the proxyholder shall have the power of substitution and revocation and the power to use this proxy and otherwise represent the member at said meeting and any adjournment thereof in the same manner set out below. Any act the proxyholder shall take pursuant to this proxy shall have the same effect as if the member were present and so acting.

This proxy shall be used for the purpose of establishing a quorum. In addition, with regard to voting on matters set forth below, or on other matters which may come before the meeting the proxyholder is hereby instructed to use this proxy as follows:

\_\_\_ This proxy is to be used for quorum purposes only and may not be voted.

\_\_\_ This member chooses to abstain from voting for new board members, but instructs the proxyholder to vote as she/he deems advisable on other business that may come before the meeting.

\_\_\_ This proxy will be voted, as the proxyholder deems advisable on each matter, and on other business that may come before the meeting. The primary purpose of this proxy is to elect new board members.

Member's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Member's Name \_\_\_\_\_



**Who do I want my child to be?**

a) a happy camper  
 b) a proud Jew  
 c) a mensch  
 d) all of the above

If you answered a, b, c, or d... give your son or daughter a summer experience that will pay dividends for a lifetime.

These exciting Summer Camp Activities are sponsored by the



For registration go to [www.jewishventuracounty.org](http://www.jewishventuracounty.org)  
 Click on "Summer Camp"

### Teen Haverim

for incoming 6-12 graders  
 June 18-July 25 (No camp July 1-5)

A summer outing and mitzvah program for Jewish teens. Meets in the afternoons from 1:00-5:00 (some exceptions) on Tues, Wed and Thurs. Two afternoons a week are devoted to traveling and having fun together and one afternoon is planned as a tikkun olam (community service). Outings include: Kayaking, Train Trip, Magic Mountain, Overnight Camping, Dodger Game, Movies, Lazer Tag, Beach BBQ.  
 Location: Temple Ner Ami, Camarillo. Contact: Gil Ramot - (805) 388-3824; (805) 223-3497 eMail: gilramot@hotmail.com.

### CAMP RUACH (SPIRIT)

for incoming 4-5th graders - July 22-July 26 (9am-4pm)

Got Ruach?? Then you'll want to go to a *spirit* filled camp experience designed specifically for active 4th & 5th graders. Learn fun new words in Hebrew like *Glee-da* as you go on day trips to Sky High, Vertical Heaven, Firefly Pottery, Casitas Water Park, Golf 'N Stuff, Movies. There's also Cooking, Arts & Crafts and Water Fun. And don't forget--making new Haverim (friends)!  
 Location: Temple Beth Torah, Ventura Contact: Danielle Stoyanoff (805) 647-4181 x19 eMail: tssecretary@templebethtorah.com

### Camp Gan Israel

Ages 6-10 and 11-13 - July 8 - July 26

Give your child a summer in a wholesome environment for mind, body and spirit, nurturing Jewish identity and friendships! At our beach-front location, activities such as art, sports, cooking, Hebrew and field trips are used as a springboard for developing values and character building. Children will participate in community service projects and doing mitzvot while having organic-fun and creating memories to last a lifetime!

Location: Chabad of Oxnard  
 Contact: Racheli Muchnik (805) 382-4770 eMail: info@chabadofoxnard.com

### Camp Kef (fun)

for incoming 1-3 graders - July 29-Aug. 9 (9am-4pm)

Jewish camp has never been this much *kef* (fun). A wonderful summer program for young children which includes arts & crafts, baking, water-play, sports and field trips to Pump-It-Up, Children's Museum, Bowling and more...

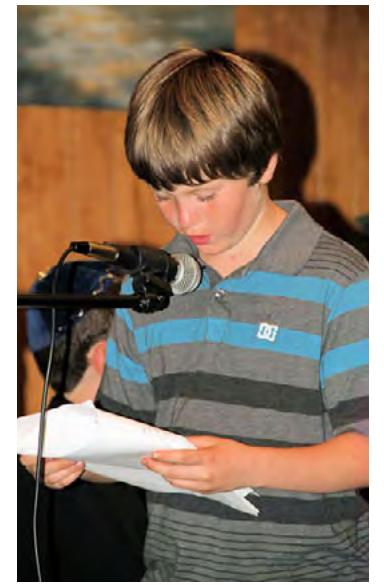
Location: Temple Beth Torah, Ventura  
 Contact: Danielle Stoyanoff - (805) 647-4181 x19  
 Email: tssecretary@templebethtorah.com

### Gan Camarillo Preschool

Pre-K and Kinder, July 1- July 26 (9:30am-3pm)

Challah baking, Stories, Israeli dance, Drama. Jewish songs, group discussions and creative crafts, combine to create an atmosphere of joy, fun and spirit in each child that attends! Our experienced early childhood educators provide a safe and loving environment where each child feels "at home".

Mon.-Fri., half day options available.  
 Location: Gan Camarillo Preschool  
 Contact: Leah Lang (805) 982-0831 eMail: Leahlang@gmail.com



Tot Shabbat Service - April 26th



Photos courtesy Allyson Williams



### New Adult Ed Class Series "God-Wrestling"

Rabbi Lisa Bock is leading an Adult Education Series on Tuesday evenings at 7 pm in May and June, based on the views presented in "Finding God," Sonsino and Syme's book on the Jewish Views of God. We'll explore great thinkers, post-holocaust views, and our own views.

- May 28: Views of God by Luria and Spinoza
- June 4: Views of God by Buber and Steinberg
- June 11: Views of God by Kaplan and Fromm
- June 18: Views of God by Heschel and Reines
- June 25: Post-Holocaust Views and Our Views







# Oy Veygas!

Oct. 12, 2013

## Help me, help you, HELP US!

We're looking for prizes & silent/live auction items. We need your help!

Do you or someone you know have a business that sells goods or services? Or maybe you are friendly with an owner, manager or employee of a business that you frequent? Maybe you know an orthodontist for example and maybe they would be willing to donate a set of braces. Doesn't sound like a fun prize (especially if you are the recipient), but most



parents have to spend that money on their child anyway so it would be a great silent auction item. Maybe you know the manager or a waitperson at your favorite restaurant. Chances are you could talk them into donating a \$25 or \$50 gift certificate. Restaurants do that all the time; it's good advertising.



Maybe you have a car, boat, motorcycle or camper or something that you don't really use anymore and would like to have that space back in your garage or driveway or you may even be paying storage on it. Donate it, get a tax write off and we will use it as a silent or live auction item. It's a win-win.

Maybe you have so many frequent flyer miles built up that you could donate a couple of tickets to go with a vacation that someone donated to a timeshare or a vacation home they might have.

I think that you are getting the idea. Everyone has something to offer. Please don't pass the buck and think that somebody else will do it—that somebody is YOU!

Please call me if you have something or have an idea. My cell is 805-207-8660 or you can email me at [oyveygas@templenerami.org](mailto:oyveygas@templenerami.org)



Please help Barb, Cathy and I make the 3rd Annual OY VEYGAS, on October 12th, the most successful yet!

Your fundraising chairperson, Steve Moore



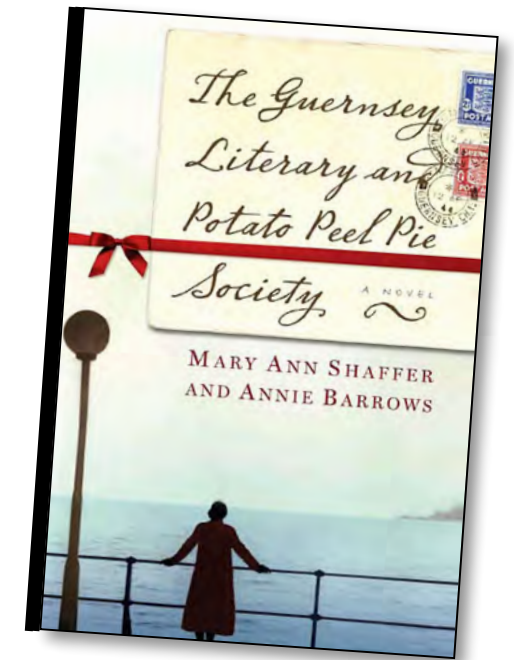
## Eager Readers Book Club

Meets Tuesday, June 11th, 11am

June Book: *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society*

Set in both London and Guernsey Island, this novel follows author Juliet as she becomes friends with the inhabitants of the island shortly after the end of World War 2. Told in epistolary style, Juliet learns of the occupied island and its deprivations, as well as the resounding spirit of the people who live there. As she writes, she becomes more and more intrigued with the stories of the people who survived the hard times, and she decides to create a book based on their experiences. In order to gather more information, Juliet moves temporarily to the island and soon finds herself immersed in the culture and relationships.

This is absolutely one of the most delightful books I've read all year. The characters are real, the relationships are unique, and Juliet is hysterically funny, as well as warm hearted and genuine. I did have a bit of trouble keeping all the characters straight in the beginning, but once I caught on, I was enthralled. The pages just fly by and while you will learn a little of what happened to Guernsey during World War 2, you will learn much more about love and friendship. Highly recommended! (Customer review from amazon.com)



Each month a member selects a book for all members to read and discuss at the next meeting. Joining the club means you are reading at least one outstanding book every month. What a great idea! Please join us June 11th in the Irv Dubin Library, at 11am.

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Bailey Harmon	Saturday June 1, 2013	Spencer Baratta	Thursday June 20, 2013
Sarah Scheerger	Tuesday June 4, 2013	Jacob Clark	Thursday June 20, 2013
Cassandra Posner	Friday June 7, 2013	Ayla Dvoretzky	Thursday June 20, 2013
Pamela Bogen	Monday June 10, 2013	Steve Moore	Friday June 21, 2013
Alex Grant Sadowsky	Monday June 10, 2013	Lucrecia Burger	Saturday June 22, 2013
Robin Elliott	Tuesday June 11, 2013	Michael Bogen	Wednesday June 26, 2013
Richard Lefkovits	Tuesday June 11, 2013	Caleb Gill	Thursday June 27, 2013
Sandra Fischler	Wednesday June 12, 2013	Marc Grossmann	Thursday June 27, 2013
Diane Gough	Tuesday June 18, 2013		

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




## JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

Name	Date	Year
Brad & Elvira Cabelli	June 1st	27th Anniversary
Ken & Lisa Bock	June 3rd	29th Anniversary
Marty & Tobi Schneider	June 7th	16th Anniversary
Dr. Greg & Sharon Hartman	June 10th	23rd Anniversary
Alan & Barbara Hoff	June 10th	34th Anniversary
Jay & Arla Crane	June 13th	33rd Anniversary
Jerry Lewine & Sheryl Rudie	June 13th	38th Anniversary
Gerald & Natalie Rosen	June 16th	56th Anniversary
Donald & Mildred Seidler	June 18th	69th Anniversary
Rick & Diane Gough	June 27th	44th Anniversary
Max & Josephine Freifield	June 28th	10th Anniversary

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 Please join us  
 as  
**AYLA MICHAEL  
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# TODAH RABBAH - Means Thank You!



**Dear Members:**

A big THANK YOU to our volunteers in the month of May: LIBBY PIERCE was our Oneg volunteer on May 10 and she did it in honor of her own birthday. We wish you a Happy Birthday, Libby, and many more, and we thank you for so graciously sponsoring the Oneg even though you were unable to attend the event.

lives or by remembering someone who has died. All you have to do is call ARLA CRANE at (805)987-2000 and tell her which Friday night you would like to serve. You are requested to either bring some of the food to be served that night or by writing a check to the Temple for this honor.

And let's thank JOSEPHINE and MAX FREIFELD for doing such a great job of setting up and cleaning up the Onegs. They are at Temple every Friday night faithfully doing this service to the Temple. They and the Temple certainly deserve the help and cooperation of you, our members.

**Your Oneg Committee:**

- JOSEPHINE FREIFELD, Oneg Chair
- ARLA CRANE, Chair-Volunteer Sponsors (805) 987-2000
- NAOMI BRILL, Editor

Russell and Becky Kamola sponsored on May 17th in honor of their son Jackson's Bar Mitzvah.

Members, please remember that our Onegs (social hour after Friday night services) are sponsored by YOU the members of our Temple. It is appropriate to do this by honoring someone for an important occasion in their

# In Our Own Voice

**Programs by NAMI Ventura County Include:**

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- Provider Education Program
- Family Support Groups
- Parents and Teachers as Allies
- Ending the Silence
- Monthly Speaker Series

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 Camarillo, CA 93011  
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 Email: info@namiventura.org  
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NAMI Ventura County's In Our Own Voice is an hour and fifteen minute presentation that helps the community come to a better understanding of people living with mental illness by listening to their lived experience.



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The two presenters will cover:

1. Dark Days
2. Acceptance
3. Treatment
4. Coping Skills
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**Friday, June 14th a speaker from NAMI will speak to us about this very important program after our regular 7:30-8:00 pm Friday night Service.**



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*In loving memory of Shari's grandmother, Anna Jacobson, and Harold Manoff*  
Howard & Shari Brody

*In honor of Julia Newman's birthday, and with thanks to Rabbi Lisa, Ken and everybody who donated food or drink for a most enjoyable Donor Evening*  
Lee Edwards

*In loving memory of his son in law, Isaac Diamond and his father, Yechiel Feingold*  
Israel Feingold & Phyllis Slade

*In loving memory of her beloved husband, Stanley Feldman*  
Roz Feldman

*In honor of his friend, Joel Zneimer*  
Max Friefield

*In loving memory of his wife, Barbara Hochstadter*  
Bruce Hochstadter & Marilyn Roth

*In loving memory of John's parents, John and Viola Kerwien*  
John and Beverly Kerwien

*In loving memory of Irwin Kushner*  
Hannah Kushner

*Fran & Mel Kuznets in loving memory of Fran and Julia's mother, Irene Newman*  
Mel & Fran Kuznets

*In loving memory of her parents, Sidney and Celia Valentine*  
Sylvia Leventhal

*In memory of my Malenbaum family lost in the holocaust*  
Gerald & Inge Malenbaum

*In loving memory of her husband, S/SGT Abraham I. Mandel, U.S.M.C. and in Honor of her son, William B. Mandel and her son in law, Crandall D. Jones*  
Phyllis Mandel

*In loving memory of Steve's father, Robert Moore*  
Steve & Jennifer Moore

*In honor of her birthday*  
Libby Pierce

*In loving memory of her Mother, Helen Levinson,*  
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*Glen & Elizabeth Abergel*  
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## Yahrzeit Board

*John & Beverly Kerwien*  
*Verna Merrin*

# June Members' Yahrzeits

## Friday, May 31st for May 26-June 1 (Sivan 17-23)

Henry Nadler ...Father of Clarice Shapiro  
Rose Epstein ...Mother-In-Law of Bernice Epstein  
Esther Frankel ...Mother of Nadine Frankel  
Ethel Huvad ...Mother of Richard Huvad  
Maury Zeitz ...Father of Judy Sitko  
William Bloom ...Brother of Doris Weinberg  
Oscar Shev\*\* ...Husband of Jean Shev  
Melvin Metz ...Father of Cathye Clark  
Abraham Mandel ...Husband of Phyllis Mandel

## Friday, June 7th for June 2-8 (Sivan 24-30)

Sidney Valentine ...Father of Sylvia Leventhal  
Harold Gordon\*\* ...Husband of Fayrose Gordon  
Doris Kadish\*\* ...Mother of Barbara Michaels  
Lester Beacher ...Brother of Libby Pierce  
Margaret Frank ...Mother of Joan Frank  
Theodore Shapiro ...Brother of Mike Shapiro  
Pearl Zimmerman ...Mother of Rita Cooperman  
Jacob Kadish ...Grandfather of Barbara Michaels  
Penney Dodson\*\* ...Sister of Teri Milner  
Ruth Levy ...Sister of Sarah Brejensky

## Friday, June 14th for June 9-15 (Tammuz 1-7)

Robert Rosenberg ...Brother of Sheila Bachelis  
Phillip Bornstein ...Uncle of Bill Goldstein  
Mark Schwade ...Father of Bonnie Shubb  
Marvin Belzer\*\* ...Father of Maynard Belzer  
George Lotker ...Father of Michael Lotker  
Helen Levinson ...Mother of Loretta Reshes  
Samuel Rosenberg ...Father of Sheila Bachelis  
Bea Erlich ...Mother of Richard Erlich  
Stanley Feldman ... Husband of Roz Feldman  
Florence Gorelick ...Mother of Diane Honick

## Friday, June 21st for June 16-22 (Tammuz 8-14)

Ron Fink ...Son of Betty Fink  
William Kreitzer ...Father of Shlomo Kreitzer  
Ron Frankel ...Brother of Nadine Frankel  
John Woolf ...Father of Claire Goldstein  
Frieda Belzer\*\* ...Mother of Maynard Belzer  
Nettie Zimmerman ...Mother of Seymour Zimmerman  
Frances Crane ...Mother of Jay Crane  
David Chorna\*\* ...Remembered by Temple Ner Ami

## Friday, June 28th for June 23-29 (Tammuz 15-21)

Sol Shye\*\* ...father of Lihi Gershater  
David Jacobs ...Nephew of Zelda Greentree  
Bessie Woolf ...Mother of Claire Goldstein  
Sol Mesirov\*\* ...Father of Fred Mesirov  
George Schneiderman ...Father of Natalie Rosen  
Joseph Redman ...Father of Nancy Borelli  
Florence Weiss ...Aunt of Gloria Brodie  
David Pollock ...Uncle of Gloria Brodie  
Joseph Redman ...Grandfather of Sarah Scheerger  
Abe Epstein ...Father-In-Law of Bernice Epstein  
Fay Baker ...Mother of Barbara Hoff, Mother-In-Law of Alan Hoff

## Friday, July 5th for June 30-July 6th (Tammuz 22-28)

Albert Brooks ...Father of Gloria Brodie  
Norman Nussbaum ...Grandfather of Danalynn Pritz  
Sidney Dick ...Father of Mel Dick  
Bernard Graham ...Uncle of Deborah Blum  
Owen Desenberg ...Husband of Raja Desenberg  
Rae Hochberg ...Mother of Betty Fink  
Cecilia Levin\*\* ...Wife of Richard Levin

\*\* 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 \$360.00 per plaque.

*Note: The above listings cover honorarium, tribute, and fund donations received between April 22nd and May 21st.*

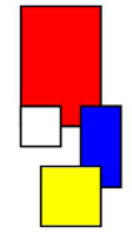


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**June Outside Organization Meetings**

**CITY OF HOPE**  
 Board Meeting, Mon. 6/24 9:30am  
 No Regular Meeting in June  
 Joan Rines, Co-President - 805-987-2147  
 Al Schwartz, Co-President - 805-482-4299

**NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS**  
 Tues. Men & Womens Meeting 7-8:15 pm  
 Wed. Men & Womens Meeting 7-8:15pm  
 Sat. Men & Womens Meeting 6:30-7:30 pm  
 Sunday (Men only) 7-8 am

**ORT**  
 Board Meeting- Thursday, June 6th - 10am  
 General Mtg. (See above) Thursday, June 27th, Noon  
 To RSVP for lunch call Silvia Lippe at 805-987-4477  
 For info call Shirley Law, 805-987-5468 or  
 President, Cynthia Urbach - 805-419-4403

**TEMPLE NER AMI - June 2013**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	31	Jun 1
	Memorial Day No Torah School Today OFFICE CLOSED - HOLIDAY Memorial Day 9:30 City of Hope Board Mtg.	7p Adult Ed. God-Wrestling: Luria & Spinoza	Last Day of Torah School 12p Torah - Women's Perspective 4:15p Year End Torah School Party	5p Bar Mitzvah Rehearsal - Dina	6p ShaBBQ 7p Kabbalat Shabbat Service 7:44p Candle lighting	9 Torah Study Class 10 Cooper D'nca Bar Mitzvah 10 Shabbat Morning Service
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
2:30p Federation Town Hall Meeting		7p Adult Ed. God-Wrestling: Euber and Stein	12p Torah - Women's Perspective	10 ORT Board Meeting	7:30p Sederhood Shabbat Service 7:48p Candle lighting	Rosh Chodesh Tamuz 9 Torah Study Class 10 Talmud class
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Rosh Chodesh Tamuz		11 Eager Readers Book Club 7p Adult Ed. God-Wrestling: Kaplan and For	12p Torah - Women's Perspective 7p Board of Directors Meeting		Flag Day 7:30p Birthday/Anniversary Shabbat 7:54p Candle lighting	9 Torah Study Class 10 Talmud class
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Father's Day		7p Adult Ed. God-Wrestling: Heschel and Re	12p Torah - Women's Perspective 1:30p Everyday is a New Beginning	5p Bar Mitzvah Rehearsal Dvoretzky	7:30p Shabbat Service with Board Installation 7:53p Candle lighting	9 Torah Study Class 10 M'ga Dvoretzky Bat Mitzvah
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	9:30 City of Hope Board Mtg.	Tzom Tammuz Fast of the 17th of Tamuz 7p Adult Ed. God-Wrestling: Post-Holocaust	12p Torah - Women's Perspective	12p ORT General Meeting 7p Sederhood Meeting	5:30p Tor Shabbat Program 6p Bring Your Own Dinner 7p Family Shabbat Service 7:54p Candle lighting	Rescue Mission Service 9 Torah Study Class 10 Talmud class
30	Jul 1	2	3	4	5	6
		12p Torah - Women's Perspective 1:30p Everyday is a New Beginning		Independence Day 10 ORT Board Meeting	7:30p Shabbat Service 7:54p Candle lighting	9 Torah Study Class 10 Shabbat Morning Service

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