

## GALA TO HONOR FREE AND WEISS FAMILIES ON MAY 31, 2014

### MEET DAVE AND MINDY FREE

When David Free told his parents that he planned to marry Mindy Osterfeld in a Jewish ceremony and raise Jewish children, their response surprised and delighted him. They said, “We support you fully, but we want you to become involved in your new religion. You need to do this with Mindy.” So, David did as his parents said, and he has never regretted it.



Mindy and David

Born in a suburb of Philadelphia, David’s parents and his two brothers moved about every four years as his father’s job with an oil company took him all over the United States. He went to church, attended religious school regularly and played sports. He graduated high school in Concord, CA, and his parents told him he could go to any college in California. His

choice was San Diego State, and as fate would have it, he found an apartment in the same building in which a young coed named Mindy was living.

Mindy grew up in the Valley surrounded by a large, close-knit family. Her parents, Mel and Marilyn Osterfeld, who owned Pioneer Chicken, belonged to Temple Soleil. Mindy also attended services with her grandparents at an Orthodox shul on special occasions.

Until her grandmother died at age 98 a few years ago, the family gathered for Shabbat every week at Papa Herman and Nana Fanny’s home. It was not unusual for 35 family members to show up for holiday celebrations. Mindy’s parents still live in Woodland Hills, and her two sisters and their families are nearby.

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 a little nosh, and entertainment!

## MAZEL TOV TO OUR MARCH B'NAI MITZVAH FAMILIES

*Saturday, March 8*

Brian and Judy Hansen and Family  
on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter  
Sarah Hansen

Jay and Sue Sculler and Family  
on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter  
Rebecca Sculler



## MEN OF TAS SHABBAT

On Friday night, January 24, 2014, the Men of Temple Ahavat Shalom (MoTAS) hosted a special Shabbat dinner and service for the TAS community. The goal of the evening was to introduce and remind the congregation of the role of MoTAS in building relationships between the men in the congregation, MoTAS and the congregation, and MoTAS and the larger Jewish community. The dinner/service also provided the opportunity to recognize members of MoTAS for their service and to announce our Men of the Year.

A group of approximately 75 people enjoyed a Chinese New Year style dinner catered by Silver Spoons, one of the Temple's preferred caterers. MoTAS selected Silver Spoons because Scott Tessler, its owner, is active with the Temple Beth Hillel Brotherhood. MoTAS believes that we must build relationships between the various Brotherhoods in the Valley, and we are starting with Temple Beth Hillel. During the dinner an introductory presentation about MoTAS was given by Daniel Faigin, VP of MoTAS. You can find this presentation by [clicking here](#).

At the service the night's attendance increased and approximately 140 people joined Rabbi Lutz and Cantor Roher in worship with MoTAS that featured special readings and a special musical program selected by the Cantor of only male composers.

MoTAS expresses its gratitude to our partners in Sisterhood for helping with the setup, cleanup, and for their wonderful Oneg, to those men who arrived early and helped with the setup, and to those men who participated in the service: Mel Janis, Roger Lowe, Brian Hatkoff, Bob Levine, Mike Thornhill, Daniel Faigin, Jeff Shulman, Joe Blachman, Joel Lowell, Barry Mann and Howard Miller.



## CONTINUED FROM COVER...

Mindy and Dave were engaged by the time they graduated from San Diego State, and they were married on September 23, 1978, at the Calabasas Inn. When they decided to make their home in the North Valley, they looked for a temple and a pre-school program. In 1987, they began their tenure at TAS where they have served on a variety of committees and on the board of directors all through the years.

Mindy worked for the IRS until her son Brian, 31, married to Kristy, was born. Then along came Andy, 29, married to Shana, and Alex, 26, who is engaged to Anya. Their three boys were heavily involved in ice hockey and were part of several traveling hockey teams. Mindy says those years were all consuming with juggling Hebrew and the heavy hockey schedules.

Perhaps the most important part of this growing family story is the arrival of grandchildren—Nathan, 3, and Charley, two months—the children of Brian and Kristy. Both Mindy and David are hands on grandparents and delight in the new generation.

David, a CPA, was a partner in the accounting firm Singer Lewak in Los Angeles, where he worked for 30 years. He has recently made a change and joined Miller & Co. in the West Valley as a partner. Their client base is entertainment industry-oriented. The Frees love to travel and try to take two trips a year, visiting New Zealand, Australia, South Africa, Israel, South America and most of the 50 states. They have

season tickets for the LA Kings and continue to be rabid hockey fans. A highlight of their fandom was the year the Kings won the Stanley Cup.

Mindy notes that most of her lifelong friendships grew out of the Mommy and Me and ECEC programs. She met Debbi Weiss at Castlebay Lane School, where the two women served as co-presidents of the PTA, and they have remained dearest friends. The family loved having a neighborhood temple, and it was a natural progression for them to send their boys to religious and Hebrew school where they connected with other young families. Mindy said, "Every Jewish person should be affiliated. For us, it is so important to have the affiliation. TAS feels like home to us."

David added, "We know where we're going, who we will see, with whom we will sit—it's our community. It is hard to fathom not having that comfort in our lives."

Their service to TAS and the community made them a natural choice for Gala honorees, and they are thrilled to be sharing the event with their dear friends and travel partners Scott and Debbie Weiss. Mindy commented, "If Debbie and Scott did not push us, we would have escaped."

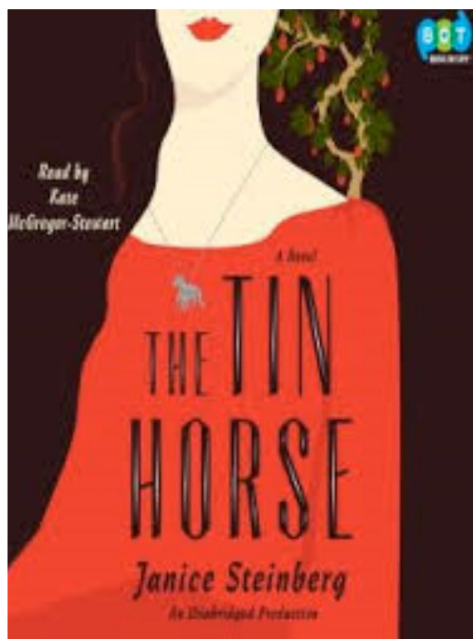
We are so glad Mindy said yes to David all those years ago, and that they said yes again and did not "escape." They honor us by allowing us to honor them at our annual Gala. Mazel tov the entire Osterfeld-Free mishpacha.

*Fran Krimston*

## BOOK GROUP WILL DISCUSS "THE TIN HORSE" ON MARCH 20

The TAS Book Group will discuss Janice Steinberg's highly acclaimed novel, *The Tin Horse*, at our meeting on Thursday, March 20, with Phyllis Bass as the facilitator.

*The Tin Horse* is a multi-generational story about the intense, often frayed bonds between sisters, mothers, and daughters and the profound ways in which we are shaped by those we love. The novel takes us back to Jewish life in Boyle Heights prior to World War II as Elaine Greenstein, an 85-year-old retired lawyer, confronts the mysterious disappearance of her twin sister, Barbara, in 1939, more than 60 years before. The novel rises to a



surprising, well-calibrated climactic end.

Book Group meetings take place in the Library/Chapel. Refreshments are available at 7:00 p.m. and the discussion begins promptly at 7:30 p.m. Even those who haven't read the book are cordially welcome. A \$5 contribution per person is requested.

*Phyllis & Hal Bass*



## SOS AND SOVA & SYNERGY IN MOTION

We may have been small in number, but we sure were mighty in service. On a Sunday morning in October, six TAS SOS volunteers joined several others at SOVA's warehouse in Van Nuys to sort and package food donated for the needy. After a couple of hours there, we had emptied and sorted 6 shipping containers – each filled with about 1,500 pounds of food – for a total of 9,000 pounds! All of the donated food was then distributed between SOVA's three food pantries to feed 12,000 food-insecure neighbors in our community.

The energy and enthusiasm of our volunteers created a synergy with SOVA, whose objective is to alleviate poverty and hunger in our community through food distribution. We extend our “thanks” to the following Temple members for using their strong hands and outstretched arms to serve others in need:

ALYCE CASKEY  
ALLAN EVENAS  
PAME EVENAS

SHANE TURER  
ETHAN TURER  
SHELLIE TURER



*“Hunger is not a problem. It is an obscenity. How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before starting to improve the world.”*  
~ Anne Frank, *Holocaust Victim*

## SPRING IS IN THE AIR

April symbolizes the season of spring. Let's celebrate the cycle of life by giving and sharing our time with the residents of our local Jewish Home (for the Aging).

Join TAS' SOS (Sundays of Service) group next month for a very special program: accompanying the elderly residents to their weekly Sunday afternoon concert. Help escort those in need of our assistance to the concert, keep them company during the hour-long performance, and then return them to their rooms afterward.

The intrinsic reward of giving of your time is immeasurable. Come be a part of the SOS volunteer group in April to enrich the lives of others as we fulfill Tikkun Olam and Repair the World right here in the San Fernando Valley.

- WHO:** All TAS members aged 13 years and above  
**WHAT:** Sunday Concert Companions  
**WHERE:** Jewish Home – Grancell Village Campus  
7150 Tampa Avenue, Reseda  
(x street: Sherman Way)  
[Free street parking on Tampa]  
**WHY:** To help those in need, and because we will all get old someday...  
**WHEN:** Sunday, April 6, 2014  
1:45 pm – 3:45 pm  
**HOW:** Meet directly at the Jewish Home volunteer office at 1:45 pm for an orientation before the concert begins. (Wear closed-toe shoes)  
**RSVP:** Register in advance by March 31st with Shellie Turer at: (818) 993-2255 or by e-mail at: [PetsRPeopleToo@att.net](mailto:PetsRPeopleToo@att.net).

*Happy Spring, everyone!*





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## PASSOVER - SHARE THIS SPRING FESTIVAL WITH SENIORS IN L.A.



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For over 30 years **Jewish Family Service (JFS)** has sponsored community Seders which offer seniors, who are alone and do not have family or friends with whom to celebrate the holiday, a place to gather for a traditional Seder and holiday meal.

This month, we are once again supporting JFS with this most special “Sundays of Service” (SOS) event: its **35th Community Passover Seder**. We will be arranging carpools from TAS to one of the Los Angeles synagogues hosting this wonderful event.

Let’s join together to provide this valuable service to those in our community who would not otherwise have the opportunity to celebrate Passover.

- WHO:** ~250 socially isolated seniors at a Los Angeles location
- WHAT:** JFS Los Angeles’ 35th Community Passover Seder - Join 75 volunteers – of ages 10 years to adult– to assist with: Seating guests, Serving the Seder meal, and Clean up
- WHEN:** Sunday, March 30, 2014  
11:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  
*[Catered kosher lunch included for volunteers!!]*
- WHY:** To share this festive Jewish holiday with others
- WHERE:** Temple Beth Am  
1039 S. La Cienega Blvd., Los Angeles
- RSVP:** Limit of **15 volunteers**; registration **deadline date:** March 14th  
Please call SOS Coordinator Shellie Turer at **(818) 993-2255** Or register by e-mail at: **PetsRPeopleToo@att.net**.

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# SPOTLIGHT ON SISTERHOOD



Happy Purim. We have a lot of fun events coming up including Bingotini, another Mah Jongg tournament, and guest speakers. Sisterhood is made up of the women of the TAS community. We work together to make our Temple welcoming, open, and inclusive. We want to thank our amazing clergy:

Rabbi Lutz, Cantor Roher, and Rabbi Shawna for their tireless work and constant support of Sisterhood. We appreciate all the hard work that Executive Director, Aaron Solomon, and the office staff do as well. Also, a big thank you goes to our TAS President, Gail Karlin, for all her support.

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## MEET ANOTHER MEMBER OF YOUR SISTERHOOD BOARD: INTRODUCING KATHY BARKER

My name is Kathy Barker and I am the Vice President of Religious Observances. Although there are several responsibilities of this position, the most visible and the most rewarding is to make sure there are food and beverages at the Oneg Shabbat.

I'm a relative newcomer to California, to Judaism, to TAS and to Sisterhood. I was born, educated, and spent most of one career in Pittsburgh.

I came to L.A. 15 years ago and I've been a member of Temple Ahavat Shalom and the TAS Sisterhood for almost five years. I have family in Pennsylvania and in California, and I've found community at TAS.

After a long career in IT in the finance industry, I am now working full time running a business and developing software.

I enjoy what I'm doing and I love being a part of this wonderful organization.

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## PROGRAMMING

Please join us Thursday, March 13 at 7 p.m. in the Social Hall as we welcome filmmaker Gabriela Bohm to Temple Ahavat Shalom. Ms. Bohm is an award-winning producer. Born in Argentina, she studied in Israel and at NYU. She produces character-driven films that explore, teach, and challenge Jewish cultural identity. Among her productions are "The Longing: The Forgotten Jews of South America", "Passages", and "Raquel: A Marked Woman."

You can learn more about Ms. Bohm through her website: [www.bohmproductions.com](http://www.bohmproductions.com).



## BÖHM PRODUCTIONS

Ms. Bohm will be screening her films at the Skirball later in the month.

A short business meeting will start at 7 p.m. then followed by our presentation. The event is free for members and \$5 for non-members. You are welcome to join Sisterhood at the meeting.

*Mel Birken and Arlene Stone*  
*Programming Co-Vice Presidents*

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## WAYS AND MEANS BINGOTINI

Bingo players, it's not too late to sign up for Bingotini, but spaces are going fast! So don't delay, sign up today! We will also have smoothies for those who prefer your Bingo unadulterated. First, put Saturday, March 29 at 7:30 p.m. on your calendar and then send a check for \$30 payable to TAS Sisterhood to: Sue Cohen, 22349 James Alan Circle, Chatsworth 91311. If you wait, it's going to cost you \$36, so act now. If you have any questions please contact Carol Bizar-Morton at (818) 894- 6113 or [carolthebizar@yahoo.com](mailto:carolthebizar@yahoo.com).

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## MAH JONGG NEWS

Thank you to all Temple members who purchased Mah Jongg cards and also got their friends and family to purchase from our Sisterhood. We sold 150 more cards this year than last year, which will bring in an extra \$300-plus to help us support Temple programs. If you did not get your card order in, or you want to get in on the fun, we have purchased an extra 10 large and 10 small cards. When the cards arrive in a few months, please check with Anita Hoch at [anitapearl47@gmail.com](mailto:anitapearl47@gmail.com) or in the Judaica Shop. Thank you once again for participating. Have fun with the new cards.

On Sunday, March 30, we will be holding our semi-annual Mah Jongg tournament. This is a major fundraiser for our Sisterhood so that we can provide funds where needed to our Temple and community. If you are a Mah Jongg player, please sign up to play. If you want to help us at this event, email me and let me know. If you have card tables that you are willing to bring and pick up, also let me know. We are also looking for nice donated items for a "chance to win" drawing.

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Our Judaica Shop will be open, and we will be selling lots of Mah Jongg items. Feel free to stop and shop. Please help to make this a successful and fun day for all.

*Phyllis Bigelson*  
*Mah Jongg Chair,*  
[Phyllis@bigelsoncpa.com](mailto:Phyllis@bigelsoncpa.com)



### WEDNESDAY NIGHT MAH JONGG

Don't miss out on our monthly Mah jongg games. We play on the fourth Wednesday of every month at 6:15 p.m. at the Temple. We always have a teacher there to give lessons, but you can't learn if you don't show up! Every level of play is accommodated. Don't miss out. There is a \$5 donation to play. Contact Anita Hoch for more information at [anitapearl47@gmail.com](mailto:anitapearl47@gmail.com).



### EDUCATION

Did you have a child who attended a Jewish camp, or went on a trip to Israel this past year? Did you know that every year, our Sisterhood and Men of TAS give camperships to help support these activities? All you have to do is download the application off the TAS website and follow the directions. Your child will need to do some volunteer hours prior to the due date, so download the application now so you will be

able to plan accordingly. Giving your child the experience of Jewish camp is one of the best ways to ensure that they continue to live a Jewish life into adulthood, and we are here to support the efforts. If you have any question contact Jennifer Kosoy, VP of Education at [jmkosoy@gmail.com](mailto:jmkosoy@gmail.com), or call (818) 427-2720.

### ONEG SPONSORSHIP

Is there an event, a person or a memory you would like to honor in a special way?

Are you celebrating a birthday or an anniversary? Have you experienced a career change, a graduation or a new home? Are there people in your life you want to pay special tribute to, or would you like to honor the memory of loved ones?

If you want to celebrate, to honor or to remember, please consider marking the occasion by sponsoring an Oneg Shabbat. We would like to share the time with you, hear the story behind the sponsorship and help you make the occasion a bit more special. In addition, your sponsorship will go a long way to support the work of the Sisterhood for our Temple, our youth and the Jewish community.

If you have questions or are interested in sponsoring an Oneg, please contact the Temple Office at: (818) 360-2258.

Women of Reform Judaism Pacific District Information  
WRJ Pacific District Southern California Area Day will be Sunday, July 13. This is an educational and fun day to meet and share with Sisterhood members from all over Southern California. We will provide more information in the next couple months.

Please save the date for the WRJ Pacific District Convention, Oct. 23-26. Come meet women from all over our district for a weekend of excitement, learning, sharing and music with our special guest, Julie Silver. Make sure to put these dates on your calendar so you won't miss out.

*Phyllis Bigelson*  
*WRJ Pacific District 1st Vice President*

### COUPONS FOR MILITARY FAMILIES

TAS Sisterhood is pleased to announce that this month we were able to send two boxes of coupons to overseas bases. The coupons went to the Air Force/Marine Unit and to the Navy stationed in Japan. The families appreciate the coupons, as prices are very high overseas.

Thank you for cutting and sorting your coupons. They

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should be sorted into envelopes and labeled "FOOD" and "NOT FOOD." This makes it more convenient for the recipients to find what is needed.



The boxes sent are the very largest Flat Rate. These go to an APO, so we pay domestic postage. The boxes are stuffed as full as possible, and several pounds of coupons reach those who need them.

While they do accept expired coupons, all coupons must be cut. Sheets of uncut coupons cannot be sent out and will be recycled. Volunteers who can cut coupons are welcome. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer to cut coupons, please call Mel Birken at (818) 366-2397.

### SAVE THE DATE:

**Thursday, March 13** - Filmmaker Gabriela Bohm

**Saturday, March 29** - Bingotini

**Sunday, March 30** - Mah Jongg Tournament

*Erika Barnathan and Sue Sculler*

*Temple Ahavat Shalom Sisterhood Co-Presidents*



## MEN OF TAS NEWS

We are proud to announce that Scott Yollis and Steven Zonis have been selected as our Men of the Year for 2014. They contribute mightily to our success, both in any project that involves food, and through their passion to make MoTAS the strong auxiliary that we are. They have both been featured speakers at our breakfast meetings, sharing with us their individual expertise in their professional fields. Steven and Scott are truly leaders by example, whose dedication to service and relationship-building are role models for the entire community.

At our February meeting, Mike Rayfield spoke about recent developments in the Los Angeles County Jail system, including some of the consequences of the early-release program. Mike led a lively discussion, drawing on his 23-year career as a probation officer.

### EVENTS COMING UP:

March 9th is our annual Yom HaShoah candle packing party. These candles are distributed without charge to all TAS member families, as our dedication to the idea that by remembering those sad times, we will not forget them and do whatever we can to prevent these tragedies from ever happening again. We will meet in Activity Center 3/4, at 8:45. Please stop by to help out.

March 30th is our annual Men's Only Seder, as we explore issues unique to men in a joyous, though solemn, way. The

Seder is open to all men, sons, fathers, brothers and friends. Please look out for mailings with additional information, or contact Mike Thornhill at mthornhill4@hotmail.com.

April 6th, at our monthly breakfast meeting, Ellen Lowe will discuss how Jews have used art to express their Judaism throughout history. Her topics will be chosen from elements of religious (sacred) and secular art, as well as architecture. Ellen led a very instructive adult education class on this material a few years ago, and is extremely knowledgeable and enthusiastic about the role art plays in Jewish life and how art enriches our religious experience.

On May 4th, Rick Mervis will talk about the history of the San Fernando Valley, all in only 45 minutes. It will be very exciting!



**Steve Zonis and Scott Yollis**

## TAS SOS JOINS "FORCES" WITH THE FEDERATION

[As reported by the **Neuriel Shore**, Community and Government Affairs Manager for The Jewish Federation of Greater Los Angeles]



On Sunday, December 15th, "Federation volunteers participated in the sixth and final Community Service Day of 2013! Over 140 of us participated in service programs across the city that focused on helping those experiencing food insecurity and homelessness, supporting Jewish soldiers in our military, and bringing joy to senior citizens in our community.

In the Federation building...parents and their children participated in Passover-themed arts and crafts to include in care packages for Jewish servicewomen and servicemen in the U.S. Armed Forces. The care packages will help these brave women and men to celebrate Passover, a holiday of freedom, as they risk their lives to protect our freedoms here at home. This program was made possible through a partnership with Project M.O.T."



## MEN OF TAS AND SPORTS

The Super Bowl was an exciting football game, and the MoTAS "Football Squares" program gave some of us increased incentive to follow it. We are pleased to report that the four winners were Scott Pullman, Bob Ingram, Barry Krowne, and Howard Miller. Congratulations! Over \$800 was raised to support special TAS needs over the next few months. MoTAS thanks all who participated.



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# Men of Temple Ahavat Shalom

## 2014 NCAA MARCH MADNESS BASKETBALL SQUARES

We are proud to announce our new 2014 March Madness basketball game. Similar to our popular football games, we are supporting special Temple programs and needs. All of our “earnings” goes to assist these activities, which is above and beyond money available from normal TAS budget allowances.

The program is based on the **three** games which constitute the “Final Four,” the two semifinal games and then the championship game, played on April 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>. Games are won for **both the halftime and final scores of each game**, making **six** winners in all. As before, the winners are determined by the last digit of a team’s score (so 67 is a 7). Many basketball pools use a “bracketology” method, in which players predict actual winners of the tournament games. Unfortunately, this is impractical for us.

The buy-in is ridiculously inexpensive -- \$18 per square, and you can reserve up to 3 of them, and up to 3 more for your spouse. Adults only please, no squares for children under 18.

Here’s how the game works --- there is a chart set up, numbers 0-9 across the top for the ‘home team,’ and 0-9 down the side, for the ‘visiting team.’ Unless otherwise designated by the NCAA, the home team for any game will be the school located closer to TAS.

1. Your \$18 contribution gives you one square in the grid. There are 100 total squares. Since the numbers are randomly selected, it makes no difference where your own square is. As such, your grid space will be chosen at random also. Unlike football, where some numbers have an advantage over others, in basketball, any number is equally likely. So, if the halftime score is Home 39-Visitor 33, the winner is square holder 9 top-3 side.
2. **With a full grid, the total payout is \$900 (\$150 for each period).** The grid is worth \$1800, leaving \$900 to give back to the temple. Payouts will be prorated if there are empty squares. If we are oversubscribed, you might be limited to 2 squares each, the difference refunded.
3. \*\*\*There is a possibility that all 100 squares might *not* be subscribed. Since our intention is to have six winners, for empty squares that “win,” the winners will be determined as follows: please make your guess as to what the total number of points both teams will score (so if you think the final score will be 79-68, you would choose “147”). This number will be used to settle all instances, for all three games. If you purchase more than one square your “number” will apply for all your squares. Closest to actual score wins (payouts divided with ties). If there is no halftime winner, the final score prediction will still be used. **If you do not make a guess, you will not be eligible to participate if an empty square wins!**

**Your check must be received in the temple office no later than March 28, 2014; reservations made by email (to [tasbolevine@gmail.com](mailto:tasbolevine@gmail.com)) but not paid by March 28<sup>th</sup> will be canceled and made available to other participants.**

\*\*\*\*\*Sign up form:\*\*\*\*\*

**Make checks payable to “TAS Men’s Club.” Please write “March Madness” in the memo.**

**Please fill in all requested information, and either drop off with your check at the Temple office, or mail to: Men of Temple Ahavat Shalom – March Madness  
18200 Rinaldi Place, Northridge, CA 91326**

**Player(s) name(s) – please print clearly (incomplete information may cause delays):**

**Total # of points** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing address (include city and zip):**

**# of squares** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Check amount \$** \_\_\_\_\_



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**Date: March 3, 2014**

**Time: 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm**

**Where: 8876 Corbin Ave Northridge CA 91326**

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## GENEROUS GIFTS

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David and Mindy Free in honor of Alex and Anya's engagement

### BEAUTIFICATION FUND

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### CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Howard Schnee and Family in memory of Shirley Schnee from Sue Miller and Daryn Pakcyk

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### CULTURAL PROGRAMS FUND

Andy and Barry Mann in memory of Shirley Schnee, the mother of Howard Schnee

### GENERAL FUND

Rhonda Mayer in memory of Shirley R. Schnee, mother of Howard Schnee

Gordon and Bice Recht in memory of Lou Katz, the father of Lisa Kantor

Gordon and Bice Recht in memory of Nancy Sortor, the aunt of Rabbi Barry Lutz

Andy and Barry Mann in memory of Claudia Grossman, the mother of Danny Ross

David and Mindy Free in honor of Charley Free's Naming

Judy Stehr in memory of Ida Young

Colleen and Danny Ross and Family in memory of Colleen's father, James Brim, from Andy and Barry Mann

### MARISA INGRUM FUND-RESILIENCE OF THE SOUL

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Brian and Cheryl Hatkoff in memory of Lisa Kantor's father, Lou Katz

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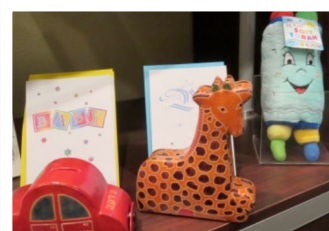
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Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

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Thursday

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Saturday

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9:00am - Adult Ed: Bimah Basics  
9:00am - Adult Ed: Engaging Israel Seminar  
9:00am - Adult Ed: Adult Hebrew  
9:30am - ECEC Parent and Me  
11:00am - Facts of Life: Parents and Boys  
11:00am - Past Presidents Meeting

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9:30am - Torah Study

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10:00am - Melton Class  
6:30pm - Sisterhood Board Meeting - Away  
7:30pm - Purim Carnival Committee Meeting

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7:30pm - Erev Shabbat Service

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9:15am - Tot Shabbat  
10:15am - Bat Mitzvah of Sarah Hansen  
4:45pm - Bat Mitzvah of Rebecca Sculler

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8:00am - ECEC Bake Sale  
8:45am - Men of TAS Meeting  
9:00am - Adult Ed: Bimah Basics  
9:00am - Adult Ed: Engaging Israel Seminar  
9:00am - Adult Ed: Adult Hebrew  
9:30am - ECEC Parent and Me Class  
10:00am - Adult Ed: Making Prayer Real

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ECEC Closed - Spring Institute

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9:30am - Torah Study  
6:00pm - TAS Tuesdays Adult Learning

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6:30pm - JNET Meeting

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10:00am - Melton Class  
7:00pm - Sisterhood Event with Speaker  
7:30pm - Purim Carnival Committee Meeting

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7:30pm - Erev Shabbat Service

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10:30am - Chapel Minyan  
6:30pm - Havdallah and Purim Spiel

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Purim  
8:00am - Blood Drive  
8:30am - Religious School Bake Sale  
9:00am - Adult Ed: Bimah Basics  
9:00am - Adult Ed: Adult Hebrew  
9:30am - ECEC Parent and Me Class  
11:00am - Purim Carnival

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9:30am - Torah Study

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7:30pm - TAS Board Meeting

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10:00am - Melton Class  
7:00pm - Book Group Meeting

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7:00pm - Erev Shabbat Service

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9:00am - Adult Ed: Adult Hebrew  
9:30am - ECEC Parent and Me Class  
10:00am - Adult Ed: Making Prayer Real

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9:30am - Torah Study

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6:00pm - Sisterhood Mah Jongg

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10:00am - Melton Class  
7:00pm - Budget and Finance Committee Meeting  
7:00pm - Social Action Meeting - Away

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6:30pm - Gimmel Class  
Shabbat/Sleepover  
7:30pm - Erev Shabbat Service

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7:30pm - Sisterhood Bingotini

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8:00am - Mah Jongg Tournament  
9:00am - Adult Ed: Engaging Israel Seminar  
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