

## SONIA'S JOURNEY

### A NOTE FROM RABBI LUTZ

*At the end of the last day of school on May 18th, a teary eyed Mrs. Liberman, approached me to announce that she would not be returning to Ahavat Shalom in the fall. Later this summer, Sonia will be moving to Portland where her son Gershon and his family reside. For 48 years Mrs. Liberman has served this community with incredible passion, devotion and love for every single student and family that crossed the threshold of her classroom.*

*On Friday evening, June 20, at 6:15p.m. as part of our Shabbabague, we will honor Sonia for sacred service to our community. I hope you will be able to join us. We are also collecting words of blessing, reflections and stories to be placed in a special memory book for Mrs. Liberman. You can submit to the Temple either through this link: [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1CIxhKYNApZm8SxNE-mOrRS3NRRdyN7\\_zw4BSgcGli8c/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1CIxhKYNApZm8SxNE-mOrRS3NRRdyN7_zw4BSgcGli8c/viewform) or by submitting your words to the Temple office.*

Below is an article written by Fran Krimston on the occasion of Mrs. Liberman's 40th year at Temple Ahavat Shalom.

Can you remember when you were 7 years old? Your life was probably filled with play, a comfortable home, loving parents who cared for you, fed you, saw to your education and healthcare. You felt loved, comforted and secure.

As a 7 year old growing up in Kleztk, Poland, Sonia Berkowitz had a far different experience. She was raised in a modern, yet traditional home where Judaism and Hebrew were very important. After the Nazis ghettoized the 3,500 Jews of her hometown in 1940, her parents sent her and her siblings—a sister, 17, and a brother, 12, to stay on a farm with a non-Jewish friend who had been a teacher at their school. Her father said the fresh air and better food would



be good for the children. As the High Holy Days approached, the older children decided to return home to be with their parents. They told Sonia because she was so young that it was too dangerous for her to go with them as they needed to travel at night.

After Rosh Hashanah, someone came to the farm to tell Sonia that the entire Jewish population had been rounded up and shot by the Nazis. Her family had been murdered. She was an orphan. One can only imagine what went through this terrified child's head. Her life, as she knew it, had been shattered.

Her protector, the teacher turned farmer, owed her father a debt of gratitude. A good man, he promised Sonia he would keep her safe for as long as he could. He told her she had a rich heritage, but she would have to pretend to be Christian and they would change her name. Some months passed, and a neighbor told the farmer that people knew he was harboring a Jewish child. Because he and his family were in grave danger, he took Sonia to a convent, where the nuns once again changed her name, baptized her and placed a chain with a cross around her neck. He also told her to remember that she had an uncle in America, two aunts in Mexico and an aunt in Palestine.

During the next years she was shuttled between the farm, the Black Forest where she lived with partisans and the convent, always one step ahead of the Gestapo. Somehow, this plucky little girl survived more horror than anyone can imagine.

After the war, the teacher found her and brought her back to his farm until the Jewish agencies gathered up the orphans in an attempt to return some normalcy and Jewishness to

# TAS SALUTES THE 2014 CONFIRMATION CLASS

*“It is a Tree of  
Life to those who  
hold fast to it. Its  
ways are ways of  
pleasantness and  
all its paths are  
peace.”*

(Proverbs 3:17-18)

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**Join us for Confirmation Services**

*Saturday, June 7*

at 4:45pm

*Sunday, June 8*

at 4:45pm

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their lives. This, however, was not an easy task. Sixty-eight children were moved to Chechen, then to Lodz to a Jewish orphanage. They had to flee Lodz in the middle of the night because they were warned that anti-Semites were coming to burn down their dormitory. They ran to a train station and were told a train would be coming, but it could not stop. They were instructed to jump on the train as it slowed down. By some stroke of luck, the terrified youngsters all made it onto the train.

They were given new identities and taken to the Czech border, where the Jewish agency bribed the guards with cigarettes, and the guards pretended to try to stop them by shooting in the air as they ran through the border. Their next stop was Prague, then they traveled by train to Hamburg, and once again Sonia received a new name. The entire group was then sent to Paris and on to Lyon where Sonia stayed in a school until the spring of 1948.

In May, the children were sent to Marseilles where they boarded the “Exodus” for Palestine. After many hours they were taken off the ship and days passed until they finally boarded another ship for the Promised Land. After years of being displaced in foreign countries and learning new languages and customs, Sonia had a future.

They arrived in Haifa at night and were met by a band playing “Hatikvah.” After climbing down the precarious rope ladder of the ship, they were presented with oranges, something they had never seen or tasted. Many new challenges awaited these war-torn orphans who had been tossed from border to border, alone and homeless.

Sonia ended up living in a tent in Kibbutz Merchavia. Life was not easy. There was a language barrier, and the conditions were harsh, but she was able to go back to school and studied practical nursing. There were bombings by the Arabs and the Brits, and she and the other kibbutzniks were told to run to the bomb shelter. She often balked at doing this. One of the soldiers always checked to make sure she went to the shelter was very annoying, but eventually that annoyance turned to love. The soldier was Shalom (Sam) Liberman z'l, who Sonia married in 1953.

Miraculously, her far-flung aunts and uncle found her and came to visit her. Besides enjoying having a family again, Sonia was thrilled when each of the relatives brought photos and letters that her parents had written to them. At last she had regained a connection to her history and could hold mementos of her dear parents and siblings.

Sam and Sonia moved into a new home in Petak Tikvah under a program created by Golda Meier. She promised

young couples that if they had a baby, they would get a brand new house. Gershon was their first born. Adi arrived next. The Libermans came to Los Angeles in 1960, where daughter Ruthie was born in 1963.

The words her father said to her as a young child have motivated her—“Your knowledge will always be with you.” Sonia received her license as a Vocational Nurse in Israel in 1951. In 1975 she earned an A.A. in Liberal Arts at LA City College, and in 1977 she was awarded a B.A. in Jewish Studies from the University of Judaism. She went on to complete her Master's Degree. Sonia has been awarded the Distinguished Educator Award by the Bureau of Jewish Education.

I asked Sonia how she was able to create the rich life she has led following her shattered childhood. She replied, “I decided nothing would stop me. Whatever was, was. I will create my own family.”

Her distinguished career as a Jewish Educator includes teaching Hebrew and Jewish studies at Stephen S. Wise Temple Day School, North Hollywood High School, Temple Emanuel Community Day School, Valley Beth Shalom Day School and Nursery School, Temple Beth Shalom, Whittier and Temple Beth Ami, Reseda. She has made a lasting imprint on the lives of generations of our own children here at TAS.

Rabbi Barry Lutz says, “Sonia's commitment to the Jewish community, and especially to our children is unparalleled. She teaches with energy and enthusiasm that is limitless. When I want a new teacher to understand what teaching in a religious school is all about, it is to Sonia's class that I send them. There they come to understand what love of Judaism and dedication to our future is all about.”

Perhaps the words one of her former students wrote to Sonia 15 years ago best sum up our feelings for Sonia Liberman. In 1996 Joan Krimston wrote:

*“Dear Sonia: You have touched so many lives here at TAS. Through your wisdom, you convey the necessary pieces of language, history and tradition to empower us to be Jewishly-knowledgable. Through your passion, you create an experience for your students which helps nourish our Jewish spirits. Through your love and respect for each individual who you encounter, you teach us how to be compassionate human beings. Your ways are ways of pleasantness. You are a tree of life to us. With great love and affection, we celebrate you in your 25th year at TAS, and we thank you for enabling us to feel comfortable in our Jewish selves.”*

**Fran Kimston**

# MAZEL TOV TO OUR JUNE B'NAI MITZVAH FAMILIES

## *June 14, 2014*

Dan and Arcy Gesshel and Family on the Bar Mitzvah of Rylan Gesshel

## *June 28, 2014*

Bobby and Melody Tabesh and Family on the Bat Mitzvah of Arielle Tabesh

## *June 21, 2014*

Scott and Teri Yollis and Family on the Bat Mitzvah of Tali Yollis

Daniel and Joey Evans and Family on the Bat Mitzvah of Cassidy Evans



## SPOTLIGHT ON THE MEN OF TAS

Elections, elections: The following men were elected to serve one-year terms (July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015) on the MoTAS Executive Board:

**PRESIDENT: DANIEL FAIGIN**

**VICE-PRESIDENTS: BARRY MANN AND DAVE FRIEDMAN**

**SECRETARY: RICK MERVIS**

**TREASURER: ROGER LOWE**

When you see them around the Temple, say hi and offer them your best wishes.

We give special thanks to Steve Zidell for his outstanding service as Secretary this year.

Our next meeting is Sunday, June 8th. It is sure to be an exciting and fun one, which we are calling, "Open Mic Comedy Morning." Bring your favorite Jewish-themed jokes. Experience doesn't matter. Who cares if your timing is not, well, "professional." There may even be a prize for best (or worst) joke. So, if you haven't been with us for a Sunday breakfast in awhile, now's a great opportunity to drop by and have a laugh with the guys.

Breakfast at 8:45 a.m., Activity Centers 3/4.

Our next installment of the periodic, "Men's Hang-Out Nights," is Sunday, June 22nd. This event is for men only and gives us an opportunity to discuss men's issues and concerns in an intimate, informal and confidential setting. Dinner at 6ish, discussion at 7ish. Cost is \$12. Limited to 12 only. To learn the location, send your RSVP to Dave Friedman, [dave@818myhouse.com](mailto:dave@818myhouse.com), no later than June 15th.

Men of TAS have a new Facebook page: Why not join the group, and learn much more about us. It's a developing page, and your input makes it even better as a source of news, information, and insight.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/tas.motas/>



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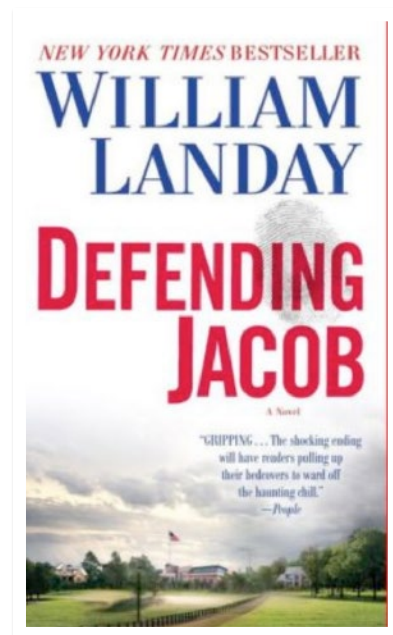


## BOOK GROUP WILL DISCUSS DEFENDING JACOB ON JUNE 12

The Book Group will wrap up another successful year on Thursday, June 12, when Sherry Lucks will be the facilitator for the discussion of *Defending Jacob*, by William Landay. In this novel, Assistant District Attorney Andy Barber is shocked by the murder of a 14-year-old boy. But when his own son, Jacob, the victim's classmate, is accused of that murder, Andy's world is turned upside down. Riveting courtroom drama alternates with revealing portraits of family and community life in a suburban Massachusetts town. Goodreads calls *Defending Jacob* a suspenseful, character-driven mystery that is also a spellbinding tale of guilt, betrayal, and the terrifying speed at which our lives as parents and children can spin out of control.

Meetings are held in the Library/Chapel. Refreshments will be available at 7:00 p.m. and the discussion will begin promptly at 7:30 p.m. A \$5 contribution per person is requested.

*Phyllis & Hal Bass*



## ADULT HEBREW CLASSES

### HEBREW SUMMER CRASH COURSE

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Would you like to improve your Hebrew reading? Would you like to rely less on transliteration and more on letter recognition? This class is designed for students with some background in Hebrew letter recognition who would like to improve their reading skills. We will meet once a week, day and time to be determined. Please email Efrat Yakobi Gafni at [efratyg@yahoo.com](mailto:efratyg@yahoo.com).

### HEBREW READING FROM SCRATCH

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Perhaps you have promised yourself that one day you will learn how to read in Hebrew. Then join this beginner class where you will learn how to read Hebrew. We will meet once a week, day and time to be determined. Please email Efrat Yakobi Gafni at [efratyg@yahoo.com](mailto:efratyg@yahoo.com).

### CONVERSATIONAL HEBREW FOR SUMMER MONTHS

שלום, שמעת את החדשות מישראל?  
לא, ספר לי מה קרה.

This class is for students who have a basic knowledge of Hebrew vocabulary and who would like to enhance their Hebrew communication skills. We will meet once a week, day and time to be determined. Please email Efrat Yakobi Gafni at [efratyg@yahoo.com](mailto:efratyg@yahoo.com).

**These classes are free for members of TAS,  
\$36 for non-members.**



## KNIT ONE, PURL THREE....WHEE!

### KNITTING LESSONS

You've wanted to learn how to knit, but didn't know how to get started or thought it was too difficult or you're left-handed, or maybe it's a combination of all three. Well, guess what? You're in luck.

Knitting is composed of two stitches, yes just two. We shall go step by step to learn how to cast on, knit, purl, bind off, how to use these stitches in a pattern and how to read a pattern. We're planning to continue the class for those who want to learn more advanced patterns such as Aran Isle, lace, or Scandinavian.



Interested? If you are a newbie – great, if you need a refresher class – great, if you're left handed – great! Our aim is to accommodate *all* of your needs.



We'd love to have you join us at my house on Thursday evenings, (minus Sisterhood nights), at 7:00 pm. Bring knitting needles, any size between 7 and 11, and thicker yarn, 4 ply or rug yarn.

**Ellen Lowe**

[e\\_g\\_lowe@sbcglobal.net](mailto:e_g_lowe@sbcglobal.net)

818-576-8980

## FOOTBALL SEASON RETURNS TO TAS!



Always in the vanguard of sports activity, the Men of TAS announce the beginning of Football Squares III. This is the third season of the popular program that gives added excitement to the Monday night games during the Fall.

Proceeds benefit special projects that TAS can't fit into the budget. In 2013, over \$3,000 was used to add extra summer camperships, supplement the Avodah fund to support service projects for our youth, provide extra religious school activities and purchase much-needed equipment around the temple. Your support made that happen, and 50 people were winners throughout the 16 game season.

Look for the sign-up grid at the Shabbabaque on June 20th. Early-bird discount will apply for those who join the game and pay at the event (before Shabbat starts).



# SPOTLIGHT ON SISTERHOOD



I can't believe that this is my last Menorah article as your Sisterhood co-president. I feel honored to have been blessed with the chance to work with some amazing women within Sisterhood, and also, for the opportunity to work with leaders and members in other areas of our community. I want to thank the

Men of TAS, Social Action, The Book Club, The Caring Committee, The Religious School staff, The ECEC staff, the TAS staff and clergy for all you have done to support me and Sisterhood these last few years. I know that you will be there for our incoming president, Sue Sculler. I am looking forward to my new role as Immediate Past President.

***Stronger Together, Erika Barnathan***

## WAYS AND MEANS

We encourage everyone to participate in our Fantasy cruise. Join the fun, choose some bunkmates, send in your check and get the pleasure of knowing you have made a difference in Sisterhood's many projects. Sisterhood specializes in developing the Jewish leaders of tomorrow through our support of the ECEC program, the Religious School, the camperships that are so successful in developing Jewish identity in kids, the YES fund support of rabbinic students and leadership training for Sisterhood members. The more people who "cruise" with us the more we can make a difference in our community.



Thank you for joining us and being part of the team.

***Jackie Zev***  
***VP Ways and Means***

## SISTERHOOD TRIBUTE NEWS



Thank you to the women who have been supporters of our Sisterhood Tribute program. With your support, TAS Sisterhood has been able to contribute significantly to the WRJ YES fund. Through this fund, we have supported youth, education, and service programs. I will happily

continue this program next year, helping you send greetings, condolences, and Mazel Tov cards.

We will only have one small change. Due to the rising cost of postage, and to cover costs, the cost of a Sisterhood tribute card will now be four dollars. I look forward to working with you next year,

***Mel Birken***  
***Tribute Chair***

## THE 2014-2015 SISTERHOOD BOARD

**It is our pleasure to present to you the 2014-2015 Sisterhood Board as voted in on May 15th.**

Sue Sculler-President

Jackie Zev and Pam Eisenberg, Co-Vice Presidents, Ways and Means

Cheryl Frumes and Margaret Chroman, Co-Vice Presidents, Membership

Kathy Barker and Judy Stehr, Co-Vice Presidents, Religious Observances

Roseanna Sculler and Eileen Roseman, Co-Vice Presidents, Education

Marian Rosen, Treasurer

Financial Secretary, Lauren Rosenberg

Immediate Past President, Erika Barnathan

***Robyn Blachman***  
***Nominating Committee Chair***

## 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).



## 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?

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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



Please mark your calendar for our upcoming district convention. Registration information will be out shortly. Meet with Sisterhoods from all over our district. Share ideas, learn, sing and make new friends. It is an event you do not want to miss.

Southern California Area Day will be held at Temple Judea on July 13th. Join our Sisterhood as we attend a complete day of learning and spirituality. There will be singing, laughing, candle making and much more. We will be emailing you the information later this month.

**Phyllis Bigelson**  
*WRJ PD 1st Vice President and proud member of TAS Sisterhood*

## 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 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:

Sunday, June 8 - Sisterhood Donor Luncheon  
Sunday, July 13 - Southern California Area Day

**Erika Barnathan and Sue Sculler**  
*Temple Ahavat Shalom Sisterhood Co-Presidents*







# Embrace the Possibilities

The membership committee is excited to announce we are bringing back the successful Gift Membership Program. This is a special program that is available to TAS members for 2014-2015.

As a valued member of TAS, you already know that it is a wonderful place where people can come together for Jewish worship, learning, and community. There are many Jews in our area who do not belong to a temple and could benefit from what TAS has to offer.

The Gift Membership program allows you, as a member, to give a one-year complimentary membership to unaffiliated family members or friends. There is no charge to you and no limit to the number of gift memberships that you may sponsor. After a Gift Member joins, all we ask is that you as the sponsor and the Gift Member recipient family attend at least three TAS events throughout the year. The conditions and details of the program are explained in the Q & A.

Few gift-giving opportunities in life hold such high potential. Membership in our vibrant congregation opens doors to unique Jewish experiences that can have an impact for a lifetime and perhaps for future generations.

Consider presenting a Gift Membership to:

- an adult needing a little encouragement to reconnect with his/her Jewish roots;
- a couple looking for opportunities to socialize with other like-minded folks;
- a senior who would enjoy our variety of events and programs;
- families wanting to foster their children's Jewish education and identity; or
- anyone searching for spiritual connection and meaningful worship experiences.

You know that TAS is a dynamic community that has much to offer. We hope you will participate in this mitzvah and help us open our doors to your friends and relatives. If you have any questions about the program, please contact Aaron Solomon in the Temple office or at [membership@TASnorthridge.org](mailto:membership@TASnorthridge.org)

B'Shalom,

Pam Kramer and Angela Hyam  
Co-Chairs, TAS Membership

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# TAS GIFT MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM - 2014-2014 - Q & A

## WHAT IS THE GIFT MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM?

The program is aimed at bringing in new members and strengthening current members' ties to TAS. A key element in this program is the Sponsor-Recipient relationship.

## HOW THE PROGRAM IS DESIGNED TO WORK:

This is a program designed to give our TAS Members in good standing ("good standing" is defined as member dues which are paid current, prior to, and including the month of High Holy days) an opportunity to gift a free, one-year membership to their unaffiliated friends and family. Our 2013-2014 TAS Gift Member Program has proven that recipients of these gift memberships have a high likelihood of future affiliation because they already have a connection to TAS.

Gift Members receive the same benefits of membership as any other members. As with any membership, Shabbat Services, adult education, High Holy Day tickets, and all other services a paying member receives are available.

## DO THE SPONSORS HAVE TO PAY ANYTHING?

No, they just have to maintain their member-in-good-standing status. There is no cost to the Sponsor.

## DO THE SPONSORS RECEIVE ANY FINANCIAL COMPENSATION OR DUES REDUCTION?

There is no financial compensation or dues reduction.

## WHEN DOES THE GIFT MEMBERSHIP TAKE EFFECT? HOW LONG DOES IT LAST?

The gift membership is valid during the July 1, 2014-June 30, 2015 fiscal year. Regardless of which month the gift membership begins, it will expire on June 30, 2015.

## WILL ALL NEW MEMBERS WHO JOIN DURING THAT TIME JOIN FOR FREE?

Only those Recipient members that are introduced and have a current in-good-standing member sponsor can participate in the Gift Membership Program.

## WHAT ABOUT ECEC, RELIGIOUS SCHOOL & HEBREW SCHOOL TUITIONS?

### IS EVERYTHING INCLUDED?

The Gift Membership covers dues only. It does not cover the ECEC, Religious School, Bar/Bat Mitzvah, and/or Confirmation fees.

## CAN A GIFT MEMBERSHIP RECIPIENT SPONSOR OTHERS?

Recipients cannot be sponsors.

## CAN PREVIOUS MEMBERS RECEIVE A GIFT MEMBERSHIP?

Yes. Any person who was a member in good standing prior to July 1, 2012, may receive a Gift Membership.

## HOW MANY GIFT MEMBERSHIPS CAN A MEMBER SPONSOR?

There is no limit to the number of gift memberships a member may sponsor.

## DO THE GIFT MEMBERSHIP RECIPIENTS HAVE ANY OBLIGATIONS?

Yes, Gift Member recipients must attend a minimum of 3 Temple events throughout their Gift Membership; including, but not limited to, Friday night services and Temple events (such as Purim Carnival, Cantor's Concert, Synaplex, etc.). We have found that our members who attend our worship services, programs and activities regularly are able to connect and integrate into the TAS community.

## HOW TO SIGN UP A GIFT MEMBER?

A Sponsor family simply needs to contact Aaron Solomon at (818) 360-2258 x202 or [membership@TASnorthridge.org](mailto:membership@TASnorthridge.org) to initiate a Gift Member application.



Unwrapping July 1st



# Shabbabaque



**Friday, June 20th**

**6:15pm** Outdoor Service  
with the TAS House Band

**7:15pm** BBQ Dinner



Start your summer off  
right with worship,



great food and incredible music at the  
first 2014 Shabbabaque. Shabbabaque is  
sponsored and cooked by the Men of  
TAS. The outdoor service begins at  
6:15pm, followed by a  
delicious barbeque of chicken,  
burgers and hot dogs (veggie burgers  
also being made) along with Caesar  
salad (no chicken in the salad), plus all  
the sides!

**Adults**     **\$10.00** cash/chk  
                 **\$10.50** online

**Children**   **\$6.00** cash/chk  
(11 and under) **\$6.25** online

Limited number of tickets available  
at the door.

**RSVP by Wed, June 18th**

**Call the Temple office at  
(818) 360-2258 with any  
questions.**



**Temple Ahavat Shalom**

Cordially invites y'all to a FUNdraiser event at

**Rosie's BBQ & Grillery Northridge**



**Tuesday, June 10, 2014**

Rosie's BBQ will proudly donate 15%\* of your food and drink purchases from the dine in and take out menus from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM back to

**Temple Ahavat Shalom**

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# CONGREGATIONAL MEETING MAY 18, 2014





# GENEROUS GIFTS

## ANNUAL GIVING/ GENERAL FUND

Randy and Laury Wasoff in honor of Harold Hatkoff  
Mindy and David Free in honor of the wonderful people working on the Gala Committee  
Mindy and David Free in honor of the birth of Susie Levine's granddaughter Skylar, Harriet Long's granddaughter Sofia and Lori Karp's granddaughter Madison  
Mindy and David Free in memory of Barry and Cathy Pearlman's mothers  
Esther and Bob Baum in memory of Diana B. Baum, our cousin, who passed away recently

## CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

To Ellen Pollack, "Thank you for a wonderful Cantor's Concert!" from Cathy and Barry Pearlman

## CARING COMMUNITY FUND

To the Pearlman Family on the loss of your dear mothers and grandmothers from Abbey Klein  
To Steve and Angela Hyam in honor of Spencer's Bar Mitzvah from Fran Krimston  
Sandy and Carol Stern  
Brian and Cheryl Hatkoff  
Joel and Claudine Horowitz  
Tyree and Les Wieder  
To the Caring Community, "Thank you for my beautiful bag in honor of my mom Barbara Furgatch," from Cathy Pearlman  
To Phyllis and Hal Bass in memory of your dear sister Toby from Sharon and Mel Janis  
To Phyllis and Hal Bass in memory of Toby Lipton from Shelly, Phil and Jonathan Trop  
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Sandra Drogichen and Family on the death of her mother, Rose P. Soogoff.

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Lynn Miles and Family on the death of her aunt, Sydell Michael.

*May their memory be a blessing*

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 9:00am - ECEC Parent Workshop: Safely Ever After	<b>3</b> Erev Shavuot 9:30am - Torah Study	<b>4</b> Shavuot - Temple Offices and School Closed 6:00pm - Yizkor Service	<b>5</b> 10:00am - Judaica Art Class 6:00pm - Confirmation Family Dinner 6:00pm - ECEC Bring Dad To School Night	<b>6</b> 7:30pm - Erev Shabbat Service	<b>7</b> 4:45pm - Confirmation Service Group 1
<b>8</b> 8:45am - Men of TAS 11:00am - Sisterhood Donor Event - Away 4:45pm - Confirmation Service Group 2	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 9:30am - Torah Study	<b>11</b> 7:00pm - JNET Meeting	<b>12</b> 6:00pm - ECEC Graduation 7:00pm - ECEC Graduation Dinner 7:00pm - Book Group Meeting	<b>13</b> 7:30pm - Erev Shabbat Service	<b>14</b> 10:15am - Bar Mitzvah of Rylan Gesshel
<b>15</b> Father's Day	<b>16</b> ECEC Camp Begins	<b>17</b> 9:30am - Torah Study	<b>18</b> 7:15pm - TAS Board Meeting	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 6:15pm - Erev Shabbat Outdoor Service 7:15pm - Shabbabaque	<b>21</b> 10:15am - Bat Mitzvah of Tali Yollis 4:45pm - Bat Mitzvah of Kassidy Evans
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 9:30am - Torah Study	<b>25</b> 6:00pm - Sisterhood Monthly Mah Jongg 7:00pm - Synaplex Meeting	<b>26</b> 7:00pm - Budget and Finance Committee Meeting 7:00pm - Social Action Meeting - Away 7:00pm - Worship Committee Meeting - Chapel	<b>27</b> 7:30pm - Erev Shabbat Service	<b>28</b> 4:45pm - Bat Mitzvah of Arielle Tabesh
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