

Temple Ahavat Shalom

Northridge, CA



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March 2017

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ECEC



We have two big events coming up this month, Purim and then the ECEC Annual Luncheon. Both should be great fun and I hope that you will be able to join us for each one.

The Luncheon is our largest ECEC fundraiser of the year and money raised goes towards improving the ECEC playgrounds and equipment, special programs we like to include each year, like Animaly and our weekly music specialist, and general upkeep and supply purchases.

Our Luncheon is being held on Sunday, March 26 and this year, we are extremely excited to be honoring Rabbi Lutz. Rabbi Lutz has been a great supporter of the ECEC from the time I first started working here. He truly understands the importance of early childhood education, the need for Jewish education starting in the early years and the importance of the connection between the school and the Temple. Our families and our children all know and love the Rabbi. Please look for invitations which should have already arrived.



We are still collecting items for the Luncheon auction. If you or anyone you know is able to donate suitable items, please contact me. All items will be greatly appreciated and tax forms can be supplied when needed. Our Grand Prize is a two night stay at the Hotel Del Coronado, including the breakfast buffet both days, and I know from personal experience how

delicious that breakfast is. We will also have many unique boutique vendors and hope you will enjoy shopping as much as you enjoy our Mediterranean style lunch.

In order to prevent having to incur large tuition hikes each year, we rely on our fundraising to keep the preschool and ITC running. Some fundraising events to mention are our Movie night and pizza, challah sales every Friday, Food Truck Night, Passover Chocolate sales and our ECEC Luncheon.

Do you run to the market and stand in line every Friday morning to buy a challah? Did you know that you can order them from the ECEC and pick up at your convenience, and we will always have easy parking available! If you would like to purchase a challah from us, we charge \$6.50 per challah, and you can either have a standing order each semester, or you can call Sandy by Wednesday afternoon every week and tell her what you would like.



At the moment we are selling Miss Chocolate Passover candy. This sale includes Barton's candy, Old Time Favorites and some great household items. We have order forms available in both the Temple and ECEC offices. Orders can also be placed on line at www.misschocolate.com. Go to the Online Store tab, look at student sign up and follow the simple directions. Please enter our school code of 703581 so that we receive the credit. Sale ends on March 10 and orders will be delivered to the school or shipped to your home, prior to Passover.

After we return from our Passover break, please join us April 18. We will be celebrating the end of our matzah eating days by feasting on dinner from food trucks. I will keep you updated on information for this event as we finalize details, but pencil in the date for now.

I look forward to seeing and perhaps meeting many of you at these upcoming events.

*L'Shalom,
Tessa Cramer*

MARCH 9, BOOK GROUP SELECTION, *HOW'S YOUR FAITH? AN UNLIKELY SPIRITUAL JOURNEY* BY DAVID GREGORY. CATHY MEYERS, FACILITATOR

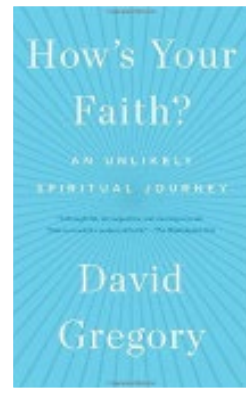


Raised by a Catholic mother and a Jewish father, David Gregory had a strong sense of Jewish cultural and ethnic identity, but no real belief—until his marriage to a Protestant woman of strong faith who inspired him to explore his spirituality for himself and his growing family. The former NBC newsman and *Meet the Press* moderator, Gregory probes various religious traditions to better understand his own faith and answer life's most important questions: who do we want to be and what do we believe?

David's journey has taken him and into the heart of Orthodox Judaism and inside Christian mega-churches. It has brought him back to his childhood, where belief in God might have helped him through his mother's struggle with alcoholism and through a difficult period

of public scrutiny and his departure from NBC News.

David approaches his faith with the curiosity and dedication you would expect from a journalist accustomed to holding politicians and Presidents accountable. Gregory explores why spiritual journeys are always worthwhile.



The Book Group meets in the Library/Chapel on the second Thursday of the month. Refreshments are available at 7:00 p.m. and the discussion begins at 7:30 p.m. A \$5 contribution per person is requested. Feel free to join the group even if you have not read the book. (Note: The selection for April 13 will be, *A Remarkable Kindness* by

Diane Bletter). For questions or more information about the Book Group contact Howard Schnee by email at hschnee106@aol.com

Tyree Wieder, Ed.D.

JEWISH DAY OF ACTION FOR REFUGEES
FEBRUARY 12, 2017



SPOTLIGHT ON SISTERHOOD

Mark your calendar!

(Deadlines in **bold**)

Wednesday, March 15	Campership Application deadline
Thursday, March 16	Sisterhood Meeting – Art experience
Thursday, April 6	Sisterhood Seder
Thursday, April 20	Sisterhood Meeting – Karaoke
Sunday, May 7	Mah Jongg Tournament
Thursday, May 18	Sisterhood Meeting – Telling your Story

FEBRUARY EVENTS

Phyllis Bass' presentation on Ellis Island was excellent. It was fascinating to learn about the myths and truths about this iconic island in our history. I was humored to hear that Phyllis' relatives were *creative* about their child's age so that they would only have to pay for a child's ticket when coming to America, because this happened in my family, too. I was amazed to learn that over 14 million people were processed through Ellis Island. Thank you to Phyllis for her informative and interesting presentation.

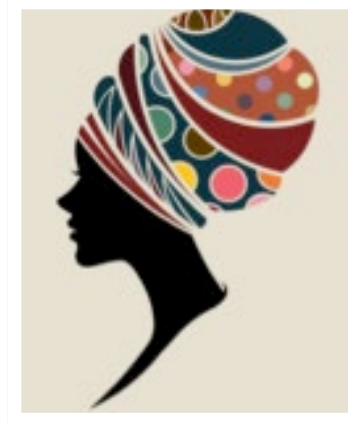
MARCH MEETING - ART EXPERIENCE

On **Thursday, March 16** (7:00 p.m.), TAS artist-in-residence, Lezlie Kussin, will lead a fun art-filled evening. This meeting will be in the TAS Activity Center Art Room (AC #1/6). Join us for a hands-on evening where you will take home your art creation. All materials are provided free of charge for members and Friends of Sisterhood. Guests are asked to contribute \$5. We really need RSVPs for this meeting, so that we know how much art supplies to provide. RSVP by March 6 to Kathy Barker kathy@chipsandbits.com.

Lezlie Kussin has been exhibiting her art in California galleries since the mid-1980s. She is now using recycled pieces to make one of a kind pieces of art. They are

wonderful, bright, colorful, textural pieces that look amazing hanging in homes, offices, stores, and galleries.

SISTERHOOD SEDER



This year's Sisterhood Seder will be another incredible event. The topic is "Exploring Jews in Africa" and it will include the stories, legends and traditions of people and tribes living Jewishly in Africa. The Seder is Thursday, April 6 (6:00 p.m.) - get your RSVP in quick, because

the Seder sells out and walk-ins are not allowed. Cost is \$38 for Sisterhood members and Friends of Sisterhood and \$45 for non-members/non-Friends. Send the form with the names of everyone attending along with check (payable to TAS Sisterhood) to Rhonda Mayer, 195 Tierra Rejada Rd #191, Simi Valley, CA 93063.

FUTURE EVENTS

April's meeting will be a musical evening of karaoke and song, so mark **Thursday, April 20** on your calendar. We will also be announcing the slate of candidates for the Board next year and taking nominations from the floor.



Another awesome Sisterhood Mah Jongg Tournament will happen on **Sunday, May 7**. Come to the tournament and tell your Mah Jongg playing friends!

NOMINATIONS FOR THE SISTERHOOD BOARD

Sisterhood has done many amazing programs and events

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this year. If you would be willing to help choose Sisterhood's programs, fundraising events, spiritual days, charitable giving and volunteer work for next year, please contact Sue Sculler tassues@gmail.com to discuss where your abilities can be useful.

The best part of being on the Sisterhood Board is how Board members are there for one another. Come join our team and Sisterhood will be better for your involvement. We are stronger together. Thank you for your continued support of Sisterhood.

CAMPERSHIPS

The deadline for submitting campership applications (March 15) is fast approaching. Children who wish to receive a Sisterhood/MoTAS campership should have completed most or all of the required volunteer hours by now. Application forms are in the religious school office.



Contact Laura Silverman at laurasilver818@aol.com or (818) 895-1789 for more information about the campership program.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MAH JONGG



Don't know how to play? Want to learn? Come to our monthly Mah Jongg game. 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.

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.

EXTENDED KIDDUSH

Has the cost of Bar/Bat Mitzvah receptions got you down? Sisterhood can provide a low cost luncheon after your child's Bar or Bat Mitzvah for your family and friends. This is not the big shebang with a DJ and dancing – it's a low key way to provide a nice meal after the service for your guests. Contact Sharon Janis at (818) 886-1295 if you are interested.

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JUDAICA SHOP



Stop by the Temple Judaica shop, brought to you by Sisterhood, and view our latest treasures! See our wonderful selection of holiday items to enhance your celebrations. Throughout the year we carry a versatile collection of Judaica – jewelry, tallits, kippahs, mezuzahs, yads, candleholders, yahrzeit memorials, cards for every occasion and more!

We are open during Shabbat evening onegs, on Sundays from 9:00 a.m. to 11:45 a.m. (when Sunday School is in session) and Wednesdays 10:00 a.m. - Noon.

Special appointments? With pleasure! Call Laraine Miller at (818) 993-0796 or Linda Sculler at (818) 701-7117. Credit cards, checks and cash accepted. Shop proceeds help fund the many Sisterhood projects and services provided to the temple.

COUPONS FOR MILITARY FAMILIES



Sisterhood's coupon program is back! Thanks to **Cindy Petrak** for being willing to take over from Mel Birken. Sisterhood sends boxes of coupons to overseas bases. The coupons go to Japan, to the Air Force/Marine Unit and to the Navy. The families appreciate the coupons, as prices are very high overseas.

If you would like to contribute coupons to be sent to overseas bases, here is what to do. All coupons must be cut. Cut coupons should be sorted into either "FOOD" or "NOT FOOD" envelopes. Mark the envelopes "FOOD" and "NOT FOOD" as appropriate and leave them in the lower right hand box in the chapel closet (the one marked "coupons")

Wishing you a happy, healthy 2017!

Jackie Zev
Temple Ahavat Shalom Sisterhood President





**TEMPLE AHAVAT SHALOM
SISTERHOOD
CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO OUR SPRING 2017
MAH JONGG TOURNAMENT
SUNDAY, MAY 7, 2017**

Continental Breakfast & Registration at 8:30 am

**Play begins promptly at 9:00 am
Cost \$36**



**Includes play, delicious chicken lunch, snacks & dessert
Fun opportunity drawings with great gifts**

**No refunds for cancellations less than 5 days prior to the event
Find us at: 18200 Rinaldi Place Northridge, CA 91326
(Rinaldi and Chimineas-Reseda Exit off 118)**

**Any questions:
Email -Phyllis Bigelson
phyllis@bigelsoncpa.com
or
Call—
Judi Nachenberg
(818) 764-6240**

**Please make check payable to:
TAS Sisterhood and mail check & form to
Judi Nachenberg
7037 Park Manor Avenue
North Hollywood, CA 91605**

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

(if you want a confirmation)

- I will bring my Mah Jongg Set and Dice
- I am willing to be East & keep score





**Please join Sisterhood,
Rabbi Shawna Brynjegard-Bialik and
Cantor Ken Cohen
for our
Annual Women's Seder
Exploring Jews in Africa
April 6, 2017
6:00 PM**

This unique seder includes the stories, legends and traditions of people and tribes living Jewishly in Africa—with food and music! PAID reservations are required. Tickets will NOT be sold at the door.

**Please complete the form below and send with check payable to TAS Sisterhood to
Rhonda Mayer
195 Tierra Rejada Rd #191,
Simi Valley 93065
by March 29, 2017.**

**SPACE IS LIMITED. We sell out EVERY year - Reserve NOW!
For more information please call Rhonda at 818.448.1040.**

Name: _____ Phone: _____ Email: _____

	# attending	Cost per person	Total cost
Sisterhood Member		\$38	\$
Guests		\$45	\$
TOTAL			\$

Please write the name of each guest on the back



Men of Temple Ahavat Shalom



2017 BASKETBALL SQUARES

The Men of Temple Ahavat Shalom (MoTAS) announce the 2017 edition of "Basketball Squares," the NCAA Final Four version of our popular "Football Squares" game for the Men's and Women's semifinal and final games in the NCAA Basketball Championships, March 31 – April 3, 2017. The earnings from this program (potentially as much as \$1800) are used to support special Temple programs and needs; funding that is above and beyond money available from normal TAS budget allowances. **New for 2017: Basketball Squares covers both the Men's and Women's Final Four!**

A brief reminder of how the game works:

1. There is a chart set up, with the numbers 0-9 across the top for the "home" team (the school located closer to TAS) and down the side for the "away" team for each men's and women's game, and the numbers are arranged randomly for each grid. There are 100 total squares on the board. Your \$36 contribution gives you one square in each grid (same in each grid). Since the grid numbers are randomly selected, it makes no difference where your square is.
2. Payouts are \$150 for both the halftime and final scores of each game. You can win once or twice in a game. If the board is not fully subscribed, the payout is proportional based on the number of subscribed squares.
3. To address the possibility that all 100 squares might not be subscribed, the following is the procedure for empty squares that win: each player will make a guess as to what the total number of points both teams will score. This number will be used to settle all cases, for all 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. For example: NCAA 73-59 = "132" (73 + 59)
4. Any adult is eligible to play. A player can reserve up to 3 squares and up to 3 more for their partner/spouse.

Official rules, an on-line signup form, and printable signup forms are on the MoTAS website at <http://squares.tasnorthridge-motas.org>. **Payment must be received by Wednesday, March 29, 2017. Unpaid squares will be cancelled and made available to other participants.**

Your support of this program is greatly appreciated. You might win some money, but the Temple is the big winner! A warm "Thank you" from the Men of TAS.

	Men of Temple Ahavat Shalom		Tiebreaker	Number of Squares (Max 3 per person)
	2017 Basketball Squares Sign Up Form			
Player Name:	_____	Total Points:	_____	× \$36 = _____
Player Name:	_____	Total Points:	_____	× \$36 = _____
Mailing Address:	_____			TOTAL DUE: _____
City:	_____	State:	_____	Zip: _____
Phone #:	_____	Email:	_____	
Payment Information:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Check payable to "TAS Mens Club MoTAS"				
Credit Card: <input type="checkbox"/> Visa <input type="checkbox"/> Mastercard <input type="checkbox"/> Discover				
Card Number: _____				
Expiration: _____ CVV: _____ Signature: (below)				
Name on Card: _____ X				
OFFICE USE ONLY				
Grid Square: _____				
Check#: _____				
Cash: _____				
C/C: _____				
IOU: _____				
Amount: _____				

Please fill in this form and drop off/mail to: Men of TAS Basketball Squares • Temple Ahavat Shalom
18200 Rinaldi Place • Northridge CA 91326



WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US FOR A CarFit EVENT

Saturday, April 29, 2017 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
California Highway Patrol West Valley Area Office
5825 De Soto Avenue Woodland Hills, CA 91367
818-888-0980



AARP is sponsoring a nation-wide program promoting CarFit and your group has the opportunity of participating in this program at the CHP West Valley Area office.

We hope you will want to participate in this program. All you have to do to participate is to call the CHP office at 818-888-0980 and say "I want to register for the CarFit Event." Appointments will be made at 30 minute intervals. You'll drive in, enter the vehicle line-up in our parking lot, and our technicians will evaluate you and your car in terms of your driving safety. We'll have multiple lines and technicians available.

Thanks for your interest and please contact me or Officer Leland Tang for any additional information.

Lynn Blumberg, Senior Volunteer Program V58017 LynnBlumberg@gmail.com
Officer Tang LTang@chp.ca.gov

Now, a little information – What is CarFit?

CarFit is an educational program that offers older adults the opportunity to check how well their personal vehicles "fit" them.

Why is CarFit important? Older drivers are often the safest drivers in that they are more likely to wear their seatbelts, and less likely to speed or drink and drive. However, older drivers are more likely to be killed or seriously injured when a crash does occur due to the greater fragility of their aging bodies.

Older drivers can improve their safety by ensuring their cars are properly adjusted for them. A proper fit in one's car can greatly increase not only the driver's safety but also the safety of others.

How is a CarFit check completed? At a CarFit event, a team of trained technicians work with each participant to ensure they "fit" their vehicle properly for maximum comfort and safety. A CarFit check takes approximately 20 minutes to complete.

Search www.Car-Fit.org for additional information



VOLUNTEER CORNER

TAS thrives with the dedicated efforts of congregants who volunteer to help with activities, projects and services. It's a great way to make friends and deepen your connection to TAS. Our calendar is full with many opportunities to enhance your life. Please contact me. I look forward to help you make TAS your second home.

Laraine Miller, TAS Volunteer Coordinator
tzlady@socal.rr.com (818) 993-0796

HELP WANTED - VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE: Contact Judy Stehr, jesterjudy@gmail.com or Jill Cullen, soccermomjill@gmail.com to learn about the many community outreach efforts that TAS supports.

KESHER (FORMERLY SYNAPLEX): Help brainstorm ideas to increase connections between our members and assist with the many Kesher activities. Contact Sue Issler, sissler@socal.rr.com.

Want to join a Havurah? Contact Carol Bizar-Morton, carolthebizar@yahoo.com or Carol Stern, gusstern47@msn.com.

ALUMNI OUTREACH: Help keep in touch with our college age students with holiday mailings. Contact Enza Cohn, cohnzone@socal.rr.com or Heidi Lauer, heidig@socal.rr.com.

MARKETING COMMITTEE: Contact Steve Schacter, steven@socal.rr.com to help with publicizing our community, special events and ongoing services and activities.

JUST SAY SHALOM: Help with ways to introduce our new members into our Temple family. Please contact Todd Reznik, todd@bsrgcpa.com.

MEMBERSHIP: Help with ideas to bring in more members to our community, and keep the ones we have! Contact Pam Kramer, shortshaq@socal.rr.com.

EARLY CHILDHOOD ENRICHMENT CENTER (ECEC): Any weekday reading, baking or sharing your skills and hobbies with the children. Need help with building items, painting rooms, doors and equipment. Contact Tessa Cramer, ECEC Director, tessa@tasnorthridge.org.

LIFELONG LEARNING: Please contact Diane Levine, levinedp@gmail.com to help with TAS Tuesdays Adult Education Nights and our many other adult learning opportunities.

CARING COMMUNITY: Help with visits to congregants, or cooking for congregants in times of need. Contact Joan Krimston, thepeople@yahoo.com.

WHAT MOTIVATES ME TO VOLUNTEER AT TAS?

I have volunteered at TAS over a number of years for various reasons. My first time was to feel a part of the Temple and to meet people. It made coming to Temple on Friday nights more fun because I could talk to more people at the Onegs. Then I would volunteer with friends on projects because we got things done and enjoyed the company and the outcome. Sisterhood became a place to volunteer and learn and share leadership skills. I have gotten a lot from the Temple in good times and times of sorrow. Volunteering is one way to pay back and to make sure the Temple remains vibrant.

Carol Bizar-Morton

WHY DO I VOLUNTEER?

I have given this question a lot of thought. What is my motivation? As a child I always saw my parents involved in organizations, most of which were Jewish. This

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modeling taught me that it is each person's responsibility to give back and to help however he/she can. I have done this in various ways over the years, but I really have to say that Esther Saritzky, of blessed memory, is responsible for my greater involvement at TAS. She was the one who invited my husband, Barry, and me into her havurah. There are so many amazing people in this group who welcomed us in. I wanted to do what I could to plan activities and to keep the group communicating with one another. It has become an important part of our lives. Esther was also the organizer and leader of the Sisterhood Rosh Chodesh group and I loved attending. She worked so hard to prepare her presentations and yet not many people participated. I started sending emails to notify and remind people of our meetings. It seemed

to help and made me feel good. When she got ill she tasked us to lead and continue the group. I became the organizer and am grateful to all of the wonderful women who help to keep the Rosh Chodesh group vibrant and meaningful. TAS is a significant part of our lives. I can't imagine not being a member for the spiritual fulfillment that it brings and all of the friends we have made. I urge everyone to get involved in something at the Temple. You will get tremendous payback.

Andy Mann

(Please contact Andy Mann if you would like more information regarding Rosh Chodesh. Her email is: andybarry80@yahoo.com and Telephone (818) 360-8881.

MAN OF THE YEAR ANNOUNCEMENT

This year's MoTAS Man of the Year can truly be called a Renaissance Man. His interests are so varied that he should be up for "The Most Interesting Man in the World."

If there is a job to be done, all you have to do is ask him and it will be done.

He is selfless to a fault. His knowledge of Judaism is astounding.

Having grown up in West Los Angeles and attending high school there, he received his undergraduate and masters degrees at UCLA.

He has a profound and varied interest in theatre and seems to never miss a performance, whether it be large or small theaters.

He is also a fanatic on board games and has an extensive collection of some of the most esoteric games you can imagine.

As a computer whiz, he has worked on our MoTAS website, created flyers for our dining events and our various special events (including the golf tournament.)

He has maps in his head and is an expert on our California highways. He runs a number of blogs on the LA theatre scene and our LA streets and highways. His knowledge of computers and cyber security are well known.

He is our last 2 year's president of MoTAS. He is our own DANIEL FAIGAN!!



TAS SISTERHOOD



INVITES YOU TO

**AN EVENING OF FUN AND CREATIVITY
WITH ARTIST IN RESIDENCE**



Lezlie Kussin



**Thursday, March 16th @ 7 pm in
TAS Activity Center Art Room**

**Lezlie will supply ideas and material to create
all kinds of frames for gifts or your family treasures**

Free to members and Friends of TAS Sisterhood

\$5 to Non-members

**RSVP by March 6th to
Kathy @ kathy@chipsandbits.com**



Men of Temple Ahavat Shalom

Dining Does Good

Souplantation. 
DISCOVER FRESH™

<http://souplantation.com/>

- When: Monday, March 20, 2017, 11:00 AM to 9:00 PM
- Where: **Souplantation** (Porter Ranch)
19801 Rinaldi St. / Northridge CA 91326
818-363-3027
- Benefitting: Men of Temple Ahavat Shalom
and TAS Temple Youth (TASTY)

30% DONATION
Souplantation will donate 30% of sales
generated by your organization during non breakfast hours.
If less than 30 guests attend Souplantation will donate 20% of event sales.

- **Purchase a meal and a beverage* and enjoy a great meal and help our great organizations!**
- **No coupons or other discounts**



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Disclaimer: *1. **All participants must purchase a beverage with their meal in order to receive credit towards the organization.** 2. Under no circumstances are flyers to be handed out in the restaurant, parking lot or vicinity. Failure to comply will result in a voided contract. 3. **Coupons or discounts will not be honored in conjunction with any approved Fun-Raisers.** 4. Must present this flyer at time of purchase. 5. Your receipt will be kept and stapled to this form in order to add up the event's sales.

HOUSEHOLD GUIDELINES: 1. For the safety of our guests, no horseplay, running or climbing at any time, please. 2. Please accompany small children when visiting food bars. 3. It is very much appreciated when a supervisory person is present at a table of children.

Dining Does Good is a program of MoTAS where we partner with a local restaurant to raise money for both MoTAS and a selected temple organization. When you dine out at our partner restaurant on the event day, the restaurant donates a percentage back to MoTAS, and MoTAS splits that donation 50/50 with our selected TAS organization.

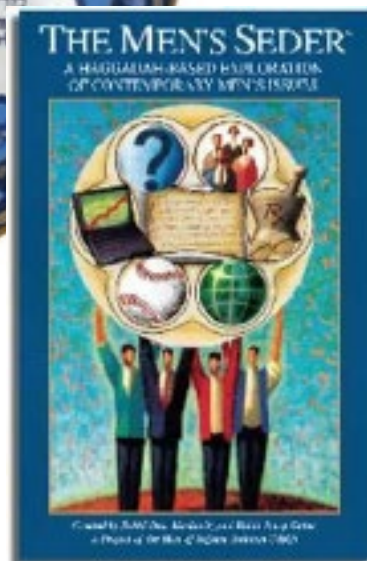


The Men of Temple Ahavat Shalom (MoTAS) is an auxiliary of
Temple Ahavat Shalom, 18200 Rinaldi Place, Northridge, CA 91326
MoTAS Website: www.tasnorthridge-motas.org TAS Website: www.tasnorthridge.org



MoTAS Men's Seder

On Sunday, April 2, you are invited to join the Men of TAS at our annual Men's Seder. This special service and dinner, modeled after the traditional Passover Seder, provides a comfortable and 'safe' space for the men of TAS to explore and celebrate what it means to be a contemporary Jewish man. The text of our special haggadah, developed by MRJ, explores issues that pertain specifically to men; the service and dinner provides a place to take those issues, share them, discuss them, and wrestle with them.



Our Men's Passover Dinner will consist of traditional Passover foods -- water, wine, homemade charoset, and more (maybe even gefilte fish) -- as well as barbeque chicken and tri-tip from one of our favorite BBQ restaurants in Northridge (for what man doesn't love barbeque).

The cost for the meal and the service is \$20. The schedule is as follows:

- 5:30pm: Sign in and snacks
- 6:00pm: Service and dinner

You may reserve in advance by calling Roger Lowe at 818/576-8980 or emailing treasurer@tasnorthridge-motas.org and pay at the door, or pay online (see <https://wp.tasnorthridge-motas.org/activities/mens-seder/>). Reservations are necessary and are due by noon on Monday, March 27. Please invite your brothers, fathers, uncles and friends to join you. TAS affiliation is NOT required for this event.

GENEROUS GIFTS

ALUMNI OUTREACH

Wendy and Barry Krowne in memory of David Orenstein

ANNUAL GIVING/ GENERAL FUND

Debbie and Scott Weiss in memory of Adele Silverman
Carol Sookman in honor of Lynn and Mike Doner
Marian Rosen in memory of Barry Finkelstein
Karen and Gordon Silverstein in memory of Barry Finkelstein,
Carol Stern's loving brother
Karen and Gordon Silverstein with great appreciation to
Laraine and Howard Miller for all you do to make our Temple
better and keep our Temple family so close

CANTOR'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

Michael Frank and The Colvin Family
Shelly and Phil Trop sending wishes for a speedy recovery to
Jeff Shulman
Karen and Gordon Silverstein with thanks for the wonderful
Cantor's Concert, it was amazing!

CARING COMMUNITY FUND

Shelly and Phil Trop in memory of Lisa Hardaway
Shelly Trop sending wishes for a speedy recovery to JoAnn
Leeds
Andy and Barry Mann to Diane Levine sending wishes for a
speedy, complete and easy recovery
Melissa and Alan Kassan in memory of Adele Silverman
Phyllis and Hal Bass in celebration of the birth of Eve
Josephine Sikes, granddaughter of Abbey Klein. The proud
parents are David and Lindsey Sikes
Shelly and Phil Trop sending wishes for a speedy recovery to
Diane Levine
Shelly and Phil Trop sending wishes for a speedy recovery to
Gloria and Allan Katcher
Shelly, Phil and Jonathan Trop to Sharon Janis sending wishes
for a speedy recovery
Shelly and Phil Trop in memory of Barry Finkelstein
Barbara and Julian Fox in memory of Barry Finkelstein
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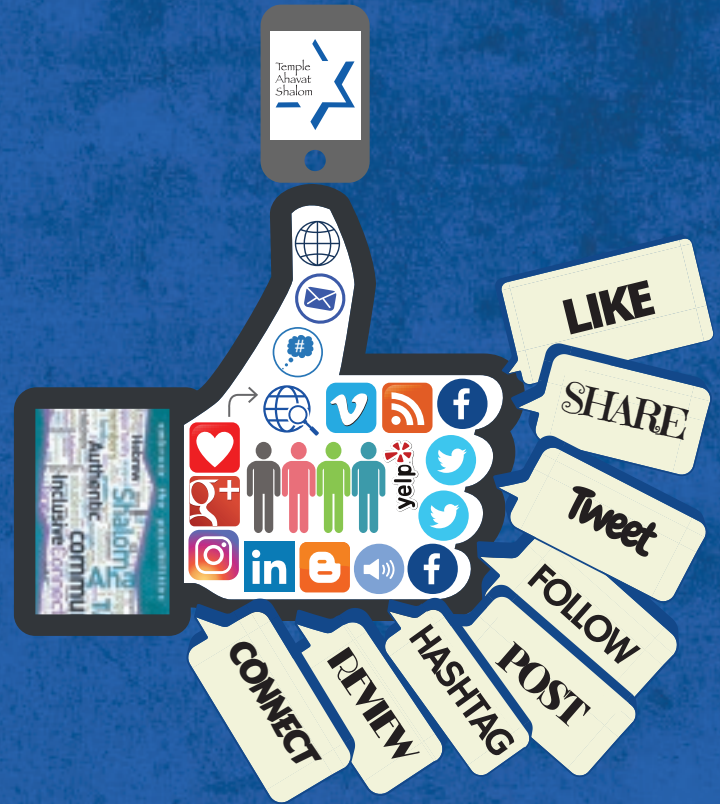
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 4:00pm - Adult Hebrew 7:00pm - Social Justice Meeting: Consultation on Conscience with Rabbi Lutz 7:00pm - Social Action Committee Meeting	2 10:00am - Adult Ed: Melton Class 4:00pm - Adult Hebrew Class 7:00pm - Bylaws Committee Meeting	3 7:30pm - Erev Shabbat Service - Featuring the L'Taken Participants	4 6:00pm - MRJ Man of the Year Dinner
5 9:30am - Adult Ed: Purim with Rabbi Lutz	6 ECEC/ITC Closed 10:00am - Adult Judaica Art Class	7 9:30am - Torah Study 7:00pm - Adult Ed: Melton Class 7:00pm - Budget and Finance Committee Meeting	8 4:00pm - Adult Hebrew Class	9 10:00am - Adult Ed: Melton Class 4:00pm - Adult Hebrew 7:00pm - Book Group Meeting 7:00pm - Gala Committee Meeting - Away	10 6:45pm - Lay-led Torah Discussion 7:30pm - Erev Shabbat Service - Jewish Music Celebration	11 9:00am - Shabbat Morning Yoga 6:00pm - Purim Skit and Schpiel
12 Change Clocks to Daylight Savings Time 9:00am - Joint Religious School at Temple Ramat Zion 11:00am - Purim Carnival at TRZ	13 10:00am - Adult Judaica Art Class	14 9:30am - Torah Study 7:00pm - Adult Ed: Melton Class 7:00pm - Marketing Committee Meeting Away	15 4:00pm - Adult Hebrew Class 7:15pm - TAS Board Meeting	16 10:00am - Adult Ed: Melton Class 4:00pm - Adult Hebrew Class 7:00pm - Sisterhood - Art Experience 7:00pm - Fund Development Committee Meeting	17 5:30pm - Bim Bam Bimah 6:00pm - Community Shabbat Dinner 7:00pm - Erev Shabbat Service	18
19 9:00am - Religious School Field Trips	20 10:00am - Adult Judaica Art Class 11:00am - MoTAS Dining Does Good - Souplantation	21 9:30am - Torah Study 6:00pm - Adult Ed: TAS Tuesdays 7:00pm - Adult Ed: Melton Class	22 4:00pm - Adult Hebrew Class 6:15pm - Sisterhood Monthly Mah Jongg 7:30pm - ECEC Parent Board Meeting	23 4:00pm - Adult Hebrew Class	24 TASTY Retreat 6:45pm - Lay-led Torah Study 7:30pm - Erev Shabbat Service	25 9:00am - Shabbat Morning Yoga 4:00pm - Club 67 Bowling Night - Away
26 8:00am - Blood Drive 10:00am - ECEC Luncheon and Boutique	27	28 9:30am - Torah Study 7:00pm - Adult Ed: Melton Class 7:00pm - ECEC Rosh Chodesh	29 4:00pm - Adult Hebrew Class	30 4:00p - Adult Hebrew Class 7:00pm - Sisterhood Board Meeting - Away	31 6:30pm - Neighborhood Shabbat 7:30pm - Erev Shabbat Service	

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