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## SHARE THE SPIRIT OF LIFELONG LEARNING



**Jewish Learning Board  
2010-2011**



### **Living and Learning Our Values**

<i>Klal Yisrael</i>	The Jewish People
<i>Kavanah</i>	Intentional Living
<i>Talmud Torah</i>	Lifelong Learning
<i>Tikkun Olam</i>	Repairing the World
<i>T'fillah</i>	Prayer
<i>M'dinat Yisrael</i>	The State of Israel

We are excited to present to you the *Limudim 2010-2011*, with adult education opportunities for the new year. This *Limudim*, presented by the Jewish Learning Board, helps to fulfill one of the six core values for Temple Adat Elohim:

We believe that Jewish education begins at the earliest age and continues throughout our lives. Learning is an on-going, interactive activity in which we are all both students and teachers. Our sacred texts and history lay a foundation for our study as we individually build upon the wisdom of ancient times. Torah, and all that it encompasses, is our tree of life and we continue to nurture its growth for future generations.

In addition to new engaging and enriching classes, lectures and programs of study, this year we offer a new structure for lifelong learning at TAE:

#### *Talmidim – Our Lifelong Learners*

The program is simple. Earn credits by attending programs throughout the year as you deepen your knowledge of Judaism, your community, and yourself. At the end of each year, we will recognize all of those who have accumulated at least 100 hours of study (which will roll over year-to-year). You will be responsible for tracking your hours and we will be responsible for honoring your achievements.

## WEEKLY STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

### **Talmud Study Group    Saturday Mornings    8:00-8:45 AM**

Join us as we study from the text, *A Taste of Text: Talmud and Midrash*. We're having a wonderful time and don't want to keep this a secret! All are welcome and no prior experience is necessary. Lay-led by Ken Elman and Rabbinic Student, Lisa Bock.

### **Torah Study Group    Saturday Mornings    8:45-9:30 AM**

Please join us for our ongoing (for over 20 years) Saturday morning Torah Study led by our rabbis. Come explore the Torah text, participate in sparkling discussions, and enjoy the commentary by fellow Torah Study members. Uncover why many feel the study of Torah enlightens and expands one's understanding of our Jewish roots. No prior experience is necessary. We will save a seat for you!

### **Women's Torah Study    Thursday Mornings    11:00 AM-12:00 PM**

Join us as we explore our ancient texts through a woman's lens. Led by Rabbi Dubowe, no prior experience is necessary.

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## KIDS KORNER

### "READ JEWISH – BE JEWISH"

The purpose of the program is to encourage children of all ages and grade levels to read "chapter" books by Jewish authors and/or related to Jewish themes. The books can be fiction or non-fiction, action, adventure, mystery or biography.

Participation requirements are simple: Pick a book by a Jewish author or with a Jewish theme; read the book; complete the book review form that is located in the "Read Jewish-Be Jewish" binder in the TAE library; and turn in the review to the TAE office, Attn: Board of Education.

After the Board of Education receives your child's book review form, your child will receive a special certificate and a \$5 gift card to Robek's, donated by the Lippel Family, for those children who have read and reviewed CHAPTER BOOKS.

### MOMMY AND ME – ALL GROWN UP

We invite you to join us as we enter our second year of Mommy and Me – All Grown Up, a program that includes 10<sup>th</sup> grade girls and their mothers (grandmothers or aunts). A few things we have done in the past are: Made beautiful glass mirrors at a glass studio, created sculpted clay masks, attended a self-defense studio, and had a private cooking class. We anticipate another year of fun and interesting activities and would love to have others join our welcoming group of girls and mothers. We meet once a month on Sunday and most events are from 6:30pm to 8:30pm.

Please contact either Marcia Gordon at [marcia@thegordonz.com](mailto:marcia@thegordonz.com) or Cory Jakl at [cory@jakl.net](mailto:cory@jakl.net) and we will be happy to give you further information.

For more information or to RSVP for any of our programs, please call the TAE office at (805) 497-7101 or email [office@adatelohim.com](mailto:office@adatelohim.com).

**Women's Seder****Wednesday, April 21<sup>st</sup>****6:30—9:00 PM**

Why is this night different from all others? Come find out as we honor Miriam, Yocheved, Zipporah and all of our foremothers at an evening for women, by women. Learn more about the meaning behind the seder, enjoy a delicious meal and celebrate "sisters," past, present and future through music, stories and discussion. All ages welcome. For more information, contact Charlene Wecker, char4321@hotmail.com or 805-241-7578. Sponsored by TAE Sisterhood.

**MAY 2011****Jewish Genealogical Society of Conejo Valley****Sunday, May, 1<sup>st</sup>****1:30—3:30 PM**

Program to be announced.

**"Paperclips"****Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>****6:30—8:30 PM**

Commemorate *Yom HaShoah* with us! Together we will remember the Holocaust through the relevant and inspirational movie, "Paperclips."

Whitwell Middle School in rural Tennessee is the setting for this documentary about an extraordinary experiment in Holocaust Education. Struggling to grasp the concept of six million Holocaust victims, the students, none of whom were Jewish, decided to collect six million paper clips to better understand the magnitude of this crime against humanity. This powerful film details how the students met Holocaust survivors from around the world, and transformed themselves and their community. Sponsored by TAE Religious School and Jewish Learning Board.

**Sleep: Help for the Whole Family****Guest Speaker—Christy Rosen****Wednesday, May 11<sup>th</sup>****7:00—9:00 PM**

Come learn how to help your young child get the proper amount of daily sleep required for health and wellness. Sponsored by the ECC & Mishpaha. Babysitting is available. RSVP in ECC office by May 9<sup>th</sup>, (805)497-6920).

**JUNE 2011****Jewish Genealogical Society of Conejo Valley****Sunday, June 10<sup>th</sup>****1:30—3:30 PM**

Program to be announced.

**Men's Torah Study****Monday Evenings****7:00-8:00 PM**

Join us as we explore our ancient texts. No experience is necessary.

**Florence Melton Adult Mini-School**

An approach to learning that explores how the texts of our tradition speak to the realities of our modern-day lives. This interactive, pluralistic and engaging curriculum is offered at locations in the Conejo and West Valleys, Temple Or Ami in Calabasas, Shomrei Torah Synagogue in West Hills, Valley Beth Shalom in Encino, and Temple Ahavat Shalom in Northridge. If you are interested in beginning the two-year curriculum, or for more information, contact Jordana Flores at (818) 346-6106.

**PERIODIC OFFERINGS****INTERFAITH LECTURE SERIES****Everything You Wanted to Know About...***Catholicism, Lutheranism, Islam, Mormonism, Buddhism**... And Now You Can Ask*

Leaders from these faith communities will come to TAE to teach us more about their traditions and faiths:

<b>Wednesday, December 15<sup>th</sup></b>	Catholicism	Deacon Vince Tomkovicz
<b>Thursday, January 13<sup>th</sup></b>	Lutheranism	Pastor Craig Beeker
<b>Wednesday, February 16<sup>th</sup></b>	Islam	Yahya Merchant
<b>Wednesday, March 16<sup>th</sup></b>	Mormonism	Bishop Larry Bagby
<b>Thursday, April 7<sup>th</sup></b>	Buddhism	Glenn Hughes

**SYNAPLEX SHABBAT**

SYNAPLEX revitalizes the Shabbat experience by fulfilling the three classical functions of a synagogue in an innovative way: Temples are **houses of prayer (*Beit T'fillah*)**, **houses of learning (*Beit Midrash*)**, and **houses of gathering (*Beit Knesset*)**. By offering unique opportunities for prayer, education and community-building, SYNAPLEX brings our people to synagogue and strengthens connections at Temple Adat Elohim. The first Synaplex experience will be offered on Saturday, December 4<sup>th</sup> from 8:00AM to 1:00PM.

**SHABBAT MORNING LEARNING SERVICE**

A no-stress service for novice and veteran alike! In response to requests to learn more about our service prayers and rituals, we are making the most of our mornings without Bar/Bat Mitzvah celebrations to raise our comfort level in our Shabbat services. Although these learning services are held on Saturday mornings, many of the customs apply to the Friday evening service as well. In addition, if you would like to participate in any way in the services, please contact one of the TAE clergy

Future dates: September 11<sup>th</sup>, October 2<sup>nd</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>, November 13<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>, December 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>, January 1<sup>st</sup>, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, May 28<sup>th</sup>.

## MUSSAR MOVIE-OF-THE-MONTH

This year, we are inviting everyone to join us on the third Thursday of the month in our Social Hall, where there will be a screening and discussion of the Mussar Movie-of-the-Month. You could see "Field of Dreams" with a discussion of trust, "Doubt" with a discussion of faith, "Forrest Gump" with a discussion of honor, "Driving Miss Daisy" with a discussion of humility, or... Stay tuned for the announcements of the films and Mussar *middot* to be explored. Choose a beginning or advanced Mussar class, attend the movie/discussion, or both, but don't miss the opportunity to travel the path of Mussar.

Future dates: November 18<sup>th</sup>, December 16<sup>th</sup>, January 20<sup>th</sup>, February 17<sup>th</sup>, March 17<sup>th</sup>, and May 19<sup>th</sup>.

## ROSH CHODESH

Our Rosh Chodesh program gives women (13 and older) the opportunity to welcome the new moon and the new month; learn the background behind some of the most famous women in Jewish history through stories, songs, and articles; make new friends; and discuss topics relevant to women – all in the comfort and warmth of a home. Refreshments served. Bring yourself -- maybe a friend, mother or daughter-- and an open mind. Contact Shoshana Fischer at (805)402-4884, ([shoshiemi@aol.com](mailto:shoshiemi@aol.com)) or Charlene Wecker ([char4321@hotmail.com](mailto:char4321@hotmail.com)) for locations and more information. Sponsored by TAE Sisterhood.

## REBBE'S TISH

Join us for this classic Shabbes experience of study, prayer, food and celebration! BYO Dairy (non-meat) lunch.

Future dates: January 29<sup>th</sup> and February 19<sup>th</sup>

## TAE FAMILY RETREAT

**4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL TAE Family Retreat**  
**Brandeis Bardin Campus of American Jewish University**  
**Simi Valley**  
**Friday, September 24<sup>th</sup>—Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup>**

Celebrate Shabbat with your TAE community in harmony with nature. Reservation forms available in the Temple office or by emailing [office@adatelohim.com](mailto:office@adatelohim.com).

## MARCH 2011 (continued)

### Everything You Wanted to Know About...

#### *Mormonism*

#### *... And Now You Can Ask*

*Bishop Larry Bagby, Church of Latter Day Saints, Thousand Oaks*

**Wednesday, March 16<sup>th</sup>**

**7:30-9:00 PM**

### Transitional Kindergarten Open House

**Tuesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**6:30—8:00 PM**

Come learn about our exemplary transitional kindergarten and the benefits of the "gift of the extra year" for your child. Sponsored by the ECC & Mishpaha. Babysitting is available. RSVP in ECC office before day of event, (805)497-6920.

## APRIL 2011

### Jewish Genealogical Society of Conejo Valley

**Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**1:30—3:30 PM**

Program to be announced.

### Everything You Wanted to Know About...

#### *Buddhism*

#### *... And Now You Can Ask*

*Glenn Hughes, President, American Buddhist Congress*

**Thursday, April 7<sup>th</sup>**

**7:30—9:00 PM**

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### Bagel Brunch

**Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup>**

**9:30—11:30 AM**

This month's speaker is Dr. Greg Treverton, Director of the RAND Corporation's Center for Global Risk and Security and a professor at the Pardee RAND Graduate School. He is an expert on national intelligence and has authored the book, Ph.D. in economics and politics from Harvard University, an M.P.P. also from Harvard University, and an A.B. in public and international affairs from Princeton University. He will speak on a topic of his choice. This event is sponsored by Brotherhood and is open to the entire TAE community. Please RSVP to [brotherhood@adatelohim.com](mailto:brotherhood@adatelohim.com) by Wednesday, April 6<sup>th</sup>.

## FEBRUARY 2011 (continued)

Everything You Wanted to Know About...  
*Islam*

... And Now You Can Ask

**Yahya Merchant, Muslim Community Leader**

**Wednesday, February 16<sup>th</sup>**

**7:30—9:00 PM**

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**Women's Spirituality Day**

**Sunday, February 20<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00 AM—3:00 PM**

Take a break today and meet the superheroes among us. Tap into your inner Wonder Woman and learn about the powers you possess: to think, to feel, to love, to heal, to laugh, to fight, to soar. It's a day of speakers, workshops, music, surprises, fun and a lot of heart. For more information, contact Shoshana Fischer, [shoshieml@aol.com](mailto:shoshieml@aol.com), or (805)402-4884. Sponsored by TAE Sisterhood.

## MARCH 2011

**Bagel Brunch**

**Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup>**

**9:30—11:30 AM**

**Is there Such a Thing as a Judeo-Christian Culture?**

Noah Strote, the son of our own Joel Estroji, will speak. Noah is a Ph.D. candidate in European and Jewish history at U. C. Berkeley, and his topic should be of particular interest to contemporary Jews as it illuminates the influence, or lack thereof, of Jews on contemporary life. This event is sponsored by Brotherhood and is open to the entire TAE community. Please RSVP to [brotherhood@adatelohim.com](mailto:brotherhood@adatelohim.com) by Wednesday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**Jewish Genealogy Society of Conejo Valley**

**Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup>**

**1:30—3:30 PM**

Program To Be Announced

**You're Not the Boss of Me: How to Brat-Proof Your Child**

**Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>**

**7:00—9:00 PM**



**Betsy Braun**, a leading national parenting specialist, will talk about ways to raise children in today's society. We are very pleased to be offering an opportunity for our community to listen and learn from Ms. Braun. For over three decades, Betsy has helped parents negotiate the twists and turns, highs and lows, of parenting. Sponsored by the ECC & Mishpaha. Babysitting is available. RSVP in ECC office before day of event, (805)497-6920.

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## SOUL JOURNEYS

Are you looking for something a bit deeper?

Are you ready to take the next step and experience your own soul journey?

*Mussar* provides a powerful system for personal and spiritual growth. Rooted in ancient tradition, *mussar* speaks ever more clearly to our modern world. Hundreds of our congregants have felt the impact of *mussar* through one-time learning opportunities and ongoing study and practice. If you would like to experience the possibilities of a soul journey, we invite you to enroll in one of the following sessions:

**Discover Your Soul Journey through "A Season of Mussar"**

For those just beginning the journey, we have both a Tuesday evening and a Friday morning *mussar va'ad* (group). Participants discover and work on their own "soul curriculum" through study, meditation, learning with a partner, and practice. No prior experience in *mussar* or Judaism is necessary. Groups meet every other week, over the course of 13 weeks. Class size is limited to 12 participants and there is a \$100 fee per person.

**Tuesday evenings**

Led by Richard Jackman and  
Michele Matis Jackman

**7:30—8:30 PM**

November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>, December 14<sup>th</sup>, January 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, February 1<sup>st</sup>

**Friday mornings**

Led by Michelle Princenthal and  
Miriam Goodman

**9:30—11:00 AM**

September 24<sup>th</sup>, October 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>, November 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>, December 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>

**Continue your Soul Journey with a "A Season of Mussar II"**

For those who have completed "A Season of Mussar," join us on Thursday evenings to continue your Mussar practice. There is a \$100 fee for each participant.

**Thursday evenings**

Led by Ken Bock and  
Lisa Bock, Rabbinic Intern

**7:00—8:30 PM**

October 7<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup>, November 4<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, December 9<sup>th</sup>, January 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>

**Ongoing Mussar Journeys**

Ongoing groups for those who have completed "A Season of Mussar I & II" meet on the following days. These groups are led by members of the *va'ad* and there is no fee for participation:

**Tuesday evenings**

**7:30—9:00 PM**

September 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>, October 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>, November 9<sup>th</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>, December 7<sup>th</sup>

**Wednesday mornings**

**9:30—11:00 AM**

October 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>, November 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>, December 1<sup>st</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>

All of our Seasons I & II group leaders are trained by The Mussar Institute. For more information on the practice of Mussar: [www.mussarinstitute.org](http://www.mussarinstitute.org).

For more information on our study groups and to register, contact the temple office at (805) 497-7101 or [office@adatelohim.com](mailto:office@adatelohim.com).

## SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ADULTS

### Sunday mornings

**9:00—11:30 AM**

School year - October 3<sup>rd</sup> - May 22<sup>nd</sup>

I would like to learn the basics.

I would love to keep one step ahead of my kids.

I might be interested in conversion.

I would like to learn Hebrew.

I would love to become a Bar/Bat Mitzvah.

I am thinking about my next step.

Do any of these statements sound familiar? Each Sunday during the school year, we will offer the following courses that, when combined, can fulfill many of your goals. Sunday's program will be structured:

9-9:30	<i>T'fillah</i> in the Sanctuary led by Cantor David Shukiar
9:30-10:30	Year One: Lifecycle events and holy days Year Two: Jewish thought, theology, and contemporary Jewish topics
10:30-11:30	Year One: Beginner's Hebrew Year Two: Advanced Hebrew, prayer, and Torah trope

**First Hour:** \$200 per year

**Second Hour:** \$200 per year

**First & Second hour:** \$360 per year

Classes are taught by TAE Clergy, Staff and special guest instructors

## ADULT B'NAI MITZVAH

Adult B'nai Mitzvah is a modern ritual for those who did not become Bar/Bat Mitzvah at age 13. If you would like to participate in this group study experience, enroll in the full two-year program outlined above. In addition, students will attend other Sunday morning programs offered throughout the year. The program culminates with a Shabbat service on March 24, 2012, that includes Torah readings and student speeches.

## EARNING TALMIDIM CREDITS

Enroll in any or all of the above classes to earn credits toward recognition as one of our TAE Talmidim.

## CONVERSION TO JUDAISM

For those considering conversion to Judaism, the year one class is an important introduction to Judaism and is one of the requirements for conversion established by our Clergy. Students interested in conversion will also meet privately with one of our Clergy on an ongoing basis. Please contact either of our Rabbis or our Cantor if you are beginning this journey.

## JANUARY 2011 (continued)

### Middah of the Month: Practicing Jewish Values at Home

**Wednesday, January 12<sup>th</sup>**

**7:00—9:00 PM**

Michelle Princenthal will help parents instill, recognize and integrate Jewish values into family life. Examples of those values are honesty, generosity, concern for others, gratitude, perseverance, self-reliance. Sponsored by the ECC & Mishpaha Babysitting is available. RSVP in ECC office before day of event, (805)497-6920.

### Everything You Wanted to Know About...

#### *Lutheranism*

*... And Now You Can Ask*

**Pastor Craig Becker, Westlake Lutheran Church**

**Thursday, January 13<sup>th</sup>**

**7:30—9:00 PM**

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### *Tu B'Shvat Seder*

**Wednesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>**

**6:30—8:00 PM**

*"The tradition of the Tu B'Shvat seder began during the Middle Ages, when the holiday was celebrated with a feast of fruits. It was later adapted by mystic kabbalist Rabbi Isaac Luria of Sfat into the form of a seder in which the fruits and trees of Israel were given symbolic meaning. The idea of this seder was that eating ten specific fruits and drinking four cups of wine in a specific order, while reciting appropriate blessings, would bring people and the world closer to spiritual perfection."* The Jewish Learning website

Come hungry to learn and to eat! Join us for a Tu B'Shvat Seder. This program is suited for all ages. Contact Rabbi Dubowe if you would like to do a *mitzvah* and help prepare this fun seder!

## FEBRUARY 2011

### Bagel Brunch

**Sunday, February 6<sup>th</sup>**

**9:30—11:30 AM**

**Galveston 1900: Texas Jews with a Yiddish Drawl**

**Rabbi Emeritus Alan Greenbaum**



In 1900, Galveston Island was known as the Wall Street of Texas. Jewish life was thriving. The Rabbi was Henry Cohen, and the stories are amazing! Rabbi Greenbaum is always an interesting speaker, and his talk should be both entertaining and enlightening. This event is sponsored by Brotherhood and is open to the entire TAE community. RSVP to [brotherhood@adatelohim.com](mailto:brotherhood@adatelohim.com) by Wednesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## DECEMBER 2010

### Bagel Brunch

**Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup>** **9:30—11:30 AM**

### Human Trafficking

This month's Bagel Brunch features **Detective Dana Harris** of the Los Angeles Police Department's Detective Support and Vice Division, Human Trafficking Section. This event is sponsored by TAE Brotherhood and is open to the entire TAE community. *Please RSVP to [brotherhood@adatelohim.com](mailto:brotherhood@adatelohim.com) by Wednesday, December 1<sup>st</sup>.*

**Community Chanukah Candle lighting** **The Oaks Mall**  
**Sunday, December 5<sup>th</sup>** **6:00—7:00 PM**

Join the TAE Adult Choir, the Band of Milk and Honey and *Shirei Elohim* as we share the joy of the Chanukah season with the community.

**Genetic Genealogy Demystified:**  
**Understanding and Interpreting Your DNA Results**

**Guest Speaker—Elise Friedman**

**Monday, December 6<sup>th</sup>** **7:00—9:00 PM**

Genetic genealogy is a cutting-edge tool that genealogists have been using to supplement traditional genealogy research for the last 10 years. Using DNA for genealogy may seem daunting at first, but you definitely don't have to be a geneticist to make use of this great tool. Join us to learn about the major types of genealogical DNA tests in use today, the genetics behind them, how to read your results, and how to use those results to identify genealogical connections. **Annual Chanukah party and membership renewal party.** Sponsored by JGSCV.

**Everything You Wanted to Know About...**  
**Catholicism**

*... And Now You Can Ask*

**Deacon Vince Tomkovicz, St. Maximilian Kolbe Catholic Church**

**Wednesday, December 15<sup>th</sup>** **7:30—9:00 PM**

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## JANUARY 2011

### Authors! Authors! Authors!

**Sunday, January 9<sup>th</sup>** **1:30—3:30 PM**

Come hear JGSCV Members talk About books they have written: Warren Blatt *Getting Started in Jewish Genealogy*; Werner Frank *Legacy: The Saga of a German-Jewish Family Over Time and Circumstance*; Erica Miller, MD, *The Dr. Erica Miller Story: From Trauma to Triumph*; and Mark Abbott Stern, *David Franks: Colonial Merchant*. Four JGSCV members who are authors will talk about their books. Erica Miller will do a book signing. Sponsored by JGSCV.

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## MONTHLY SCHEDULE

### SEPTEMBER 2010

#### Shabbat Morning Learning Service

**Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup>** **10:00—11:30 AM**

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#### Bagel Brunch

**Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup>** **9:30—11:30 AM**

Brotherhood's first bagel brunch of the year is a *meet and greet* and Sukkah-building event. Come out and meet your fellow TAE brothers and help us build the Sukkah. Sponsored by the Brotherhood. This event is open to the entire community. Please RSVP to [brotherhood@adatelohim.com](mailto:brotherhood@adatelohim.com) by Wednesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>.

#### 4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL TAE Family Retreat

**Friday, September 24<sup>th</sup>—Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup>**

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#### Etrog & Eats: A Night in the Sukkah

**Monday, September 27<sup>th</sup>** **7:00—9:00 PM**

Join the Sisterhood as we learn about the Festival of Booths and the parts of the *lulav* and *etrog* – then fulfill the mitzvah of the holiday by shaking one yourself. Followed by dairy/pareve potluck dinner. Contact [Shoshana Fischer](mailto:Shoshana.Fischer@805-402-4884) at 805-402-4884 or [shoshieml@aol.com](mailto:shoshieml@aol.com) or Evelyn Green at (805) 376-1864 or [magra0011@yahoo.com](mailto:magra0011@yahoo.com) for more information. Sponsored by TAE Sisterhood.

## OCTOBER 2010

### East Meets West: Immigrant Film Moguls, Émigré Directors and the Rise of Film Noir

#### Celebrating JGSCV's 5th Anniversary!

**Guest Speaker: Vincent Brook, Media Studies Teacher**

**Monday, October 4<sup>th</sup>** **7:00—9:00 PM**

The Hollywood film industry was founded by a group of Eastern European Jews, who headed most major American film studios. Another influx of German/Austrian Jewish film directors was driven to the U.S. by the Nazis in the 1930s—a number of them, such as Fritz Lang, Billy Wilder, Otto Preminger, and Edward G. Ulmer, would play a determining role in the rise of what was later called "film noir" [dark themes; a term used to describe Hollywood crime dramas]. Brook will examine the ethnic origins of the two groups and how their different backgrounds enabled their considerable contributions to the cinema, and in particular "film noir." Book purchase and signing opportunity.

#### Rosh Chodesh

**Sunday, October 10<sup>th</sup>** **9:30—11:30 AM**

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**OCTOBER 2010 (continued)****The League of Women Voters****Thursday, October 14<sup>th</sup>****7:00—9:00 PM**

Temple Adat Elohim, together with HEVRA Hadassah and Emek Hailanot Hadassah of the Conejo Valley, invite you to come hear about the propositions on the upcoming ballot. A representative from the non-partisan organization, The League of Women Voters, will explain in layman's terms so we understand just what a NO or YES vote means. Bring your sample ballots to make notes. Bring your questions for a Q&A. Make informed decisions when entering your voting precinct this November.

**Raising Children in Today's Fast-paced World****Wednesday, October 20<sup>th</sup>****7:00-9:00 PM**

**Dr. Penni Seller will be discussing** the effects of our hectic, technology-based lives on our kids and how to help manage our lives." Dr. Seller, Psy.D. specializes in early childhood and parenting issues. Sponsored by the ECC & Mishpaha. Babysitting is available. RSVP in ECC office before Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> (805)497-6920.

**Mussar Movie-of-the-Month****Thursday, October 28<sup>th</sup>****7:00—10:00 PM**

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**Bagel Brunch with Rabbi Riter****Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup>****9:30—11:30 AM**

Our own Rabbi Riter will kick off this year's bagel brunch speaker series. This event is sponsored by Brotherhood and is open to the entire TAE community. *RSVP please to [brotherhood@adatelohim.com](mailto:brotherhood@adatelohim.com) by Wednesday, October 27<sup>th</sup>.*

**NOVEMBER 2010****Mitzvah Day****Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup>****9:00—11:00 AM**

Join us for a rewarding day of community service. Projects include sorting food at Food Share; Creek Clean-up—picking up trash at Paige Lane; Comfort Blankets—sewing blankets for displaced children; TAE grounds work—projects on the temple grounds; and a Blood Drive—in partnership with Temple Etz Chaim. Please go to [www.taemitzvahday.org](http://www.taemitzvahday.org) to register or obtain more information.

**NOVEMBER 2010 (continued)****JGSCV Visits the L.A. Family History Center****Sunday, November 7<sup>th</sup>****1:00—5:00 PM**

Our annual exclusive research afternoon with help from JGSCV senior members and Family History Center staff. You must be a current member of JGSCV, but you can join at the door.

**Bagel Brunch****Sunday, November 14<sup>th</sup>****9:30—11:30 AM****Guest Speaker—Steve Popper****Senior economist at the RAND Corporation**

Dr. Popper is also an expert on Israeli energy issues. He has recently authored, *Natural Gas and Israel's Energy Future: A Strategic Analysis Under Conditions of Deep Uncertainty*, available for download from RAND's website ([www.rand.org](http://www.rand.org)). He has a Ph.D. in economics from the University of Minnesota. He will speak on a topic related to Israeli energy issues. This event is sponsored by TAE Brotherhood and is open to the entire TAE community. *Please RSVP to [brotherhood@adatelohim.com](mailto:brotherhood@adatelohim.com) by Wednesday, November 10<sup>th</sup>.*

**Dangerous or Safe?****Wednesday, November 17<sup>th</sup>****7:30—9:00 PM**

**Dr. Cara Natterson**, a medical doctor, author of *Dangerous or Safe—how to maximize your children's health and safety in this toxic world.* . Sponsored by the ECC & Mishpaha. Babysitting is available with RSVP in ECC office before day of event. (805)497-6920.

**The Rebbe's Tish****Saturday, November 20<sup>th</sup>****10:00 AM—1:00 PM**

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**Thanksgiving Interfaith Service****Wednesday, November 24<sup>th</sup>****7:00 PM**

Temple Adat Elohim is the proud host for this year's annual service sponsored by the Conejo Valley Interfaith Ministerial Association.