



KOL ISHA

"Voice of Women"

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Adat Elohim

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IT'S TIME TO JOIN!!

2025-2026 TAE SISTERHOOD MEMBERSHIP FORM

Hello current and future sisters—We are so excited for you to join us! Your membership in Sisterhood lasts from July 1, 2025–June 30, 2026. All members **MUST** fill out a form every year to ensure we have your most updated interests and information.

We will not be having the temple bill you, so please make payment via check (made out to TAE Sisterhood) or Zelle milavetzcpa@gmail.com.

Please go to <https://forms.gle/ETVum58o9wtWMsfH7> to fill out your form online or use this QR code.

If you have any questions or if you need help completing the form, please contact our Co-VPs of Membership, Penny Greenblatt at penny935@aol.com or Deb Satz at debsatz@aol.com.



Sisterhood Movie Group

We meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom to discuss the chosen movie(s) of the month.

Join us on Tuesday, September 9th to discuss "On the Basis of Sex," starring Felicity Jones, Armie Hammer & Justin Theroux

Questions? Please contact: Barbara Peifer at barbsgr88@aol.com / (805) 375-2436

Women's Torah Study

Thursday mornings ~ 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon

If you are interested, please contact Sharalynn Schulner at sharalynns@aol.com / (805) 231-2338

Sisterhood Is Here For You

If you or someone you know in Sisterhood are healing from surgery or dealing with an illness—or would simply like to receive a caring call now-and-again—please contact:

Nickie Dwork at
(805) 551-0629 OR
nickie1970@aol.com.



CALENDAR

September

- 4, 11, 18, 25 Women's Torah Study (10:30 am–12 pm)
- 8 Board Meeting
- 9 Movie Group

October

- 8 "Supper in the Sukkah" (see p. 3)
- 9, 16, 23, 30 Women's Torah Study (10:30 am–12 pm)
- 13 Board Meeting
- 14 Movie Group
- 19 Membership Luncheon

For more information, contact Patti Zeman at rpzeman@gmail.com / (805) 298-2027.



President's Message §

Dear Sisters,

Summer is almost gone and autumn is just around the corner. I hope everyone enjoyed our fun Pizza-and-Wine Membership event at The Stonehaus. By now, everyone should be renewed or newly joined in Sisterhood for the coming year. If you are not, please connect with our wonderful Membership VPs, Deb Satz and Penny Greenblatt. The process is painless!

Bunco in August was great! Making new friends over rolling dice, what could be better! Look for information for future Bunco dates and join us. Thank you—Melanie Weisenfeld, Beverly Shapiro and Marilyn Lippel—for making Bunco happen.

Let's celebrate the holidays together in a way that only Sisterhood can: Supper in the Sukkah, Chanukah party, and our special Women's Seder. Don't forget to join us for the Sisterhood Shabbat later in the year. And check the Wednesday TAE news email and our sisterhood email blasts for upcoming exciting programs throughout the year!!

Sisterhood members come together in friendship, participating in programs that support our sisters and benefit the temple as well as the community.

Don't miss out on friendship, fun, and fulfillment!

With warm regards,
Elaine Bercy

Check out our Sisterhood Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/TAESisterhood>) and, of course, take a look at our page on the TAE website.



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN JOINING A BOOK GROUP?

Our group meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. on Zoom.

If you are interested, please contact Barbara Peifer at barbsgr88@aol.com / (805) 375-2436.

Articles for Kol Isha may be sent to the editor, Patti Zeman, by email (rpszeman@gmail.com) or call 805.298.2027 for questions. The next Kol Isha will be the November/December 2025 issue. The deadline for submissions for that issue will be October 20, 2025. ✽

LOOKING FOR VENDORS

Looking for vendors for the Holiday Boutique at Temple Adat Elohim on Sunday, December 7th, 9 am-1 pm in the Social Hall. Each vendor will be provided with one 8-foot table with chairs, receipt books, and a central cashier to process cash and credit card sales.

Vendor Fee: \$50

Donation: A tax-deductible 18% of your total sales will be donated to Temple Adat Elohim Sisterhood.

If you are interested in participating or if you know of other vendors who might be interested in joining us, feel free to share this information or contact Lynne West at (805) 795-9554 / lwbsvc@aol.com.

**SISTERHOOD WILL HAVE ITS CHANUKAH SALE
ON DECEMBER 7TH FROM 9 AM - 1 PM
SEE PAGE 6.**

SAVE THE DATE!



Sisterhood Membership Luncheon

Sunday, October 19th
at the Temple from 12-2:30 p.m.

More details to follow.

SAVE THE DATE!

ISRAELI DANCING
Wednesday, November 5th

More details to come.



E-Mail List Updates §

Please send all e-mail address changes and additions to **Patti Zeman** at rpszeman@gmail.com or 805.298.2027. ✽



“Supper in the Sukkah”

Wednesday, October 8th at 6 p.m.

Come have supper in the Sukkah with your
TAE Sisters to celebrate Sukkot!

Dinner will be catered by Stonefire Grill—\$22 per person

Please bring a sweater or jacket with you to our “cool”
Sukkah event! Can get a little chilly!
Can’t wait to see you there!

Send your dinner choice and make your payment:

— Make check payable to TAE Sisterhood and send with dinner choice to:
Jane Parnes, 5832 Middle Crest Drive, Agoura Hills 91301

— or Zelle: milavetzcpa@gmail.com and send your dinner choice to Jane at jrparnes@stanford.edu

RSVP DEADLINE
WEDNESDAY,
OCTOBER 1ST

All dinner choices include a cookie & a bottle of water.

- #1 - Strawberry Walnut Salad: romaine lettuce, fresh strawberries, mandarin oranges, candied walnuts, gorgonzola cheese, Craisins, apple chips, blood orange vinaigrette
- #2 - BBQ Chopped Chicken Salad: mixed greens, black beans, roasted corn, carrots, red cabbage, cilantro, tortilla strips, tomato, scallions, olive oil vinaigrette
- #3 - Same as #2 but with Tri Tip
- #4 - Same as #2 but with Quinoa
- #5 - Caprese Sandwich: fresh mozzarella, sliced tomatoes, arugula, pesto, balsamic, olive oil on a ciabatta roll
- #6 - BBQ Tri Tip Sandwich: tri tip with bbq sauce, hoagie roll
- #7 - BBQ Chicken Sandwich: chicken, oven roasted tomatoes, bbq sauce, pickles, arugula, olive oil, red wine vinegar, pesto aioli, hoagie roll

All Sandwiches come with a side salad

There will be no extra food for purchase at the event, so
please send your RSVP, payment, and your MEAL CHOICE by
October 1st. Thanks!



Questions? Please contact:
Jill Marder-Meyer (818) 269-8693 / jill@pilateswlv.com



CANCER HAS AFFECTED EVERYONE—YOURSELF, FAMILY, FRIENDS.
SIGN UP TO JOIN TEAM TAE OR DONATE TODAY. DETAILS ARE ON PAGE 5.





**JOIN RELAY FOR LIFE TEAM TAE
IN THE FIGHT AGAINST CANCER**

RELAY FOR LIFE

OF CONEJO VALLEY




Join Us in Fundraising & Celebrating that Relay is

FORTY, FABULOUS, & FIGHTING CANCER

**SATURDAY
SEPT 27**

8:30 AM – 8:30 PM

CALIFORNIA LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY
MEMORIAL FIELD
 141 Memorial Parkway, Thousand Oaks, CA

EVENT SCHEDULE

8:30 AM FunRun Begins

9:30 AM Opening Ceremony & Survivor Lap

7:00 PM Luminaria Ceremony

8:00 PM Closing Ceremony

SIGN UP AND SAVE LIVES
<http://main.acsevents.org/goto/teamtae>

Join us for a day of family fun as we celebrate survivors and caregivers, remember moved ones and fight back against cancer - for everyone.

If you have any questions,
 email SocialAction@AdatElohim.com

Relay For Life

Join Team TAE at Relay For Life or Donate Today!

WALK with Temple Adat Elohim's Team TAE at Relay For Life of Conejo Valley, **DONATE** to the American Cancer Society, or order a **LUMINARIA**, and let's fight cancer together.

Event Details

- **Date:** Saturday, September 27, 2025
- **Time:** 8:30 AM – 8:30 PM
- **Location:** California Lutheran University – Memorial Field
- **Address:** 141 Memorial Parkway, Thousand Oaks, CA

Walk as little or as much as you want! Every step helps us move closer to a world without cancer. Bring your energy, your friends, and your spirit!

Event Highlights

- **8:30 AM** – Fun Run Begins
- **9:30 AM** – Opening Ceremony & Survivor Lap
- **7:00 PM** – Luminaria Ceremony (a powerful moment of remembrance)
- **8:00 PM** – Closing Ceremony

Why Participate?

- Celebrate survivors and caregivers
- Remember those we've lost
- Raise life-saving funds
- Be part of 40 years of impact!

Sign Up to Join Team TAE or Donate Today

<http://main.acsevents.org/goto/teamtae>

Questions? Email SocialAction@AdatElohim.com

Luminaria:

Honor a loved one affected by cancer. Each bag is decorated with the name of someone you're remembering or supporting and will be lit during the Luminaria Ceremony at 7:00 PM. Don't miss this powerful and emotional highlight of the event. The cost is \$10, and the profit is donated to Relay for Life. **LEARN MORE AT:** <https://www.adatelohim.org/connect/social-action/relayforlife/>

CHANUKAH IS ALIVE AT TAE!

DO ALL YOUR CHANUKAH SHOPPING WITH US!

TAE foyer
Sunday, December 7th
9 a.m. – 1 p.m.



Shop for all your Chanukah Items!
Candles ☆ Decorations ☆ Dreidels ☆ Gelt ☆ Menorahs
Paper plates ☆ Napkins ☆ and more!

Call/text Paula Kraft at (805) 341-7665
if you have questions.

Cash, Checks, or Credit Cards accepted.





TAE Sisterhood

We have beautiful Tallitot for purchase as you prepare to celebrate your child's or grandchild's Bar/Bat Mitzvah.

Call Paula Kraft for an appointment at (805) 341-7665.

Sisterhood Chanukah Party
Wednesday, December 10th
More details to follow!

Tribute Cards

It is so nice to receive a card on your birthday or a thoughtful note on your anniversary. Sisterhood can make it easy for you to recognize your friends in that special way.

For \$4, a card will be sent for you to whom-ever you wish. A Goldengram costs \$7.

We do all the work and you get all the credit.
What a deal!

A list of monthly birthdays and anniversaries are e-mailed to you each month. Just send us your requests. Our Tributes e-mail is taetributes@gmail.com.

By sending a Tribute Uniongram, you are making a contribution to the Youth, Education and Special Projects (Y.E.S.) Fund of Women of Reform Judaism.

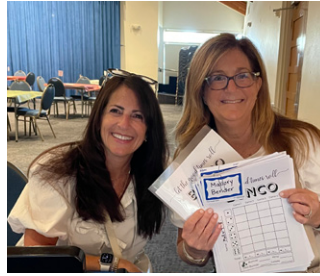
—Mary Forman & Diana Kealer



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See's Candies
Order All Year 'Round!

Let me be your personal shopper for all of your See's Candies gift-giving needs.
To place your order, call Myra Lee at
(805) 496-5234.

We had a great time playing Bunco in August!



Thank you-Beverly Shapiro, Melanie Weisenfeld & Marilyn Lippel-for organizing a fun night out!



Friendship

Fun



Come Join the Fun!

Mah Jongg Tournament

Sponsored by Temple Adat Elohim Sisterhood
Sunday, January 18, 2026

Temple Adat Elohim
2420 East Hillcrest Drive
Thousand Oaks, CA 91362 • (805) 497-7101

\$45 tournament fee per person includes a continental breakfast, delicious buffet lunch, and snacks. Bring your 2025 Mah Jongg card with your name on it.



Schedule

8:30-9:00	Check-in, coffee and bagels
9:00-12:00	Session 1 (3 rounds)
12:00-12:45	Lunch
12:45-3:45	Session 2 (3 rounds)
4:00	Awards

Invite Your Friends!

For more information, please contact
Patti Zeman (805) 298-2027 / RPZEMAN@gmail.com

To register, fill out the form below
and enclose a check for \$45 payable to TAE SISTERHOOD

No refunds after January 1st.

Mail to: Patti Zeman
292 Siesta Avenue
Thousand Oaks, CA 91360

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone: _____

☐ I will bring my Mah Jongg set and dice

☐ I am willing to be East and keep score

Playing level: ☐ Intermediate ☐ Advanced

Make checks payable to: TAE SISTERHOOD





*Wishing
you and
your families
a Happy and
Healthy New
Year!*

If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to any one of our board members.

2025-2026 TAE Sisterhood Board

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