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CALENDAR OF SERVICES



Friday, November 3, 2023

6:00 p.m. – Tot *Shabbat* 7:00 p.m. – Friday Night *Shabbat*

Saturday, November 4, 2023

8:45 a.m. – *Torah* Study (In Person and Zoom) 10:00 a.m. – Tabitha Greene's *Bat Mitzvah* 12:00 p.m. – Our Jewish Heritage (Zoom) 5:00 p.m. – Sophia Brown's *Bat Mitzvah*

Friday, November 17, 2023

6:15 p.m. – Friday Night *Shabbat* with The Shabbatones

Saturday, November 18, 2023

8:45 a.m. – *Torah* Study (Zoom) 10:00 a.m. – *Shabbat Minyon* Service – *Tefillah*/ Prayer (Zoom) 12:00 p.m. – Our Jewish Heritage (Zoom)



Friday, November 10, 2023

7:00 p.m. – Friday Night *Shabbat* featuring Birthday Blessings

Saturday, November 11, 2023

8:45 a.m. – *Torah* Study (Zoom) 10:00 a.m. – *Shabbat Minyon* Service – *Tefillah*/ Prayer (Zoom) 12:00 p.m. – Our Jewish Heritage (Zoom)



Friday, November 24, 2023

7:00 p.m. – 'Home For Thanksgiving' *Shabbat* in the Round

Saturday, November 25, 2023

8:45 a.m. – *Torah* Study (Zoom) 10:00 a.m. – *Shabbat Minyon* Service – *Tefillah*/ Prayer (Zoom) 12:00 p.m. – Our Jewish Heritage (Zoom)



CONGREGATION NER TAMID STANDS WITH ISRAEL

How You Can Help...

On Saturday, October 7, 2023, more than 2,000 Hamas terrorists attacked Israel from Gaza and launched thousands of rockets into Israel. In this brutal assault on the Jewish state and Israeli families, Hamas murdered 1,400 Israelis, wounded 4,000, kidnapped more than 200, and fired more than 7,300 rockets into Israel. As Israel fights to defend itself against the evil of Hamas, we must ensure that American support for our ally never wavers. Congregation Ner Tamid stands with Israel.

If you'd like to make a donation to help Israel:

Jewish Nevada – https://jewishnevada.givingfuel.com/swords-of-iron

Jewish Federations of North America – Support for victims, rebuild damaged infrastructure, address trauma – https://form.jotform.com/232792945496978

Israel Movement for Reform and Progressive Judaism – Humanitarian aid to those directly affected in the Gaza region – https://reform.org.il/en/donate

Jewish Agency for Israel North American Council – Assistance to terror victims, long-term rehabilitative support – www.jafina.org/crisis-in-israel

Israeli American Council (IAC) – Humanitarian aid and first response in Israel, hospitals in Israel, the needs of Israeli soldiers, and media advocacy in the U.S. – https://iac360.org/support-israel-fund

Jewish Nevada and the Israeli American Council are partnering with Baby's Bounty (www.babysbounty.org) to provide diapers to families in Israel. Working with Convoy of Hope, an international disaster relief logistics coordinator, the Baby's Bounty team is collecting diapers, wipes, and funds which will be sent via cargo plane to the region. Donors can drop off diapers and wipes at CNT's Preschool, Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Baby's Bounty, 3400 W. Desert Inn Rd., #24,

Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., or at Jewish Nevada, 8861 W. Sahara Ave., #120,

Monday – Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., and Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Monetary donations can be made at www.jewishnevada.org/donate.

Please write Baby's Bounty in the donation purpose line.

Pick up a **Blue Ribbon** at our office – www.blueribbonsforisrael.org

Scan the **AIPAC QR Code** at right or text ISRAEL to 24722 to tell your members of Congress and the administration to continue standing with Israel.



Visit www.aipac.org/gaza-war-faqs for answers to frequently asked questions about the war.

Antisemitism is on the rise...

Always report incidents, suspicious activity, or other concerns to local law enforcement, your Jewish security initiative (if applicable), and the Secure Community Network (SCN) Duty Desk at DutyDesk@securecommunitynetwork.org or 844.SCN.DESK.

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PRESIDENTIAL PERSPECTIVES



In 1863, it seems like yesterday, Abraham Lincoln proclaimed a national Thanksgiving Day to be held each November. This year on Thursday, November 23, Thanksgiving arrives, my favorite holiday. We all know the pilgrims started Thanksgiving back in 1621, and it is unbelievable it took 242 years for it to become a national holiday.

Thanksgiving does not have much of a religious significance but centers around cooking and sharing a meal with family and friends. More than 90 percent of Americans eat turkey on that day, and that is a lot of birds being enjoyed by humankind, followed by a lot of naps.

Even though there is no religious connotation to this holiday, volunteering by holding food drives and serving meals to the less fortunate is a blessing. Praying for our community, family, and friends before our

meal is also a way of adding a religious thought to this day.

As we approach Chanukah which is more material in nature, I like the Thanksgiving holiday aspect of not having to worry about receiving or giving gifts, and hoping we reciprocate those gifts in kind. Thanksgiving is all about being thankful for all the things we already have in our lives.

That is why I love this day as it reminds us to be thankful for the many things we already have.

When I started thinking about this month's Perspective, I thought it would be filled entirely with happiness, but with the War in Israel that started a few weeks ago, it's hard to not feel sadness for our brothers and sisters and the struggles they are going through. Please, on this Thanksgiving, if there is anything you can do for Israel, please do so. Through donations for those in need or a prayer to help them heal their soul, all will be helpful and well received.

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving and bless you all.

Shalom and L'chaim, Michael Levy - President

Congregation Ner Tamid's 50th Anniversary
Celebration Dates And Events
Will Be Announced Soon...

Please volunteer for our many committees that will steer this joyous celebration and impact our Temple's future for generations to come.

Contact Roberta Unger at runger@lvnertamid.org

RABBI'S REFLECTIONS

Writing my monthly essay is usually a relatively easy task. I try to share a bit of wisdom from our tradition and highlight upcoming events. Sitting down at my desk today it seems challenging to speak of joyful events like our Hanukkah & Holiday Bazaar or upcoming specialty Sabbaths, senior events, youth events, and so forth. Our Bulletin is filled with all of our normal activities. We are simply put, a very busy Congregation.

And yet, how do we balance out our desire to promote and encourage upcoming events with the sadness that fills our hearts as we look at the images coming from Israel? As of this writing, Israel has not yet made a ground incursion into Gaza. But we know that this will come. And when it does many lives will be lost. War is horrific.



I am not sure I have the wisdom that can balance out the mixture of emotions that we are all feeling right now. Concern for Israel. Shock at the loss of Israeli lives by the brutal attack of Hamas on October 7. And we would not be human if the loss of civilian lives in Gaza did not tug at our hearts as well. War is horrific.

Israel did not start this war. They intend to win it. The definition of "win" is often a moving target when it comes to war. It will not be easy to obliterate Hamas which is deeply imbedded in a civilian population. Moreover, Hamas is also an idea and ideology that is embraced by thousands upon thousands of Gazans. Israel must defend itself. This must include plans not only for today and tomorrow but the day after tomorrow. What will Israel's relationship be with the Palestinians and the rest of the Arab world? These are difficult questions. They are difficult to ask and difficult to come to terms with. War is horrific.

We pray for peace. That is, in my heart of hearts, what I think most (unfortunately not all) people want. To live their lives, to raise their children, and to look forward to holiday bazaars and events for children and seniors. We in America have that luxury. I pray for a world where such events are not luxuries but part of the everyday life for everyone who seeks peace. While war is horrific, peace is often challenging.

It requires warring parties to move beyond hatred, vengeance, and anger. It requires diplomacy and a willingness to understand "the other." This process may be beyond this Rabbi's rabbinic wisdom. I pray, that it is not beyond the wisdom of those in charge of the political process in the Middle East. In the words of the prophet Isaiah, "And they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war anymore."

Let us pray for the peace of Jerusalem. Am Yisrael Chai.

Rabbi Sanford Akselrad

We invite you to buy a copy of Rabbi Akselrad's new book "Love in the Time of Corona" at CNT Sisterhood's Mark L. Fine and Family Gift Shop and on Amazon (bit.ly/42Hd1BO).

CANTOR'S CORNER



Don't say, "Next year is going to be a better year... because we really don't know." Those were the words of my Rosh Hashanah sermon. Year after year, we think the world will be better, but we are often let down by personal or communal traumas. This year has been no different. At the end of Sukkot, we received the shocking news of an attack on Israel more deadly than any single day since the Holocaust. Brutal, unthinkable, attacks and kidnappings... and all around the world, hearts were shattered.

We have proven, before, to be resilient. Whether it is illness, loss, financial struggles, or difficult political situations all around the world. We have weathered all kinds of storms...

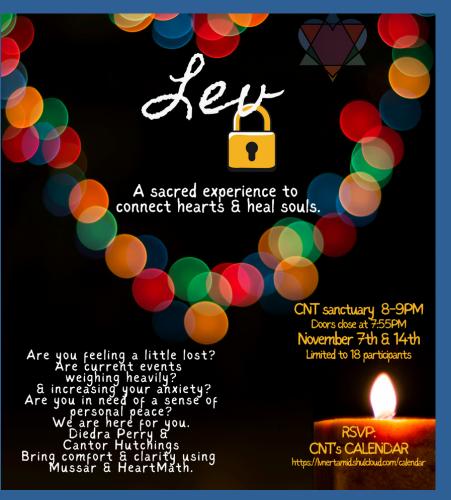
But THIS. This is different.

Not only are our hearts in the East, but we have also become more vigilant than ever when it comes to our safety in the face of antisemitism, here in the West. I don't know about you, but I feel like I am malfunctioning. I struggle to find basic words, my mind is cloudy, and I'm constantly in a state of fatigue. I'm thinking about the babies who are separated from their parents. I'm thinking about the parents who just sent their children to the front lines. I'm thinking about the families of the 1,400 victims. I'm screaming inside, "BRING THEM HOME," with hopes that it not only reunites families but also brings some relief and aid to Gaza civilians. I'm having nightmares about the security of my own family. I'm worried that Israel could cease to exist. I'm sure you, too, are having one (if not all) of the same unimaginable anxiety-driving thoughts. This adds to the already mounting pressure of typical life responsibilities and struggles, and we have found ourselves: *Disconnected* between *heart* and *mind*; *Seeking* inner and outer *peace* and *tranquility*; *Hoping* to be more *focused* and *productive*; *Wanting* better *relationships* with friends and family; *Yearning* for a better overall *wellbeing*.

I feel it. I see our brokenness. I want to offer a holding space where we can explore the Jewish tradition of Mussar which examines a rotating series of soul traits (Middot) like humility, order, and truth, and HeartMath, a way to tap into the power and intelligence of our heart, our heart's intuition, which awakens us to the best version of ourselves.

Thanks to fellow CNT Congregant and HeartMath coach, Diedra Perry, we have designed an experience that will do just that. It is called Lev Lock (Heart Lock-in is one of the intention-setting exercises we will be exploring). It is beginning as a two-part series. We are limiting participation to 18 individuals. It will take place on **Tuesday, November 7 and 14**, in a candlelit CNT sanctuary (see flyer on page 7). We will gather in a circle, in our Holy space in front of the bimah. Wearing comfortable clothes and a cozy blanket or yoga mat, we will calm our nervous system with heart-focused breathing and inwardly reflect on our soul traits. We encourage you to read, <u>Everyday Holiness</u>, by Alan Morinis (or at least start it) before joining us. But, with or without the preface of the book, if you attend this sacred session, you will have the opportunity to transform your mindset and clear a space to be resilient in spite of the storm. Join us.

CNT HAPPENINGS









Classes will be taught by Morah Pamela Henderson and Cantor Jessica Hutchings



Join CNT's Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class Of 2025!

Classes begin Tuesday, January 9, 2024. Hybrid classes meet on Tuesday evenings from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Content features Hebrew and Jewish history and culture.

A basic knowledge of Hebrew is highly recommended.

Assignments include short weekly readings assignments as well as a summer mitzvah project and book report.

B'nai Mitzvah Service tentatively planned for Saturday, January 25, 2025.

www.lvnertamid.org





Contact Roberta at CNT (702) 733-6292 for more information.







PRESCHOOL

Preschool Gets Ready To Gobble, Gobble At Thanksgiving 'Feast'

The Gary & Lynn Kantor Early Childhood Education Center invites preschoolers and their families to enjoy a Thanksgiving 'Feast' on **Tuesday, November 21**, at 11:00 a.m. The Kantor cuties will gather in their classrooms and playground to eat, and give thanks for their blessings on tables decorated with Turkey cutouts and gourds.

The Preschool recently enjoyed a Noah Shabbat where Cantor Jessica Hutchings and Glori Rosenberger dressed as dinosaurs, presided over a Tot Shabbat, and ushered the costumed kiddos outside to play with a menagerie of animals including bunnies, hens, goats, and sheep.

The Gary & Lynn Kantor Early Childhood Education Center is now enrolling children, 18 mos. – Pre-Kindergarten, into the Preschool that offers play-based learning, focusing on developmentally appropriate practices so that children meet their specific goals.

With full- and half-day Preschool schedules, The Kantor ECEC also offers weekly enrichment programs, as well as before and after care from 7:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Monday – Thursday, and 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., on Friday.

For more information about The Kantor ECEC or to arrange a tour, complete an Interest Form online at **www.lvnertamid.org** or call (702) 632-2250 or email **preschool@lvnertamid.org**.



RELIGIOUS SCHOOL

Recent CNT Religious School Alumni, College Students Invited To 'Home For Thanksgiving' Shabbat In The Round

Congregation Ner Tamid's Religious School students will celebrate Thanksgiving with a special Home For Thanksgiving Shabbat in the Round on **Friday, November 24,** at 7:00 p.m. Recent alumni and college students are all welcome! The CNT Religious School is also looking forward to a TRIBE Trip to L.A., from **Friday, November 10 – Sunday, November 12**; Cooking with Ilana on **Sunday, November 12**, from 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.; Mitzvah Day on **Sunday, November 19,** from 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.; followed by a ITTY BITTY NTTY and TNT ice skating trip from 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m., and a Camp Fair on **Tuesday, November 28,** from 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Students also created unique T-shirt designs for our Am Yisrael Chai T-Shirt Competition. We voted on two winners, so Meyer Wertheimer's design is featured on the front, and Isabella Newman's design is featured on the back. T-shirts are now on sale for a suggested donation of \$18 each. All proceeds go toward relief efforts in Israel. Buy yours via QR Code:



Family Connect Sunday, October 1, 2023



NTTY Lunch Sunday, October 22, 2023

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Religious School Am Yisrael Chai T-Shirt Designs



Order Your T-Shirts Here





Questions? Email: hayley@cntschool.org

All Ages WelcomeFree for Religious School

Fun for everyone!

B'NAI MITZVAH!

Tabitha "Tabby" Brooke Greene – Saturday, November 4, 2023



Tabitha "Tabby" Brooke Greene will become a Bat Mitzvah on Saturday, November 4, at 10:00 a.m. Tabby is the daughter of Amy Greene and Michael Greene, stepdaughter to Molly Greene, and sister to Lainey, all of whom are active members of Congregation Ner Tamid. She is an eighth grader at Bob Miller Middle School in Henderson. Tabby recently tried out for and got chosen to be on the Bob Miller Middle School flag football team as a running back. She loves soccer and is also a member of the LVSA soccer team playing offense. She thrives in a team environment and participating in these two sports. Tabby has attended Jewish summer

camp at Camp Alonim for the past three summers, where she has grown in her Jewish identity and made life-long friendships. She will continue to attend and has goals of being a counselor in training (CIT) in the future. Tabby loves music, spending time with her friends and family, shopping, and is an avid sports fan including the Las Vegas Golden Knights and University of Michigan sports. Tabby has become a huge fan of sneakers, which is the focus of her Mitzvah project. She is working with an organization called Sneaker Impact and is collecting used sneakers (all sizes), which are then refurbished and provided to those less fortunate. There is currently a collection box in the lobby of CNT for any donations. Tabby has been working very hard preparing for her special day, and she is looking forward to becoming a Bat Mitzvah at CNT with her family, friends, and teammates.

Sophia Alyse Brown – Saturday, November 4, 2023



Sophia Alyse Brown, צוְפִיה שׁרה, will be called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on the afternoon of **Saturday, November 4,** at 5:00 p.m., when she will read from the paresha Chaya Sarah. Sophia is a seventh grader at Thurman White Academy for the Performing Arts, where she is the first-chair viola in the Intermediate Orchestra and also plays in the Rock Orchestra. She also shares an interest with her brother, Aaron Joel Brown, as they both play soccer. She plays on a soccer team of the Southern Nevada Soccer Association, and she is a member of Troop 230 of the Girl Scouts of Southern Nevada. For each of the past three summers, she has attended

Camp Mountain Chai. Until 2022, she and her family attended Congregation P'nai Tikvah,where she was enrolled in the Hebrew school under the direction of Rabbi Yocheved Mintz and Cantor Marla Goldberg. Since coming to Congregation Ner Tamid, she has been an active student in the Sunday Religious School and the Hebrew School as well as the TNT youth group. Sophia is a creative, hard-working, and loving young woman, with a clear sense of conscience. For her Mitzvah Project, based on her portion in which Abraham purchases a burial plot for his wife Sarah, Sophia has been raising funds for the Jewish Nevada Indigent Burials fund, which helps fund burial plots and gravestones so that indigent Jews in Clark County may have a worthy Jewish burial. Those interested in supporting this effort may do so at:

TELL AND KVELL



NO WHAMMY!!!

Look who was on TV Game Show Press Your Luck??? It's CNT Member Julie Marcus!!! The episode premiered on ABC, Tuesday, October 24, and streamed on HULU. Congratulations Julie!



NEW MEMBERS

Roberta Unger, runger@lvnertamid.org



MEMBERSHIP

Chavurah Chazarai



Michele and Denny Wertheimer hosted
CNT's Posh Noshers Chavurah on
Sunday, October 1, at 4:00 p.m.
They made a big batch of chili for the outdoor event.



Ann Kershnar and Bruce Smith hosted CNT's Wine Not Chavurah on Tuesday, October 17.

Participants brought their favorite wines and hearty appetizers to share.



Elaine Entin and Harvey Hirsch hosted
CNT's Art of Fine Liqueur Chavurah
on Saturday, October 14.
Leisa Tracey from Sips in the Desert
(@sipsinthedesert) gave a mixology class and
the group learned how to make
three different Fall cocktails.



CNT's Posh Noshers met again on Sunday, October 29, at Lindo Michoacan on Horizon and Carnegie.

CNT's Mahjong Chavurah continues to meet in CNT's main lobby every Monday at 1:00 p.m. If you'd like to join a CNT Members Only Chavurah, email **cntchavurah@lvnertamid.org** or register at: **www.lvnertamid.org/community/chavurah**

























MEMBERSHIP

Vegas **PBS** Issues Special Offers To CNT

Annual Tea

VEGAS PBS Annual Tea Saturday, December 16, 2023, 1:00 p.m.

Four Seasons Hotel Las Vegas

It's time for the Vegas PBS Annual Tea. Enjoy tea, sweets, savories, and entertainment plus take home a souvenir teacup and saucer.

Donate \$165 per person.

www.vegaspbs.org/tickets/#tea



Frankie Valli And The Four Seasons Friday, January 12, 2024, 7:30 p.m. or Saturday, January 13, 2024, 7:30 p.m.

The International Theater at Westgate
Vegas PBS welcomes Frankie Valli and the
Four Seasons for their return to Las Vegas! Don't
miss your chance to see this legendary musician
perform classics like "Walk like a Man," "Big Girls
Don't Cry," and "Can't Take My Eyes Off You."

Donate \$130 per person for a rear orchestra seat. Donate \$1,200 for two front orchestra seats, a one night hotel stay and a \$250 resort credit.

www.vegaspbs.org/tickets/#frankie



CNT Members should contact
Vegas PBS Event Specialist Christina Wood
at (702) 799-1010, ext. 5375,
cwood@vegaspbs.org to reserve,
and say you are with CNT.



Michael Feinstein Concert
Wednesday, February 14, 2024, 7:30 p.m.
Reynolds Hall in The Smith Center

Backed by a sensational big band, Michael Feinstein pays a heartfelt tribute to the legendary Tony Bennett, bringing his iconic songs to life in a symphony of sound. The performance includes hits such as "New York State of Mind,"

"'S Wonderful," and "Steppin' Out With My Baby."

Donate \$115 per person for an orchestra seat.

www.vegaspbs.org/tickets/#feinstein



Celtic Woman Concert Tuesday, May 21, 2024, 7:30 p.m. Reynolds Hall in The Smith Center

The Celtic Woman 20th Anniversary Tour will be delighting audiences with its fresh blend of traditional and contemporary Irish music that echoes Ireland's rich musical and cultural heritage, while reflecting the vibrant spirit of modern Ireland. Donate \$195 per person for a front orchestra seat with meet and greet. Donate \$125 per person for an orchestra seat.

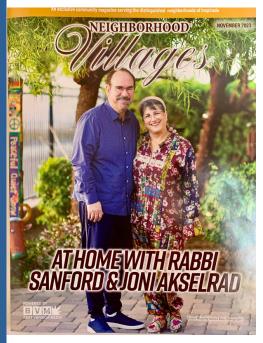
www.vegaspbs.org/tickets/#celtic Page 13

CNT IN THE NEWS



CBS, CW, FOX, NBC, Villages Magazine All Showcase CNT





Congregation Ner Tamid's Yom Kippur Services were featured on Las Vegas' NBC TV news affiliate News3 on Sunday, September 24.

Rabbi Sanford Akselrad, Cantor Jessica Hutchings, and Executive Director Edward Simon were all featured on a News3/ CW TV news story that aired on Friday, October 13, at 10:00 p.m. Reporter Ambar Rodriguez' "Las Vegas Jewish synagogue heightens security amid Israel-Hamas war" focused exclusively on CNT and how it has increased security measures to keep its members safe in the wake of the War in Israel. Rabbi Akselrad was also featured on a KLAS 8 News Now (CBS) TV news story that aired on Saturday, October 14. Reporter Lauren Negrete's "Henderson rabbi upping security at temple amid war in Middle East" focused exclusively on Congregation Ner Tamid's increased security measures. Rabbi Akselrad also talked about receiving support from the community.

Fox5 ran a TV news story on CNT's PINK Shabbat in the Round on Friday, October 27, at 10:00 p.m. CNT Members Illisa Polis and Susie Sernoe helped spread the word about Breast Cancer awareness and getting tested for the BRCA gene. Rabbi Akselrad and Cantor Hutchings were both interviewed on camera.

And, while their hearts are with those in Israel, CNT's Cover Couple Rabbi and Joni Akselrad had the opportunity to invite their Inspirada neighbors into their home in the November 2023 issue of Neighborhood Villages. In the exclusive community magazine's cover story "At Home with Rabbi Sanford & Joni Akselrad," Rabbi Akselrad and his wife are photographed by Jessica Rios and credited by the magazine's content coordinator Jaime Brousse with bringing "positive energy to our neighborhood, and our city."











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SISTERHOOD





OUR ANNUAL HANUKKAH & HOLIDAY BAZAAR

Open to the Community!

Annual

Hanukkah &

Holiday Bazaar

PRESENTED BY CNT SISTERHOOD

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5 | 9:15 AM - 1:30 PM CONGREGATION NER TAMID 55 N. VALLE VERDE DRIVE | HENDERSON, NEVADA

One stop shop for Hanukkah & Holiday Gifts Latkes, Kugel, & More

Homemade Cookie Court

Vendors

Fund 4 Youth Raffle

Sisterhood CONGREGATION HER TAMO

QUESTIONS? CONTACT CNTSISTERHOODLV@GMAIL.COM



Congregation Ner Tamid's Hanukkah season begins on **Sunday, November 5**, with its Annual Hanukkah & Holiday Bazaar at the Temple, 55 N. Valle Verde Dr., in Henderson, from 9:15 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

The Bazaar, presented by CNT's Sisterhood, is open to the public and will offer a one-stop shop for Hanukkah and Holiday gifts sold by multiple, local vendors.

"Our CNT Sisterhood has held this Hanukkah & Holiday Bazaar for more than 30 years," Sisterhood President Michelle Blank said. "This year, there will be more than 25 vendors selling a wide selection of items handcrafted by our vendors including artwork, ceramics, clothing, jewelry, Judaica, paintings, and toys."

Blank said attendees will find additional Hanukkah and Holiday gifts at CNT Sisterhood's Mark L. Fine and Family Gift Shop. "We have a large selection of tallit from Israel that will be on sale with a 30 percent discount on that day," she said.

"It's a place for everyone to do their Hanukkah and Holiday shopping," Blank said about the popular Bazaar, "and we get to enjoy traditional holiday foods like kugel and latkes."

Sisterhood will bake the homemade kugel and CNT's MENSch Club will fry the latkes. For dessert, there will be hundreds of cookies for sale, including gluten-free and sugarfree options, at the Holiday Bazaar's Cookie Court.

There will also be a Fay Schoenfeld Fund 4 Youth raffle.

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, December 10, 2023 − 1:00 p.m.

Our Sisterhood Hanukkah Party Gary and Lynn Kantor Hall More information to follow...

With love – Michelle Blank, President & Our CNT Sisterhood Board

SISTERHOOD

Mark L. Fine And Family Gift Shop

30% OFF ALL TALLITOT THROUGH SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5, AND AT THE HANUKKAH & HOLIDAY BAZAAR!!!

Congregation Ner Tamid's Sisterhood Mark L. Fine and Family Gift Shop has gifts for all of life's occasions.

Let us help you choose a new kippot or tallit, or a yahrzeit candle to commemorate your loved one.

Stop by and see what we have!

There is also a new selection of clearance items.

CNT Sisterhood Members receive 10% off regular-price items.



The Gift Shop is open Fridays, 45 minutes before services, and on Sundays from 11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. when Sunday School is in session. Or call for a convenient appointment: (702) 755-1737.

Proceeds support our Fay Schoenfeld Fund 4 Youth scholarships for CNT Religious School students.

55 N. Valle Verde Dr., in Henderson

We invite you to buy a copy of Rabbi Akselrad's new book <u>Love in the Time of Corona</u> at CNT's Gift Shop. You can then get it signed by the author at CNT after Services or by appointment. Books cost \$15 each. They are also available on Amazon (**bit.ly/42Hd1BO**).

CHESED

Shirley Kouffman, kouffman@lvnertamid.org



Chesed Committee Spreads Cheer At CNT

The Chesed Committee reminds you that we are available to call and visit. We do this when we hear of someone ailing or who is feeling lonely. Loneliness is an emotion that sometimes can be helped by contact. We try to do that. If you feel we could be of help to you, someone on your family, or a friend, please contact me or the Temple office. We'll try to make a connection. Also, if you would like to join our committee, please contact us as well.

Shirley Kouffman, Chesed Committee Chairperson Skouffman@lvnertamid.org, (702) 733-6292 Page 17

MENSCH CLUB



MENSch Club Grills Steaks, To Fry Latkes For Hanukkah & Holiday Bazaar, Temple Dinner

CNT's MENSch Club enjoyed some much needed rest and relaxation after taking down CNT's Sukkah on Sunday, October 8, with a Steaks & Spirits celebration on Saturday, October 21, at 5:30 p.m. The manly group enjoyed a night of hanging out with the fellas feasting on steak, potatoes, and vegetables, along with their favorite bottles of booze and wine. MENSch Club president Eric Polis said it was a "fun night that gets a good group together."

Next up, MENSch Club Members will fry up lots of latkes for CNT's Annual Hanukkah & Holiday Bazaar on **Sunday, November 5,** from 9:15 a.m. – 1:30 p.m., and again for CNT's Hanukkah Latke Dinner on **Friday, December 8,** at 7:30 p.m.

For more information: www.lvnertamid.org/community/community-groups/mensch-club



SENIOR SCHMOOZERS

Senior Schmoozers Plan Thanksgiving, Chanukah Events



Can you believe it's been a year already? On Monday, October 23, the Senior Schmoozers celebrated at a special One Year Anniversary Party. The dancing did not stop as Leon Gilliam entertained us with favorite songs from the 80s and 90s. The glittery Disco outfits worn by so many in the crowd boosted the mood as did the vinyl 45s and albums decorating the tables. We enjoyed Churros and Tres Leches cake to celebrate our October birthdays. Thank you to Leslie Snadowsky, CNT's amazing media maven, for creating a wonderful video of our past year: www.lvnertamid.org/community/senior-schmoo).

Our next event on **Monday, November 20,** will have a Thanksgiving theme complete

with stuffing and apple pie. The **Monday, December 11,** lunch will be our Chanukah party and will include a repeat of goodies from last year like jelly donuts, latkes, matzo ball soup, and the famous kugel made by Stacey Lewis. Glori Rosenberger will bring in children from the CNT Preschool to sing and celebrate Chanukah with us.

Speaking of singing, it was a pleasure to see so many Schmoozers on Tuesday, October 10, at CNT's Variety Show produced by CNT, The Vegas Voice Magazine, and Carnegie Heights. There were a lot of good entertainers there and I made sure to get their cards for future Schmoozer events. I thought the comedian was hysterical. Likewise, if you've been somewhere and heard someone you'd like to have as an entertainer at our lunches, please let me know. Suggestions are always welcome.

Thank you to Karen's Dream Team for helping to make our October event so successful. An ongoing thank you to David Mizrahi who has sponsored our Senior Program from its beginning a year ago. Mr. Mizrahi honors his father Joseph by sponsoring our program.

Please continue to register early on the Temple's calendar or website, **www.lvnertamid.org**, for all upcoming lunches held on select Mondays, from 12:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Senior Schmoozers welcomes anyone 65 and older. CNT Members are always free and Not-Yet Members pay \$18 for lunch and entertainment. On behalf of Senior Schmoozers, I want to say how thankful we are that two of our "regulars" made it home safely from Israel. Dana and Marshall Waldman were there during the October 7th attacks. They attended our Anniversary celebration and told us their story. May we continue to join together once a month in unity. May we pray for the brave IDF soldiers who are fighting for our state of Israel. Am Yisrael Chai!

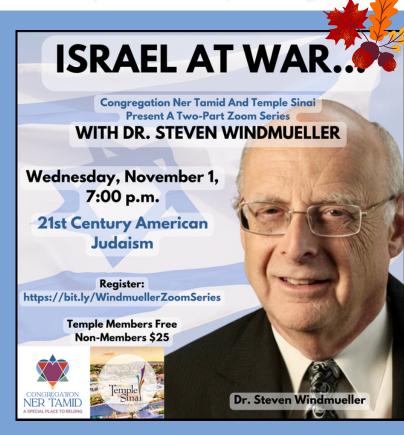
Any questions, comments, or suggestions can be sent to me at seniors@lvnertamid.org. Page 19

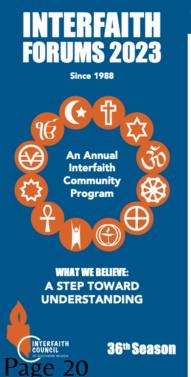
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U.S. Senator Jacky Rosen, Dr. Steven Windmueller Talk About Israel; Rabbi Akselrad Engages In Interfaith Dialogue;

Pamela Henderson Offers Classes; CNT Prepares For Trip To Argentina









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ADULT EDUCATION



Register now for the last session of Congregation Ner Tamid's 2023 Adult Education classes. Sign up on our website or calendar.



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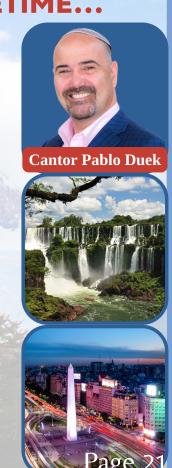
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Nevadans for the Common Good

"Happiness Is Not Something Ready Made; It Comes From Your Actions" – Dalai Lama

We at Nevadans for the Common Good (NCG) are continually working on making Henderson, Las Vegas, and Southern Nevada a better place for all of us to live and work. We have continued our successful Four-Part Training Series with the final two topics – "Housing and Mental Health" and "How to Run an Effective Meeting." Several of our CNT NCG Core Group members were in attendance at the trainings.

Our NCG Mental Health Team held a Zoom meeting with Assemblywoman Lesley Cohen and Trey Delap, a specialist in public affairs and healthcare policy, regarding Assembly Bill 132. This Bill dictates that Clark County establish a task force regarding the opiate scourge, overdoses, and fatalities in the public sector in the county. They also spoke about a review needed regarding NARCAN use on school and college campuses. Our NCG members also participated in an important NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Walk held recently here in our area.

Our CNT NCG Core Team members also recently participated in CNT's Yom Kippur Day afternoon presentation in conjunction with the Social Action/ Justice and Chesed Committees. Anna Eng, NCG's Lead Organizer, briefly spoke about NCG's accomplishments and mission to the group. As well, we were part of the recent MEET & GREET event – highlighting the three committees' work – also held at the Synagogue.

The NCG Mental Health Team meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 5:00 p.m. and the CNT NCG Core Group meets on the third Thursday at 5:00 p.m. Both are via Zoom. All are welcome to join.

CNT's Trivia Tuesdays

For CNT Members and Non-Members Alike...

Mixed subjects – anything goes!

Tuesday, November 28, 2023

7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.



Virtual Trivia via Zoom on your computer.

RSVP to mindywadkins@me.com for the Zoom link and super easy instructions to play.

SOCIAL ACTION

Social Action's Mitzvah Menorah Project; Blood Drive

On Tuesday, October 3, members of the Chesed, Nevadans for the Common Good, and Social Action/ Justice Committees sponsored a "Meet and Greet" with other Congregants interested in CNT's Tikkun Olam and Social Justice programs. We enjoyed getting to know each other over refreshments, discussed the various programs, exchanged ideas, and, most importantly, learned how each person can help build CNT's programs.

Through Social Action's Mitzvah Menorah Project, you can sponsor a child for Chanukah by purchasing age and gender-appropriate gifts for your sponsored child. The generosity of Sisterhood and an anonymous Chanukah Harry also provides a Chanukah gift for each family that includes everything needed to celebrate Chanukah. We traditionally kick off our Mitzvah Menorah Project at the Sisterhood Holiday Bazaar on **Sunday, November 5.** We are the ones sitting behind a giant menorah helping you pick just the right child to sponsor. And, beginning **Wednesday, November 1,** you will also be able to choose a child to sponsor online. Each child will be represented by a "ticket" for the Mitzvah Menorah event on Eventbrite: **https://CNTMitzvahMenorah2023.eventbrite.com**. Or email **ckjensen@cox.net** or call (702) 239-4998 for help. If you want to sponsor a child and cannot purchase gifts, please donate to Congregation Ner Tamid, and designate it for Mitzvah Menorah.

CNT's Religious School's Mitzvah Day will be held on Sunday, November 19. Religious School

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students will participate in an array of projects both on and off campus. A blood drive will be conducted as part of Mitzvah Day. Adult congregants will have the opportunity to help save lives by donating blood.

Please see the flyer for details.



Bring some Chanukah Joy to a Child in Need Congregation Ner Tamid's Annual Mitzvah Menorah Projec



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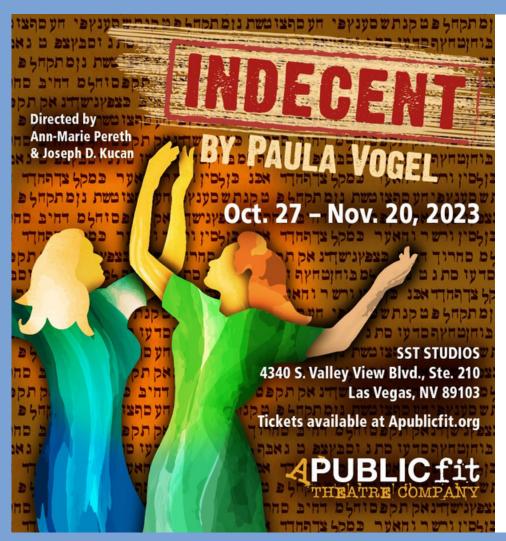
You can select a child via the internet beginning November 1, 2023. Each child will be represented by a "ticket" for the Mitzwah Menorah event on Eventbrite. Information regarding purchasing and dropping-off the gifts will be given to you when you select a child. Click on the following link or scan the code to take you there. You can also select a child in person at the Sisterhood Holiday Bazaar on Sunday, November 5, 2023. We are the ones sitting behind a giant menorah helping you pick just the right child to sponsor.

https://CNTMitzvahMenorah2023.eventbrite.com



If you want to sponsor a child and cannot purchase gifts, please make a donation to Congregation Ner Tamid and designate it for Mitzvah Menorah.

CNT ADVERTISERS



A Public Fit announced the first mainstage production of its 2023–24 season with "Indecent" by Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Paula Vogel. This true story about a little Jewish play opens on Friday, October 27, and will run for four weeks through **Monday, November 20,** at the Super Summer Studio Theatre, 4340 S. Valley View.

"Indecent is a remarkable piece of theater," says Ann-Marie Pereth, who, along with Joseph Kucan, directs this 2015 Tony Award-winning musical odyssey. "It tells the story of 'The God of Vengeance,' a play born of the Yiddish renaissance that became the first piece of theater to present a romantic kiss between two women on a Broadway stage in 1923 and the complicated journey it took to get there."



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To reserve or to purchase a Yahrzeit plaque for future engraving, please contact Roberta Unger, (702) 733-6292, runger@lvnertamid.org, to ensure your loved one's name is etched in stone.



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