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Your East Bay Secular Humanistic Jewish Community

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Our mission statement: "A Secular Humanistic community serving those who identify with the Jewish People through family, culture and history, rather than through religion."



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October 6th, 2017



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TVCJ Community Events and Dates

Sukkot

Please join us for our annual Sukkot celebration. We will build a sukkah and enjoy a potluck brunch to celebrate our harvest holiday.

Date: Sunday October 8th, 2017

Time: 10:30a.m. to 12:30p.m.

Place: Ireland Home - 19663 Fremery Ct., Castro Valley 94546

Cost: Free for Members, Non-Members \$10.00

Please bring:

- a dish to share (we have members with allergies, so please label ingredients)
- a branch for the roof of the sukkah
- a piece of fruit or gourd to hang
- non-perishable items to donate to the Alameda County Community Food Bank

If you have one, also bring your hammer and/or power drill so you can pitch in and help build our sukkah!

Board meeting/TVCJ Planning

Date: Tuesday, October 10th, 2017

Time: 7:00p.m. to 9:00p.m.

Place: Seid-Gates home, 1817 Sinclair Drive, in Pleasanton.

All members are welcome

Havdalah & Movie Night
Billy Crystal's HBO special – "700 Sundays"

Date: October 14th, 2017

Time: 4:00p.m. to 8:00p.m.

Place: Berenson-Garcia Home, 49 Nead Place, San Ramon

Bring: Please bring a potluck dish to share.

Cost: \$2.00 for members 13 and over, and \$4.00 for non-members.

Join Our October Morning Hike

Date: October 14th, 2017

Time: 10:00a.m. to Noon

Place: Pleasanton Ridge Regional Park, 9895 Foothill Road, Pleasanton, CA 94588

Park for free at the Foothill Staging Area. Carpooling is strongly encouraged. Carpool options will be offered to those who RSVP. Please RSVP to the Evite. Pets are welcome on a leash.

The hike is 4.8 miles through moderate inclines, covering a total altitude of 1050 feet.

Join Our November Hike

Date: November 12th, 2017

Time: 10:00a.m. to Noon

Place: Sycamore Grove Park, 1051 Wetmore Road, Livermore, CA 94550

We'll take a leisurely 3 to 4 mile, easy to moderate hike, meandering through oak groves, venturing out to an old vacated winery, and visiting a piece of trail that our very own Amy and her daughter Emma diligently worked on. We'll be able to forage for acorns and bay laurel nuts!!

There is a parking fee of \$7.00 per car at the park so it's best if people carpool. Alternatively, you can park at Independence Park on Holmes Avenue just north of Wetmore Road and walk over. Please RSVP to the Evite. Pets are welcome and must be kept on a leash.

Congratulations Jamie Ireland! Jamie's Graduation Party



Date: November 18th, 2017

Time: 7:30p.m.

Place: Pleasanton (Look for the Evite)

Jamie Ireland is graduating from the Leadership Program of the International Institute for Secular Humanistic Judaism. Members are invited to come celebrate.

Jewish Culture School

An engaging hands-on experience for kids ages 5 to 14. We meet two Sundays a month for discussion, cooking, dancing and singing together. Interested, or know someone who might be?

[Check out our website by clicking here.](#)

Call us at 925-485-1049 or Email jcs@tri-valleyculturaljews.org

Yom Kippur Thank You's



Thanks to:

- Judith Seid for writing the Programs for Yom Kippur and Rosh Hashanah. Judith, thanks also for telling stories.
- Karen Furst for organizing
- Derek Greenberg for being an amazing musician and leading Lean on Me
- David Gates and Karen Furst and Jamie Ireland and Noah King for set-up and clean-up.
- Adam King and Isaac Passovoy for shofar-blowing
- Amy Greenberg for the presentation on privilege, Jamie Ireland for the presentation on the Enlightenment
- Leah Grace Maxwell-Styles for the presentation on interfaith work
- Noah King for the break-the-fast reservations

#NoMuslimBanEver (Band Together) Vigil

Date: October 9th, 2017
Time: 6:00p.m. to 8:00p.m.
Place: Civic Center Plaza, San Francisco
Cost: FREE

On October 10, the Supreme Court was expected to hear oral arguments on whether the "Muslim Ban" violates the Establishment Clause and Equal Protection Clause of the United States Constitution. However, earlier this week, the Supreme Court removed oral arguments from its calendar and asked for additional briefing from the parties.

The Muslim Ban, in all of its forms and version is discriminatory, unconstitutional and inhumane in the same vein as the Chinese Exclusion Act, the Japanese American incarceration, and special registration after 9/11.

The addition of non-Muslim majority countries to the ban, namely North Korea and Venezuela, does not negate its inherent anti-Muslim intent. It also affirms the white supremacist, exclusionary policies of the Trump administration that discriminate on the basis of faith, national origin, and immigration status.

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[Endorse the #NoMuslimBanEver campaign by signing up here.](#) This broader, national effort, seeks to connect diverse groups to stand strong and oppose the Muslim Ban in all its iterations through various means including grassroots mobilization, social media, advocacy, and more.

San Francisco Bay Area Jewish Genealogical Society

Topic: My Family: I Could Write a Book

Speaker: Joan Adler
In two different locations:

Date: Sunday, October 15, 2017
Time: 1:30p.m.
Place: Rhoda Goldman Plaza, 2180 Post Street, San Francisco, CA 94115
Cost: FREE, Everyone is welcome to attend.

AND

Date: Monday, October 16, 2017

Time: 7:30p.m.

Place: Congregation Etz Chayim, 4161 Alma Street, Palo Alto, CA 94306

Cost: FREE, Everyone is welcome to attend.

Using her family's stories, Joan Adler will show how to flesh out the lives of people by writing vignettes about them and how to publish these stories in book form or post them on a family Web page with photographs where available, to bring your ancestors to life and to connect with them. For more information visit <http://www.sfbajgs.org/>.

CABARET BY THE BAY PRESENTED BY KLEZCALIFORNIA & JCC EAST BAY

Date: Sunday, November 5th, 2017

Time: 4:00p.m to 6:00p.m.

Place: JCC East Bay, Berkeley

Cost: Tickets: \$25 general; \$10 teens; no charge kids 6-12 with ticketed adult.

More information & tickets (no service fee): Klezcalifornia.org,
415.789.7679

Comedy, Yiddish song, storytelling, music, and more!

Featuring some of the Bay Area's greatest entertainers:

- MC radio personality Andy Muchin
- Hot klezmer band The Gonifs
- Comedian Lisa Geduldig (Kung Pao Kosher Comedy)
- Yiddish vocalist Gale Kissin
- Klezmer hip-hop storyteller Ariel Luckey
- Klezmer dancing led by Bruce Bierman

(There's another terrific (and different) Cabaret at Addison-Penzak JCC, Los Gatos, Sunday, October 22nd, 4:00p.m.-6:00p.m.)



**In October We
Remember:**

Who We Are

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