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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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December 13, 2016

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TVCJ Community Event Dates

Board meeting/TVCJ Planning

Date: December 13, 2016 - **Next One:** January 10th, 2017

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

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

All members are welcome

TVCJ Annual Hanukkah Celebration



When:

December 30th, 6:00p.m. to 8:00p.m.

Where:

Pepper Home - [6448 Owl Way, Livermore, CA 94551](#)

Join the [Tri-Valley Cultural Jews](#) for an evening of Latkes, Light, Music and yummy food. **Bring your menorah and a potluck dish to share**, and gather as we light our candles together and bask in their glow, singing traditional holiday

songs and best of all, eating the freshly fried latkes flowing from the kitchen. We blend traditional celebrations with new. Love to cook? You are welcome to join the fun.

This year, we are partnering with the Jewish Coalition for Literacy and are asking guests to bring either new or used (in excellent condition) children's books for their book drive. They are collecting books for children aged 4-9 (or grade level pre K - 3rd grade).

All are welcome to celebrate!

Jewish Family & Community Services East Bay

Organizer of A Narrow Bridge: Post-Election Briefing on Refugee & Immigrant Issues

When: Sun, December 18, 2016 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM PST

Where: Temple Isaiah, 945 Risa Road, Lafayette, CA 94549

Please join JFCS East Bay and our community partners for an important briefing on issues facing refugees and immigrants in the wake of the presidential election.

OPENING: Jewish Framework for Welcoming Refugees, Rabbi Judy Shanks, Temple Isaiah

PANEL #1: WHAT'S GOING ON Refugees & the U.S. Refugee Program, Amy Weiss, JFCS East Bay Director of Refugee & Immigrant Services, joined by a refugee. Dreamers & Undocumented Immigrants, Caryn Crosthwait, JFCS East Bay Immigration Attorney, joined by a Dreamer. Federal Executive & Legislative Issues, Speaker TBD.

PANEL #2: WHAT WE CAN DO Volunteering, Kathryn Winogura, JFCS East Bay Volunteer Services Manager Giving, Avi Rose, JFCS East Bay Executive Director Advocacy, Ilana Kaufman, JCRC Public Affairs and Civic Engagement Director, East Bay **FREE**.

Registration requested: <http://bitly.com/narrow-bridge>. **For more information, please call** (510) 704-7480, ext. 760 Presented by Jewish Family & Community Services East Bay.

Co-sponsored by Beth Chaim Congregation, Congregation Beth El, Congregation Beth Emek, Congregation B'nai Tikvah, Jewish Community Center of the East Bay, Jewish Community Relations Council, Jewish Federation of the East Bay, Kehilla Community Synagogue, Temple Beth Abraham, Temple Beth Torah, Temple Isaiah, Temple Sinai, and [Tri-Valley Cultural Jews](#).

Very Cool Website: [Yiddishkayt](#)



Yiddishkayt features life stories of Jewish artists and activists, jewish

culture, travel opportunities, and home to the series [Yidlife Crisis](#)
"We believe that *yiddishkayt* — the culture, language, art, and worldviews of Eastern European Jews, as they lived in Europe and in the places they settled — has a crucial role to play in our world today.

Our Game Night and Havdalah

About a dozen of us gathered at the home of Tom Green and Debby Seid for havdalah, pizza and game night. We learned a couple of new games - and it got pretty raucous!

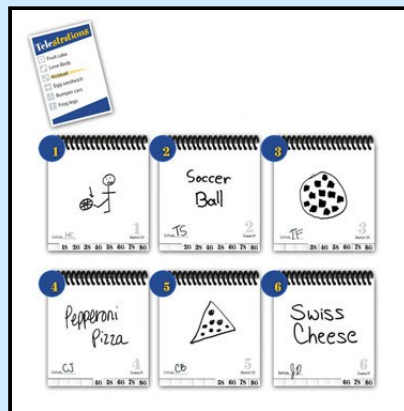
Thanks to the King family for bringing games and to Debby and Tom for lending their home.

The Fun Games We Played....

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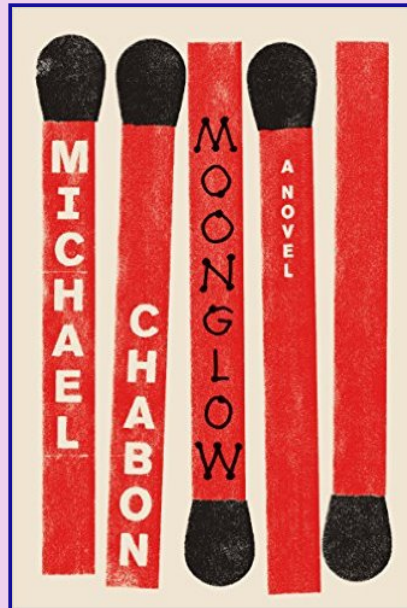
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Jewish LearningWorks' One Bay One Book Program

Each year, Jewish LearningWorks' One Bay One Book program provides opportunities for community members to read and discuss a selected book.

We are thrilled to announce that the [book](#) selected for One Bay One Book for 2016-2017 is [Moonglow](#), the new novel by Pulitzer Prize-winner Michael Chabon. Chabon's previous books include The Mysteries of Pittsburgh, Wonder Boys, The Amazing Adventures of Kavalier & Clay, Summerland, The Final Solution, The Yiddish Policemen's Union, Gentlemen of the Road, and Telegraph Avenue.



Bay Area residents will have several opportunities to hear Chabon speak about [Moonglow](#):

Tuesday, Nov. 29, 7 p.m., at the Jewish Community Center of San Francisco, 3200 California St. (www.jccsf.org)

Wednesday, Dec. 14, 7 p.m., at Diesel, A Bookstore, 5433 College Ave., Oakland (www.dieselbookstore.com)

Thursday, Dec. 15, 7 p.m., at Bookshop Santa Cruz at Peace Church, 900 High St, Santa Cruz(www.bookshopsantacruz.com)

Friday, Dec. 16, 7 p.m., at Rakestraw Books, 3 Railroad Ave., Danville (www.rakestrawbooks.com)

Saturday, Dec. 17, 4 p.m., at Book Passage, 51 Tamal Vista Blvd., Corte Madera (www.bookpassage.com)



SAVE THE DATES

East Bay International Jewish Film Festival

2017 in Livermore - March 2nd and March 5th, 2017

The Tri-Valley Cultural Jews will again be co-sponsoring the East Bay International Jewish Film Festival movies that will be shown at the **Vine Theater in Livermore** in **March 2017**. Dates and movies are listed below. **Please save the dates. More information will come out in February about this.**

Thur, March 2: ***REMEMBER***, a winning drama from Canada starring Christopher Plummer and Martin Landau

Sun. March 5: **Afternoon around 4:15 PM**--Middle school-friendly through adults, ***ABULELE***, an Israeli fantasy drama about a friendly monster who appears to children experiencing a life crisis. Excellent, thought-provoking film. 4th grade through adults. Hebrew with subtitles

Sun. March 5: 7:00 PM: ***FANNY's JOURNEY***--French film about a 13 year-old girl who must, despite her age, lead her group of "orphans" to safety in Switzerland when their courier, a man from the resistance, is captured by the SS. 7th grade through adults. French with subtitles.

More information will come out closer to the date regarding coordination of dinner on Sunday, March 5th, between the two movies.

Stay tuned!



**Carol King -
We wish
you a
speedy
recovery.**

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In December we

remember:

Celia Zuckerman
Charles Zuckerman
Alice Calder
Sue Greenblum
Yossi Seid
Irving Shapiro
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***Happy
December birthdays to:***

Ella King
Manda Pepper
Scott Pepper



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