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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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TVCJ Community News

B'Nai Mitzvah **Celebrating Colin and Alexander**

Host: Tri-Valley Cultural Jews 650-296-5295

Date: Saturday June 1st, 2019

Time: 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Place: Veterans Memorial Building, 522 South L Street, Livermore CA 94550

All members are welcome to come and celebrate this event with Colin and Alex and their families. **Please bring a dessert to share.**

Annual meeting and Shavuos

Date: Sunday, June 9th, 2019

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

Place: Bothwell Arts Center 2466 8th Street Livermore, CA 94550

Cost: Donation: \$10 per non-member adult (charges only apply to adults 13 years and older)

Please join us for Shavous where we share books we read and enjoyed this past year and share dairy treats. Bring the kids...they can share books, have lunch and play at the park.

Members and prospective members: Please stay after for our Annual Meeting to add your voice to our planning of upcoming events, learn about our by-laws, vote on our board for the coming year...(each member household gets one vote)

Have lunch on us... and bring a dairy treat to share and your book.

Potluck Havdalah & Game Night

Hosts: Debby Seid and Tom Green (650) 759-5353

Date: Saturday June 15th, 2019

Time: 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Place: 795 Meadowlark Street, Livermore CA 94551

Costs: \$2.00 per member, and \$4.00 for non-members (charges only apply to adults 13 years and older)

Please bring a dish for potluck dinner and a favorite game to play!

TVCJ Library

Did you know that TVCJ has a library? It is small, but interesting. We just received a DVD of "GI Jews: Jewish Americans in World War II. It's an hour and a half long and tells the story of the over-half-million Jews who fought Hitler, even though there was Jew-hatred in our own military. There are interviews with Mel Brooks, Henry Kissinger and Carl Reiner, among others. All our library holdings are available to members of TVCJ. If you would like to borrow this DVD or want to know more about our library, then please contact Judith Seid at judithseid@aol.com .

Jewish Culture School (JCS)



Our younger [Jewish Culture School](#) class is learning about the shtetl and they are dancing "Patch Tantz" which is a dance that was done in the shtetl.

Lag B'Omer

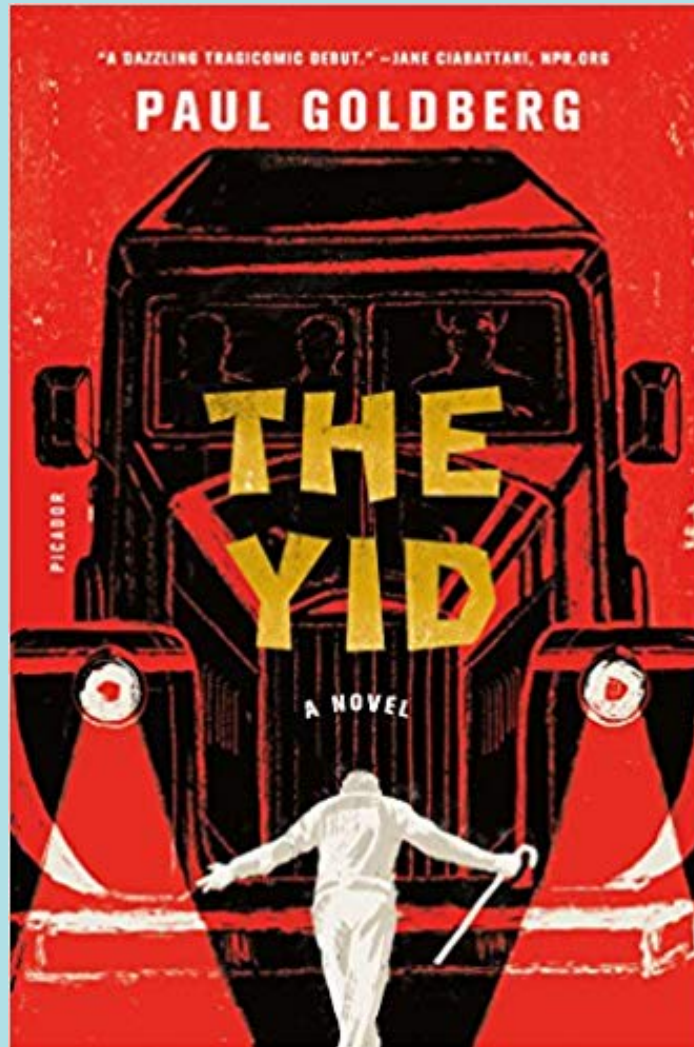
We celebrated Lag B'omer this year with a potluck brunch and games. The weather broke just long enough for us to hold our traditional watermelon toss. Thank you to Karen and Joy for help with planning and set-up of the event and to Ira for taking photos.



BOOK REVIEW

THE YID

By
Paul Goldberg



This book is a historical novel set in Russia in the 1940's and 1950's. It starts when Russia government soldiers try to arrest our main character, who is an army veteran and actor in the old Jewish Theater. After this failed attempt he assembles a small group of characters that concoct a plot to assassinate Stalin.

The group consists of a former machine gunner in the Red Army who becomes a prominent surgeon, an African American who came to the USSR to build smelters and became an engineer, and a young lady who had a score to settle. They all speak English, Yiddish and Russian. (Translations follow immediately) This unlikely group, along with some other interesting characters, carry out their plot with violent as well as humorous consequences.

I found the book interesting, but somewhat confusing because at times it changes between their actual words and the lines in a Shakespearean play that they are acting out simultaneously. You can purchase this book on Amazon by [clicking on this](#)

[link.](#)

Reviewed by Jerry Zwick



Interfaith Connect June Religion Chat

Topic: WHAT DOES YOUR FAITH DO TO MAKE THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE?

Speakers: Dr. Farhad Sabetan from the Baha'i community and Ferial Masry from the Muslim community.

Date: June 12th, 2019

Time: Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Program 6:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m.

At 7:15 p.m. volunteers will be available to take attendees on an optional tour of the fascinating Hindu Temple.

Place: Hindu Community and Cultural Center, 1232 Arrowhead Ave., Livermore

Cost: FREE, All are welcome.

Parking is available on the Center grounds.

Jewish Folk Chorus Concert Old World Made New Songs of the Yiddish Stage and Street

Date: Sunday, June 23rd, 2019

Time: 2:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Place: Jewish Community High School of the Bay, 1835 Ellis Street, San Francisco

Our 93rd Annual Concert features music from across the spectrum of Jewish history and geography, and includes songs in Yiddish, Hebrew, Ladino, Russian and even a bit English. Lyrics and translations will be provided.

[ADVANCE Tickets Click Here:](#) \$13.00

General admission \$16.00 at the door

Seniors, Students & People w/a Disability: \$14.00 at the door

More Information: 510-533-3903

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San Francisco Bay Area Jewish Genealogical Society

Topic: Bring Your Own Brick Wall: One on One Help with Your Family Tree

Facilitators: Experienced SFBAJGS Genealogists

Date: Sunday, June 24th, 2019

Time: 7:30p.m.

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

Cost: FREE

Light kosher refreshments will be served. Meetings are free and everyone interested is welcome to attend. For more information visit

<http://www.sfbajgs.org/>.

Who We Are



In June We Remember:

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John Mogul



Happy June Birthdays:

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