

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

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### Tea Time Readers:

HAMILTON by Ron Chernow

Wednesday, November 9th at the home of Jackie Bullock, 1:00p.m. RSVP with [shoshanasue43@yahoo.com](mailto:shoshanasue43@yahoo.com)

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### Sequoia Hadassah November Class:

**JEWISH AUTHORS WITH JOYCE PENN MOSER.** Thurs., November 10th Kol-Emeth 10:30 - Noon

We will explore the works of **S. ANSKY**, AUTHOR and PLAYWRIGHT. He traveled to many communities pre-WORLD WAR I looking for folktales and then used them in his stories. He is best known for his play **THE DYBBUK**. He was polemicist and cultural and political activist as well.

**JOYCE PENN MOSER** brings us her vast knowledge of Jewish writers, past and present for the 9th year. Come learn and join the discussion. - Donation to Hadassah \$15

Contact Leah: [leahkbernstein@gmail.com](mailto:leahkbernstein@gmail.com) for the pdf's of the stories we will discuss.

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### THURSDAY NIGHT LOCAL AUTHOR'S SERIES

Sequoia Hadassah is Proud to Present Author Tracy Guzemann

Thursday, November 17, 2016 7:30P.M.

Location: First Republic on the corner of San Antonio and Second Street. (Enter through side door on Second Street) RSVP appreciated but not required. - [SequoiaChapterRSVP@hadassah.org](mailto:SequoiaChapterRSVP@hadassah.org)

Minimum donation \$5.00. For more information, contact Eileen Dunn 650/380-1384

Engage in a conversation with Tracy Guzeman about her first novel, "*The Gravity of Birds*." This complex novel is part psychological drama, part mystery, and part love story... a tale of warring sisters, a missing work of art, and the journey taken by two men charged with finding a painting, and returning it to its rightful owner. But it's also a story of how the past tends to unravel the present

Tracy Guzeman's debut novel, *The Gravity of Birds*, was published by Simon & Schuster in 2013, with translation rights sold in eleven other countries. Her short fiction has been published in *Vestal Review*, *Glimmer Train*, and *Gulf Coast*, where her story, "Einstein," received honorable mention for the Donald Barthelme Prize for Short Prose. She was a featured author for the 2014 Twitter Fiction Festival, and is a Pushcart Prize nominee. Her work has been performed by both *Stories on Stage* and the *New Short Fiction Series*. She is currently working on her second novel.



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### Evening Book Group:

THE SPINOZA PROBLEM by Irvin Yalom

Monday, December 12th at the home of Sharoan Jeung, 7:30p.m. RSVP with [shoshanasue43@yahoo.com](mailto:shoshanasue43@yahoo.com)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

### JNF TREE CERTIFICATES AND HADASSAH CERTIFICATES

#### In honor of

Mazel Tov to Janice and Bernie Rosen on their 65th wedding anniversary  
Jack Adler and Betty Denenberg Adler  
the engagement of Rachel and Julian  
the engagement of Alison and Yoni  
the birth of Leib Chaim Lubianker  
Andrea, Steve, Simon and David Linder

#### In memory of

Seymour Alpert  
Jack Adler and Betty Denenberg Adler  
Jackie Berman  
Jack Adler and Betty Denenberg Adler  
Marilyn Cohen Krachmer  
Lois P. Blank  
Myldred Mann's beloved daughter  
Bobbie and Jerry Waggar

Susan Marx  
Toby and Ron Kaye  
Shirley Geffner  
Bea and Ed Prorock  
Harry Recht  
Andrea, Steve, Simon and  
David Linder



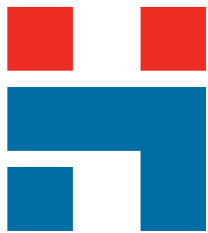
### DEAR SEQUOIA CHAPTER MEMBERS,

As you may be aware, National Hadassah now requires that all chapters send messages through National Hadassah's own e-mail system. For security purposes, Chapters must stop using third-party e-mail providers such as YahooGroups.

All Sequoia Chapter e-mails (including our newsletter The Bulletin) are now coming to you through National Hadassah's e-mail system. Messages sent by our chapter should say "Hadassah Sequoia Chapter" in the From line of the message.

**If you are not receiving messages from Hadassah Sequoia Chapter, please contact National Hadassah:** send an e-mail message to [Membership@Hadassah.org](mailto:Membership@Hadassah.org) with copy to me at [jkossack2001@yahoo.com](mailto:jkossack2001@yahoo.com). **Be sure to include the following in the body of your message:** your full name, street address, current e-mail address, Sequoia chapter membership, Hadassah member number (if you have it). **In addition, please** be sure to note that you want to receive Hadassah e-mail. **All of these items are needed** to ensure that Hadassah e-mail goes to the correct person at the correct e-mail address.

Thank you for helping us keep in touch with you.  
- Julia Kossack, Sequoia Chapter VP Communications



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CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

**Board Meeting:** Board meeting is on December 13th (due to a conflict with Hanukkah Party), at 7:30PM. The location remains the same: Moldaw Senior Residences - 899 Charleston Ave., Palo Alto. All are welcome.

## ANNUAL HANUKKAH PARTY & CHAPTER AWARDS LUNCHEON

Join us to celebrate Hanukkah with musical entertainment by Linda Mankin and Harry Rubinchik, great food and raffle.

TUESDAY,  
DECEMBER 6TH

Location: Michael's Shoreline  
Shoreline Park, Mountain View

Time: 11:30 - 2:00PM  
Cost: \$36 per person

**PLEASE JOIN US TO HONOR OUR AWARDEE'S FOR 2016**

- Women of the Year, 2016: Lois Blank
- Chapter Leadership Award: Eileen Dunn
- Hospitality Award: Dora Cohn
- Joint Chapter Award: Dafna Mizrahi
- Most Creative New Member: Tali Alon

## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2017 AWARDEES

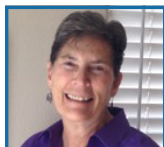


Woman of the Year

**LOIS BLANK** comes to Hadassah from Houston, TX. The minute she opens her mouth and you hear that great Texas drawl, you know she wasn't born in CA! After graduation from the University of Texas, Lois taught English in Houston before moving to CA. Teaching jobs were scarce in the golden state so she eventually became a technical writer.

Lois, coming from a family that supports Hadassah and its goals, joined Hadassah in 2004. Jumping right in, she started volunteering and has been invaluable with her writing and editing skills ever since.

For many years, Lois has been active in many ways: she was our Recording Secretary for 9 years, co-chair of our Book Review Luncheons, and always has volunteered at our annual Donor Luncheon (now our annual Hanukkah Party) not only as a worker but also as a very chic model. Since 2016, Lois is doing a great job as our VP of Membership. Just this past year Lois started the Lunch Bunch with Zell Friedling and turned it over to Eileen Dunn and Carol Kwiatek. She is also co-chairing the 2017 Calendar Book. In addition to Hadassah, Lois volunteers at the Jewish, Family and Children's Services working with two-year-olds. Lois takes great pride in her daughter, Sharla, who is now a professor of anthropology at Washburn University in Topeka, KS.



Chapter Leadership Award

**EILEEN DUNN** moved to the Bay Area in 1977 from New York City after teaching Spanish in a middle school for seven years. She then enjoyed a career in advertising after which she returned to the world of education until her retirement in 2013. Eileen began searching for meaningful volunteer opportunities about a year later. She met Lois Blank while volunteering with toddlers at Parents Place, and Lois invited her to join Hadassah.

Within a few months, Lois asked Eileen to coordinate the chapter's monthly Lunch Bunch events along with Carolyn Kwiatek. Eileen regularly attends Sequoia Hadassah events and is a continuing volunteer for various projects.

Eileen enjoys reading, theater, films, volunteering, spending time at the ocean, and dining and chatting with friends.