



Only in Vegas

By
Helene Stadler

Religious School students of Temple Beth Sholom who celebrate their birthdays during the month of December, will participate in a special ceremony during religious services on Friday evening, December 6, which has been designated by the Temple as "Birthday Sabbath."

Celebrants include: Deborah Bogin, Alan Chenin, Lori Chenin, Karen Cohen, Lawrence Epstein, Alan Fitzhugh, Evan Hornsby, Candra Martin, Morris Raizin, Adam Reisman, Ruth Ritter, Tedd Rosenstein, Les Shapiro, Renalee Shnairson, Abbi Silver, Dawn Stofsky, Lori Susman, Roberta Venger, Bonnie Week, Anthony Weisman, Andy Zinman, Tamara Zivot.

Any singles in town that want to know about Singles activities, please call Joe Behar, President, 642-7604 (24 hours).

"Praised be thou O Lord, our God, ruler of the world, who has sanctified us by thy commandments and bidden us to kindle the Hanukkah lights."

These words will be recited by the Jewish people over the world as the eight-day ancient festival of Hanukkah begins at sundown, December 8th. Locally, over Channel 10, "Hanukkah," airing Saturday night, December 7th at 10 p.m. will examine the traditional service and celebration of this centuries-old holiday.

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER NEWS

BY STEVE HERMAN

Center Director, John Farrell, has announced that the Center is now in the process of setting up a "Center Hall of Champions." The Hall of Champions would contain top record holders in all of the Center sponsored activities including basketball, baseball, track, etc. The Hall of Champions would also contain photos of the Center champion teams over the past few years.

This week's all tournament champion for the Afternoon Center is Betsy Fine. She won in girls knock-hockey and second in overall competition. Mark Dolak was our overall champion in the boy's division. Both Mark and Betsy win free ticket to the matinees at one of the local theatres.

Our high school basketball team is holding their practices on Friday afternoons at 3:30 and on Sunday nights at 8:00. Practices for the other Center teams of all ages began this week, and if you have not already signed up the final deadline is December 10th.

The Center cheer-leading program also began their first meetings and practices this week. You can cheer for our elementary, junior high, or high school teams. Contact the Center for next week's meeting dates.

Our flag football teams have started out on the rough side of



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things. Our elementary team has lost to Sunrise Acres, 21-0, and then showed some improvement dropping a 21-12 game to St. Johns. Standouts for the team so far include Don Sherman, Mike Stein, Kenny Kreisler, Mark Reinhardt, and Doug Rubin. Our junior high team dropped their opener to St. Johns, 12-0 after inching up to the goal line twice but not able to score. The Center flag football teams, though, have qualified for the city championship tourney which will be held on December 18th.

Congratulations to John Farrell, who has been appointed commissioner of the Basketball Congress International. The Center will host a regional BCI tournament in March with the winner of this tournament going to the national finals in Phoenix, Arizona.

HEBREW LANGUAGE AT UNLV

Kindle the Shabbat Candles

How's your Hebrew? That may be a pointless question for most people, but for the students in Dr. Graziani's Hebrew III class at UNLV, the answer is "great." That Hebrew class, now in its first semester, has been a real success. The 52 registered students think it is a worthwhile addition to the UNLV curriculum. Most of these students have expressed a desire to continue for a second semester or even for several years, hoping for such new courses as Hebrew literature, or a history and culture of the Hebrew Language and writings.

The reasons given for taking a language like Hebrew ranged from ethnic backgrounds, to Bible research to

geology studies; some just thought it was an interesting language. Because of student and community interest,

Because of Holiday rush, Post Office asks you mail packages before December 10 and cards and letters before December 15.

Donations to Salvation Army may be sent to Box 1289, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101.

Garside and Fremont Night Gyms will be the sites of the Las Vegas Recreation Department's Free Ski Conditioning Workshops. 386-6386.

The first annual Clark County Championship Kidney Foundation of Nevada Golf Classic is underway at 13 participating golf courses in the Las Vegas area. It is a two-person partner best-ball, low net, men and women divisions contest. Entry fee is \$15, tax deductible, and payable to the Kidney Foundation of Nevada. The finals on December 8th.

The Las Vegas Recreation Department's Junior Symphony Orchestra will perform in concert Saturday, December 7th and Sunday, December 8th, 2:00 p.m. at the Reed Whipple Cultural Arts Center, 821 Las Vegas Boulevard North. 386-6386.

The Las Vegas Recreation Department opens registration for a unique six week session in scenic painting and design, Saturday December 7th, 9:00 - Noon at the Reed Whipple Cultural Arts Center, 821 Las Vegas Boulevard North. 386-6386.

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Israelite Ads Pay

Hebrew will be offered again next semester; Hebrew 113 (beginning) and Hebrew 114 (second semester). Further information will be available at the registrar's office.

Dr. Graziani, who is principal of Temple Beth Sholom Religious School, uses the audio-visual and audio-lingual methods in his class. The alphabet is taught by conversation, introducing the language by stressing the skills of "lisprew" techniques, i.e., listening and speaking before reading and writing. This represents a fundamental change in type of foreign-language methodology. Hebrew pedagogues, like most foreign language instructors, emphasized the basic reading

approach because they sought to prepare students to read the great classics as well as the more recent literary works in Hebrew.

The new methods and the new approach to foreign language instruction are a logical result of the principles of linguistics and of psychology which have been formulated for many years. The ability to speak modern Hebrew is stressed throughout the course. Also the language lab is used to help the students. The progress and enthusiasm of the students has been most gratifying.

Congratulations to the language department for this new and enriching addition to the curriculum, and Shalom!

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