

## Temple Beth-Am Sisterhood News

Temple Beth-Am Sisterhood Membership luncheon at Montara Meadows was a great success. They had a fashion show, senior square dancers, door prizes and raffle's. The food was great and many thanks to all who helped make this a very successful event. They were Exec. Vice President Tobe Daum (chairman), Evelyn Pillischer (membership), and to all the other members of the Sisterhood. New members were guests of the Sisterhood.

At the last meeting President Frances K. Copeland gave the annual report.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, June 9 at 11:30 at the Center for Religion and Life. This meeting will be the last of the season.

June 25 at 1:00 p.m. will be the board meeting for the Sisterhood, also at the Center for Religion and Life.

Our booth at Israel Independence Day was also a great success. Many thanks to all who worked on this event.

## Fourth International Candlelight Memorial Set For May 25, 1987



Aid for AIDS of Nevada (AFAN) will be participating in the Fourth International Candlelight Memorial in support of people with AIDS (acquired immune deficiency syndrome) on Monday, May 25, 1987. It has been organized internationally by the San Francisco based Mobilization Against AIDS Organization.

A candle-lighting ceremony will take place on the steps of the Federal Building located at 300 Las Vegas Blvd., South at 8:00 p.m. on May 25th.

Everyone in the community is invited to participate in this memorial program. Communities in approximately 100 cities and on all six inhabited continents will be holding similar ceremonies on that date.

AFAN is a non-profit support organization for people with AIDS, ARC (AIDS-related complex) and their families. AFAN provides information to the entire community on this deadly disease in an effort to stop its spread through education.

State and local dignitaries are being invited to join in this worldwide effort to remember those who have died and to help prevent others from following the same path by becoming educated.

For more information about AFAN and/or the candlelighting ceremony, call 369-6162.

## Britain Claims There Is Not Enough Proof Of Waldheim's Wartime Activities To Bar Him From Visiting The UK

LONDON (JTA) — Britain considers unproved the allegations that President Kurt Waldheim of Austria was involved in Nazi atrocities during World War II and sees no reason to bar him from visiting the United Kingdom, a Foreign Office spokesman said.

The British position clashed with the decision by the U.S. Justice Department, announced in Washington recently, to bar Waldheim from entering the U.S. in private capacity because "a prima facie case of excludability exists" based on evidence of Waldheim's activities as a Wehrmacht officer in the Balkans during the war.

Commenting on the Justice Department's move, the Foreign Office official said "British policy remains that the allegation against Dr. Waldheim have not been proved. As a democratically elected head of a friendly state he would be afforded formal courtesies."

The official said he was unaware of plans to invite Waldheim to Britain but he also knew of no plans to place Waldheim in a category which would prevent him from visiting there in private capacity.

Canada also has no plans to officially ban entry of Waldheim, according to a report from Ottawa. But Prime Minister Brian Mulroney told reporters that Waldheim would not be welcome. It was not clear whether Mulroney was enunciating his government's policy or simply expressing an opinion in reply to a question.

### Waldheim Challenges U.S. Decision

In Vienna, meanwhile, Waldheim personally challenged the Justice Department's findings in a television and radio address broadcast Tuesday night to the Austrian nation. "I have a clear conscience," he said. "Believe me, otherwise myself, my wife and my kids would not have been able to live through the weeks and months of accusations and allegations," he said.

Waldheim has admitted that for 40 years -- 10 of which he served as Secretary General of the

United Nations -- he had falsified the record of his military service, claiming to have been discharged from the German army in 1941 for a disability. In fact, he served as an intelligence officer in the Balkans.

During his campaign for the Austrian Presidency last summer, researchers for the World Jewish Congress discovered a file in the United Nations War Crimes Commission archive that charged Waldheim with "murder" and "putting hostages to death." He was on a "wanted list" of war criminals in Yugoslavia after the war.

In his broadcast, Waldheim said his predecessor, former President Rudolf Kirchschläger, had reviewed all of the documents held against him and found no reason for charging him with war crimes. "Please let me stress that there is no proof of guilt," Waldheim said. He said he has ordered a "White Book" on his past to be researched and published in the near future. Waldheim stressed that after the war he had worked for peace, first as an Austrian diplomat and later at the United Nations. As to the allegation that he was involved in the execution of hostages in Yugoslavia, Waldheim reminded his audience "in all modesty" that he had helped free hostages, including the American Embassy hostages held in Iran in 1979-80.

"I have always intervened for human rights. I demand the right not to be charged without proof," Waldheim said.

Regarding his military past, Waldheim said, "I do not want to minimize what all those (people) had to live through who were thrown into that horrible war scenario. It has been the fate of my generation and we will bear it for all our lives, namely the knowledge of the horror of war and the determination to work for peace for the future."

### Spiritual Thought For The Week

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