Resident to Resident

Gerry Winerman Traces Family History to 1600s

By Carol Keochekian

A life adventure began in 1978 for Gerry Winerman when she began a genealogical search of her family. It all started when her second son started school full time, and she had spare time to fill. At the same time, she bought a pedigree dog which had a family history longer than she knew about her own family. As a result, she spent 25 years studying, lecturing and teaching genealogy for the Family History Library (part of the Mormon Library in Los Angeles) and the Jewish Genealogical Society of Los Angeles.

Based on her research and personal findings, Gerry wrote articles for the Jewish Genealogical Society. She also served as president of the 500-member organization from 1980 to 1982. She continued to teach classes and would take the students to the Family History Library so they could research their own families. During this period, Gerry and members of her classes attended several conferences on genealogy in Salt Lake City, Los Angeles, and New York. She also hosted several gatherings for her newly found family members.

Gerry's research determined that she was a descendent of the Mendoza family, originally from the Seville area in southern Spain. The Jews of Spain had a very good life during the Golden Era (eighth-twelfth century), said Gerry. However, in 1492, the day that Christopher Columbus sailed, the Inquisition took place in Spain. This signaled the exodus of Jews to Italy, Greece and the Ottoman Empire. The Jews who remained were generally more affluent and had much to lose by leaving. They outwardly converted to Christianity, but covertly retained their Judaism. They were called Marranos.

In 1688, Gerry's seventh great grandfather, David Mendoza, left Seville at age 22 to go to Amsterdam, Holland. There he converted back to Judaism, was circumcised, and his family remained in Holland about 50 years.



In 1290, all Jews had been expelled from England. In 1655, Oliver Cromwell signed a pact with the Jewish Community of Amsterdam, allowing Jews back into England. In 1657 the Mendozas went to England for economic reasons. They worshipped and married there in the synagogue they helped to build. Between 1844 and 1848, some Mendoza descendants immigrated to America. Most of the family stayed in England, but others immigrated to Australia, New Zealand and South Africa.

Gerry discovered some 5,000 relatives, including her husband, Jerry's, relatives, while doing research. She also found her father's first cousin, Harry Mendoza of Australia, while checking Family Finder, a research tool. He said she must come to visit him – he was in his mid-80s and travelling to the United States was too difficult for him. The Winermans flew to Australia and cousin Harry filled them in on his recent family history. While there, Gerry gave lectures on genealogy to audiences in Sydney and Melbourne.

Prior to moving to University Village, Gerry and Jerry, lived in Sherman Oaks for 52 years. Their sons both have families: Larry lives in Newbury Park with his wife Giulia and their daughters, Sara and Erica; Dan, and his wife, Farah, live in New York City with their son, Lionel.



Village View



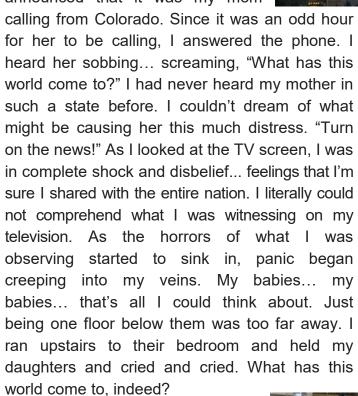
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PATRIOT DAY

By Holly Butler (Reprinted from September 2019)

Where were you on the morning of September 11, 2001? Like me, I'm sure you will never forget. I was tired...a 2 ½ year-old and 3-month-old will have that effect on you. It was about 6:00 in the morning in Los Angeles and my phone was ringing. All I wanted to do was sleep, but my caller ID announced that it was my mom



In the wake of that tragic day, President George W. Bush proclaimed September 11, 2002 as the first Patriot Day in the United States of America. Many Americans refer to Patriot Day as 9/11 or September 11.



Patriot Day is an annual observance on September 11 to remember those who were injured or died during the terrorist attacks in the United States on that infamous day in 2001.

In 2005 we took our (now three) daughters to Pepperdine University on Patriot Day to see the awe inspiring installation of 2,977 flags

representing the lives lost on 9/11. The

memories of that
September morning
flooded back as I
watched our little girls
twirling around the
flagpoles and running
up, then rolling down



the grassy hills. Emotions are certainly mixed when you hear the laughter of children in such a somber setting. Proof that life must go on as we honor the fallen.

Ten years later we took our girls to NYC and visited One World Trade Center and Freedom Tower. The memorial was truly something to behold. By now our daughters were old enough to know what had happened and why

this memorial was built. As I watched my "big girls," memories of that early morning, holding my babies and crying, came flooding back once again. This time I was able to hold my three daughters and talk to them about love, freedom, and remembrance.

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Monday	7:30 Rabbit Walk (RD) 8:30 Pickle Ball (TC) 10:15 Mobility & Strengthening with Dario (CH) 12:15 Balance I (CH) 1:00 Pinochle (LR) 1:00 Balance II (CH) 2:00 Tai Chi with Kimiko (CH) 8:30 Water Aerobics (Pool)	AC Arts and Crafts Roc BBC Bocce Ball Court BBQ Barbeque Area BD Board Room BR Balboa Room CE Clubhouse Entranc CH Catalina Hall	(GV 3rd Floor) GR Garden Room LH Library Hallway LR Laguna Room	MCT Mt. Clef Terrace RD Reception Desk SBL Santa Barbara Lounge (MV 2nd Floor) SHR Sherwood Lounge (LV 3rd Floor) SRL Santa Rosa Lounge (GV 2nd Floor) TC Tennis Courts	No Window Shoppe Today Photo Club Display Begins (MCT) 9:00 Tech Class with Pat (BD) RSVP: Activities, 3026 10:30 Tech Class with Pat (BD) RSVP: Activities, 3026 11:00 Bible Study (LR) 2:30 Photo Club Presentation (CH)	11:30 Excursion: A Picnic in the Park! 1:00 Watercolor Art Class (AC) Pre-registration required, 2924 3:00 Point of View (BD) 3:00 Paul Lenderman (BR) "Red Flags in the Grief Process" Date Change	No Shabbat Today 9:00 Men's Club Board (BD) 10:30-12:30 Window Shoppe Sale (MV 320) 11:00 Activities Comm. (BR) 1:45 Piano Serenade with Mark (MCT)	No Window Shoppe Donations Today 11:30 Wake Up Your Brain (BR)
Tuesday	9:15 Hatha Yoga with Deirdre (CH) 10:00 Needle Crafters Club (AC) 10:15 Fit-Tastic with Dario (CH) 11:30 Cardio-Fit with Jeri (CH) 1:00 Poker (MCT) 1:30 Hand and Foot Card Game (LR) 1:30 Mexican Trains (MCT) 2:00 Beginners French Class (BD) Limit 6 4:00 Advanced French Class (BD) Limit 6	2:00 Sunday Movie (CH) The Founder (Rated PG-13) 5:00 Vespers with Rev. Curtis Lowe (CH)	No Fitness Classes Today No Resident Council Mtg. Today No History Lecture Series Today Alexandria House Donation Drive Begins (RD) 10:00 Literary Club (Zoom)	No Getting to Know You Today No Food & Beverage Mtg. Today 1:30 Movie Club (AC) 1:30 Resident Council (LR) Date Change 2:00 Geological Wonders Lecture Series (BR) 3:00 Art Club (AC) Date Change	9:00 Tech Class with Pat (BD) RSVP: Activities, 3026 10:30 Tech Class with Pat (BD) RSVP: Activities, 3026 11:00 Bible Study (LR)	9:00 Men's Current Events (LR) 10:00 Excursion: William Rolland Gallery of Fine Art 2:30 Alexandria House Presentation (CH) 4:30 M.E.A.T. Dinner (MD)	1 10:00 Food & Beverage Comm. (LR) Date Change 11:00 Astronomy Lecture Series (BR) 2:00 Town Hall (CH/1390)	9/11 Flag Tribute (Campus Drive) 9/11 Photo display (MCT) 11:30 Wake Up Your Brain (BR)
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