## Introduce Yourself

## What's Your Story?

Hi, I'm Helene Korn. I'm married to my always supportive husband Barry. We have two adult children, Lisa and Adam and together we're the grandparents of five. Lisa and her husband, Mark, are currently living in Lima, Peru. Mark is in the Foreign Service and gets posted all over the world. We visit them where ever they are living. We LOVE to travel! Our son, Adam, his wife Shari and their two children live in the San Fernando Valley and we get to see them often. Thank goodness!



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I'm a retired teacher having taught elementary school for 38 years. When I said that my husband is very supportive it's also because we joked that in our ketubah I made sure it said that he had to help me move my classroom supplies whenever it was necessary. He's such a great guy.

I really, really love teaching, so it was just a natural turn of events to become a mah jongg teacher. I teach adults to play this game, a fun exercise for the mind. I also play twice a week.

As a hobby I enjoy weaving and spinning and I'm a member of two weaving guilds. I mainly spin silk and wool which I can then use in my weaving or knitting projects. I just finished a woven tapestry which was inspired by Miriam's Song. I'm also the current president of the West L.A. chapter of the Pomegranate Guild, a Judaic needlework organization.

Barry and I are long-time members of Temple Isaiah. We both sing in the choir, I've been on the board of trustees, am active with Isaiah Women and we mentor high school students as part of Temple Isaiah's Roots and Wings program. We are regular Friday night service attendees and go to Torah study on Saturday mornings.

A few things you wouldn't know about me is that I love roller coasters, spicy foods (I carry chili flakes in my purse), drove with a friend from Los Angeles to Panama (at age 23), and both my husband and I were scuba divers when we met. We also still go camping three or four times a year. And yes, we sleep in a tent.