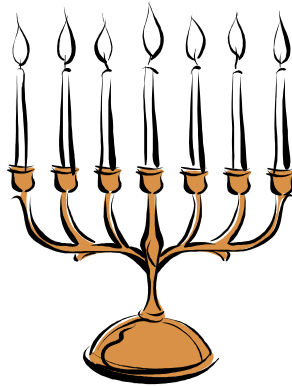
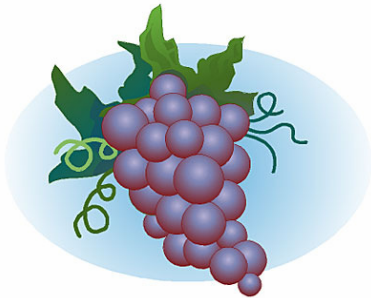


The Shpiel

Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation

February 2018 / Shevat 5778



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Meeting Schedules (details on later pages)

FRIDAY NITE SERVICES – February 9th at 7:30 pm in the Sun Lakes Chapel.

BOARD MEETING – Thursday, February 8th, 4:00 pm in Chapel Center

If you wish to be on the agenda, please call Wende Levy @ 301-503-1047.

RITUAL COMMITTEE MEETING – Meeting February 6th at 11 am in Chapel Center.

MEN'S CLUB – Meeting February 6th in the Chapel Center at 6:30 pm; the East Valley School of Music will make a presentation about their school, accompanied by piano and guitar.

SISTERHOOD – Card Party Monday, February 12 at 10:00 am in the Oakwood Ballroom.

Doors open at 9:00 am. Fill out Card on page 13.

**HAVURAH CHAI – Chai Anniversary Dinner at Floridino's on February 11th,
plus Dessert Sing Along at Ellie's**

**SHALOM HADASSAH – Meeting February 20th at 11:30 am at the East Valley JCC,
followed by Buffet Luncheon for \$16.**

DVORAH HADASSAH – Events February 7th, 21st, and 23rd (see page 16)

JWV Post 619 – Meeting February 18th at 9:30 am, Mirror Room, Sun Lakes Country Club.

Ritual Schedule for 5778 (2018)

February	9 -- Shabbat Service – Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class Participation -----	7:30 pm
March	9 -- Shabbat Service – Honoring Our Choir, Celebrating Purim -----	7:30 pm
April	13 -- Shabbat Service – Holocaust Remembrance and Lighting of Candles ----- (Candles will be available to light by the congregation beginning at 6:30 pm)	7:00 pm
May	11 -- Shabbat Service – Celebrating Shevuot and Mother's Day -----	7:30 pm
June	8 -- Healing Service – Celebrating Father's Day -----	7:30 pm

All services are held in the Sun Lakes Chapel.

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Message from Our Rabbi

Change is Difficult

To say the least – change is difficult, nearly impossible at times. We humans are creatures of habit. What is more we need to romanticize the past. As if to say, “Ah, those were the good old days.” Our past is glamorized for any number of reasons; not least of which is we were, of course, younger. Things were new and exciting, and in most cases, being younger meant we were also healthier. Our past reminds us of a time when life was not yet revealed. As we get older, our dreams tend to fade into the reality that this is now our life. We come to grips with the realization that some of our earlier ambitions will forever go unfulfilled.

What is true for an individual is often true for a community. One of the portions of Scripture that we read is entitled “B’Shalach –to go or be sent,” illustrates this point; the People of Israel have been escorted out of Egypt by God. They have witnessed firsthand the ten plagues inflicted upon the Egyptians that eventually freed them from their captivity. While in the desert on their journey to freedom, to a new land, and a new beginning, they were protected by God with a “pillar of cloud” during the day and a “pillar of fire” at night. The rabbinic tradition has affectionately labeled them “Dor Midbar” – the generation of the desert – the generation that has witnessed God’s presence in the most intimate way imaginable, from the Exodus to Mt. Sinai and beyond. In spite of all that they have witnessed, the Israelites’ yearnings for life as they once knew it in the “fleshpots” of Egypt overpower them. The People comprised of a group of individuals cannot wait to return to their familiar, safe, enslaved lifestyle.

When the opportunity for change confronts the Israelites, a change that will only enhance their lives and national standing, they romanticize their past, as unbearable as it was, and they object to the change. So after having witnessed the most amazing miracles one could possibly imagine, the Israelites complain bitterly to Moses saying: “Were there no graves in Egypt that we were taken to die in the desert? What have you done to us by taking us out of Egypt?” At this point in the narrative one has to feel sorry for God. No matter what God does is insufficient. God’s human subjects constantly refuse to be swayed.

Some of us can identify with the reluctance to make changes. The unknown is a daunting proposition. It is easier for most of us to travel the familiar route through life. Slavery may be lousy, but at least our next meal was guaranteed. Honestly, with all our twenty-first century sensibilities, are we any different? We know how hard it is to change, because we see it in ourselves. Bad habits and destructive behavior constantly repeat themselves. Bad relationships continue because we enslave ourselves into thinking they will one day improve. Our work may be terribly stressful, even painful, but it pays the bills. Change is one of life’s constants. We, like our ancient forbearers, are caught between two inseparable tensions in life: constancy and change. The unknown of the future entices us while at the same time scares us.

The Midrash (the writings that interprets our texts) accurately points out that all new beginnings are difficult. The People of Israel are on their way to a new beginning. They, like us, resist change because change is painful. Is it not ironic that moving is considered one of the most stressful things a person or family can do. The Torah – Scripture – in its subtle way is teaching us that lesson. But it is also

teaching us that amid all the change endemic to life is God. That the creator of this changing world we inhabit is our only true constant. That was a difficult lesson learned by the generation of the desert. It is an equally difficult lesson learned by our own generation today.

As we get older, perhaps we should remember that change is necessary for continuation, not stagnation. If we stayed the same – well, there certainly would be no excitement or anticipation. So, now, more than ever, we need to adjust our thinking to accommodate all the change we can absorb – not run away from them as our ancestors tried to do. Don't say: "Why can't they – our children and grandchildren – be like us?" Do we really want that for them or do we want them to grow and develop into what they can be for themselves?

That is the lesson of growth and evolution Scripture endeavors to translate for us. And for sure, it is the path we should be involved with in these later years of our life. We connect because of comfort and we expand those relationships because, as Scripture reminds us, there is no future without change.

Remembrance: Chapel Memorial Plaques

There are times established for us to remember loved ones. It is a time to recount the good times and the bad times that were the sum total of their journey here on Earth. Our remembrance will ensure immortality for all whom we love and miss. The time I refer to is designated as Yahrzeits. We light a candle, think about what was, and hope that the flame that burns will remain with us for all time, even as it eventually extinguishes.

Life is like that candle as it illuminates the path to tomorrow. When the flame disappears there is no darkness. Rather, there is the continuing search for light – the light of eternal peace – the light of eternal reward – the light that leads to oneness with God.

Each person remembered came to us through the generosity of a loving God. Precious moments were shared and fond memories are the legacies we inherited. Each life was precious, filled with dreams and frustrations, hopes and despair.

Death helps us understand creation. We are born, we live, we learn, we endure, and then we are no more. But we are reborn again in a thought, a happening, and for sure, in the reward waiting for all of us.

We think of love and warmth, strength and stability. We think of voids that are left, but we are encouraged because we know that while we could no longer hold on, God has reached out to caress our pain.

We have the capacity to rekindle the flame of pleasant remembrances, of laughter and joyous occasions so that the memories of our loved ones will remain a blessing.

How? By erecting a Memorial Plaque in the lobby of the Chapel. It is our rendition of Yahrzeit Tablets that we are familiar with when participating our former respective congregations.

How fortunate we are to be able to enter the Chapel each time we have religious services or celebrations and gaze upon the names of our loved ones. How fortunate we are to be able to affix the names of the memories we hold in a place that will ensure their perpetuity.

Perhaps, as you receive a Yahrzeit reminder from the congregation, you would consider this act of goodness that will immortalize our ancestors. Additionally, it is a most blessed way of supporting our congregation as well.

Each new Memorial Tablet affixed to the Memorial Board will be dedicated at our Shabbat services.

Rabbi Irwin Wiener, D.D.

Winter Adult Education Classes with the Rabbi

Once again Rabbi Wiener will be leading our congregation in a series of inspiring Torah classes this fall. This is a wonderful opportunity to hear and learn first hand information that will bring thoughtful information to everyone. You will come away with a feeling of fulfillment and inspiration.

ALL are WELCOME: Please make a quick call to Gail at 480-802-1832 with any questions or to reserve a place for you and your friends. We look forward to hearing from you.

Each class will be held Tuesdays in the Chapel Center from 1:00 – 2:30 pm on February 6th, 13th, and 27th.

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SLJC Adult B'not Mitzvah Class



Pictured from left to right: Wendy Goldstein, Marcia Gurian, Cantor Ronda, Gail Dante, Rabbi, Ann Baum, Barbara Ganz, Gail Scheck. Missing are Victoria Gindick and Judy Elias.

Bar and Bat Mitzvah Information

We are proud to offer Bar and Bat Mitzvah ceremonies both for youngsters and adults. For information regarding the procedures for commemorating this milestone, please contact the Rabbi at 623-640-5913 or ravyitz@cox.net. The procedures and requirements are listed in the November 2017 Shpiel available on the congregation website SLJC.org.

Calling All Gabbai Candidates!!

If you would like to participate in performing a great Mitzvah as Gabbai when we read the Torah, please contact the Rabbi. This is available to anyone and includes prior instruction. When you participate, you will also be able to observe the turning of the Torah to the appropriate chapter for reading that evening.

Jewish Programming on DirecTV

Channel 388 on DirecTV is the Jewish Broadcasting Service (JBS), which presents a wide range of Jewish entertainment and education throughout the day. For example, a complete musical Shabbat Service is broadcast Fridays at 3PM from the Central Synagogue in New York City, and news from Israel is broadcast daily at 3PM, except for Friday when it is 2PM. During Chanukah, there were multiple special music programs like the award-winning “a cappella” group Maccabeats. Check it out.

President's Message

Please join us for our February Service. This service will be the culmination of the year-long study by our Adult B'not Mitzvah Class. Members of the class will participate in many sections of this special service. Please join us at the Oneg following services as we continue to celebrate this special event. Congratulations to each Bat Mitzvah on her accomplishment.

The first SLJC Yiddish Class was held in January. The class is being taught by Rabbi Wiener. The first assignment was to bring a sentence to the 2nd class. It has been fun and enlightening to learn the meaning and pronunciation of words and phrases heard during childhood by our grandparents and parents.

Part of the success of SLJC is our volunteers. At our January Service we honored SaraRuth Rossow for her years of service to SLJC both on the Ritual Committee and our services throughout the year. We thank her for her tireless support and dedication to SLJC.

SLJC is looking for volunteers for several committees. If you are interested in chairing a committee or activity or being part of either please contact me via e-mail at WLevy@his.com or at 301-503-1047.

If you have a little time, ideas of programs or events you would like to see please contact me at Wende@his.com or via telephone at 301-503-1047.

The next Board meeting will be on February 8th. Board meetings are open to the congregation. If you have anything you would like discussed at the meeting please contact me in advance so it can be put on the agenda and time can be put aside for discussion.

January Board Meeting Decisions

1. Guidelines for e-blasts have been developed and will be circulated to committee and event leaders by Wende Levy.
2. A tear-off form will be developed and added to the yahrzeit letter to clarify for whom the yahrzeit is being remembered.
3. Donations will be expanded to include:
 - a. Kever Avot Books
 - b. Book of Esther
4. A list of individual items needed by SLJC will be finalized and put on the WEB SITE for individuals who are seeking donation opportunities.

Wende Levy, President

Cantorial Notes: A Brief History of Women in the American Cantorate

The SLJC Sisterhood was kind enough to invite me to speak at their January meeting. A topic of interest to them was the history of women in the American Cantorate. What follows is a portion of the discussion I had with the sisterhood as I thought the whole congregation might enjoy the subject.

A Brief History of Women Cantors

Presented by Cantor Ronda Polesky for the SLJC Sisterhood, January 2018

The Yiddish American theater began gaining popularity at the end of the 19th century. During this time, Jewish women were starring in dramatic productions and singing Jewish songs that included liturgical music as well as popular music with a Jewish or spiritual significance. One such artist was Sophie Karp who introduced the newly composed “Eli, Eli” (My God, My God), which was written especially for her but gained such immense popularity that many other renowned singers performed this ballad. In the early twentieth century, Jewish women performers continued to gain prominence in musical and vaudeville productions by singing Yiddish folk songs and special prayers like “Kol Nidre” and Sabbath zemirot (melodies). We also began to see Jewish female composers arise at that time.



As Jewish women singers became more prominent in American life, it became difficult for strictly observant Jews to abide by the concept of isolating ‘kol ishah’ (a woman’s voice). By the 1930s, except for Orthodox shuls, women were sitting with men and intoned the prayers with the congregation. Women were also featured singers with the choir and often sang the solos.

In 1955, a child named Betty Robbins persuaded her cantor to allow her to sing in the boys’ choir. She was later appointed Cantor of Temple Avodah in Oceanside, New York and was thought to be the first woman cantor of record. Hebrew Union College’s School of Sacred Music was established in 1947 as the first training school for cantors in this country. It preceded the acceptance of women rabbis which didn’t occur until 1968.

Barbara Otsfeld-Horowitz became the first woman cantor ordained at Hebrew Union College in 1975. She had grown up admiring the rabbis and cantors in her home town and had felt drawn to ministerial work. Although no woman before her had attempted to apply for cantorial ordination, she never the less applied and was accepted. There she studied both traditional and reform liturgical music services. Upon her twentieth anniversary at a pulpit in Buffalo, NY she remarked “Women cantors have altered the way in which prayer is offered, heard, and received.”

Today we know of one other pioneer whose name, prior to 2014, had been lost to history. On September 19, 1884, Julie Rosewald began her tenure at Temple Emanu-El in San Francisco, California. When this was discovered it marked what we now know is the first female cantor in American history. Rosewald had been an acclaimed opera star and descended from a line of cantors including her father and grandfather who were hazzans in Germany. Her mother sent her to the United States in 1865 and began performing with her sister and soon-to-be husband. Rosewald and her husband made their way to San Francisco in their later years due to the temperate climate and relatively large Jewish population. Although her intention was to open a music conservatory, when the local cantor who had been serving the primary reform synagogue in the city died, Rosewald was asked to step in. She continued to serve the congregation for 9 years until her retirement.

Today women comprise more than half of the ordained cantors graduating from Hebrew Union College and even more are being invested and certified in other schools of sacred music around the country. I’m grateful to these pioneering women whose shoulders I stand upon today.

B’Shalom, Cantor Ronda

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CONGREGATION NEWS

IN MEMORIAM

It is with great sadness that we mourn the loss of our member:

Allan Elias, husband of Judy. His funeral was held in Minneapolis.

We sympathize with our member Paula Lewis on the recent loss of her sister, Nancy Skolnick.

THANK YOU

I would like to thank my family and friends for their Get Wishes cards, phone calls, and the tremendous amount of help given to me during my recent hospital stays and long recuperation at home. Receiving phone calls, offering words of encouragement, and knowing that people cared helped me so much both physically and emotionally. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. Colette Goldstein

My sincere thanks to all of my Sun Lake Friends who thought of me during the loss of my Dear Brother, Alexander Katcher. Fondly, Marcia Weiner and family.

Thank you to Rabbi Wiener and fellow congregants for the cards, emails and phone calls. Your expression of good wishes and prayers for healing are very much appreciated. Ron and Victoria Gindick.

THE CARING/BEREAVEMENT COMMITTEE

The Caring Committee functions as a liaison between the Congregation and Rabbi to insure that notifications are made on behalf of anyone who is ill or in need. Privacy and discretion are important and observed at the congregant's request.

If you find out that a congregant is ill, in need of care, or has passed away please contact Committee Chairperson Shirley Shalett at tieman11@q.com or 480-883-9159. Rabbi Wiener is also always available as is SLJC President Wende Levy. Or you may contact a committee member listed below. This committee works hard to help in the time of need. They are: Wende Levy, Diane Silverman, Jeff Spear, Marilyn Koss, Carol Biales, Jan Cohen, Mireille Kaplan, Geri Gould, Joyce Spantonos, Doris Codkind, Rita Solko, Mark Nelinson, Sara Ruth Rossow, Lana Oyer, Lainy Sardina, Al Bloom, Michael Kaplan, Michael Dar, Bety Dar, and Edd Shalett.

In order to have a card sent to a congregant on behalf of Sisterhood in the event of an illness or hospitalization, or for a happy event like the birth of a grandchild, contact Marilyn Koss at 940-1916, or e-mail marilynjoe@cox.net.

MEMORIAL BOARD – A non-member Memorial Board is in the lobby of our chapel. Many of you have already placed plates there to honor and remember your loved ones. The wording for these plates is limited to 5 lines of type, and the cost for each plate is \$75.00, payable to SLJC. Any questions regarding this board, please contact SaraRuth at 883-1791.

SERVICE HONORS – Anyone wishing to have an honor in any upcoming service, call Shelly Henden at 480-895-8851.

PASSOVER SECOND SEDER

Saturday, March 31st marks the night of the second Seder of Passover. The Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation welcomes all to join us in a meaningful and fun Seder experience, led by our Rabbi Irwin Wiener and Cantor Ronda Polesky. Children/grandchildren are encouraged to join us – prizes to all affikomen hunters!

The cost of the Seder is \$32 per adult, and \$12 per child. No charge for children ages 3 and under.

The Seder will be held **in Palo Verde Country Club, in Sun Lakes**. Contact **Susie Shapiro** for reservations @ **(480)580-1592**. If you have a seating preference, or are planning to form a table, please advise on the reservation form below (also found on the **sljc.org** website).

We look forward to sharing the Passover holiday with you!



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**STARTING AT 5:30 PM (DOORS OPEN AT 5:00 PM)
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Reservation Form

Names	Brisket	Chicken	Vegetarian

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Sisterhood

Calling all players of Mah Jongg, Bridge, Canasta, Scrabble and lots more! The Annual Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation Sisterhood Card Party will take place on Monday, February 12 at 10:00 A.M. in the Oakwood Ballroom. Doors open at 9:00 A.M. The \$30 entry fee includes a delicious new and improved buffet lunch. There will be the signature gift baskets, raffles, and the tantalizing treats at the bake sale. Please write your check for \$30.00 per player to SLJC Sisterhood and mail to Geri Gould at 24529 S. Lakeway Circle SW, Sun Lakes, AZ 85248. Please limit lunch seating to groups of five and indicate what game your group will play. For reservations or questions call Geri at 480-305-0123. Be sure to RSVP by February 2 because this charitable event is always very well attended.



ANNUAL CARD PARTY

Monday, February 12, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.

Doors open at 9:00 a.m.

Oakwood Country Club

Sponsored by Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation Sisterhood

\$30.00 entry fee includes a delicious buffet lunch.

For reservations or questions call Geri at 480-305-0123.

**Don't forget about our signature raffle baskets and the tantalizing
treats at our bake sale !**

Names of players: (Please include a contact phone #/e-mail for one member of the group. Reservations deadline is February 2nd.

Game to be played: _____

**Please make your check for \$30.00 per player to SLJC SISTERHOOD, and mail to Geri Gould at
+024529 S. Lakeway Circle SW, Sun Lakes, AZ 85248. Please limit lunch seating to groups of five.**

You must provide your own game. No shufflers please!

Friends of Israel

Thanks to everyone who attended and participated in Sunday's panel of IDF Veterans. This program was the 2018 kick-off to the 70th Anniversary of Israel's birth and a celebration of its thriving success and growing stature on the international stage. Watch for more opportunities to participate in this important milestone for Israel and the world's Jewish population.

Our next speaker's event will be held on April 8, 2018. The speaker is Karolyn Benger. She is currently the director of Jewish Community Relations Council of Greater Phoenix. A historian with academic credentials, she will speak about a comparison between Judaism and Islam over the centuries up to the present time. The political implications of this long co-existence will also be discussed. Please save the date.

Lone Soldier Project

The Lone Soldier Project has received and accepted an invitation to become one of the programs of the East Valley Jewish Community Center. This opportunity has occurred because of the incredible success of the project at Sun Lake Jewish Congregation. This success is due to the support by both the congregation leadership and members for all aspects of the project. Many thanks.

These new arrangement will allow the project to grow, reach a much broader population and therefore generate more support for Lone Soldiers. Michael Cohen will remain chair of the project and the committee will retain all of its involvement other than the management of donations.

Donation options will continue and be used in the same manner as now. Instead of sending personal care package from Chandler, the items will be purchased, packaged and delivered in Israel. Donor cards will accompany all packages. Home knitted winter hats are still very much needed. Letter writing campaigns will continue in all venues that are available to the project. A Hanukkah greeting effort will be expanding to include all congregations in the East Valley.

We sincerely hope that the amazing support by SLJC congregants will continue. We personally thank everyone who has helped the project achieve wonderful success and will keep you aware of our future activities. With much gratitude, we move on!



Jewish War Veterans (JWV)



The members of Post 619 Jewish War Veterans in Sun Lakes will be meeting on February 18 at 9:30 a.m. in the Mirror Room of the Sun Lakes Country Club. The board meets each month and contributes to many Veterans causes. For reservations for the brunch that precedes the meeting, please call Glenda Warshaw 480-802-7847 or email desertglen1@aol.com.

Men's Club

The SLJC Men's Club is a social group that meets the first Tuesday of the month at the Chapel Center at 6:30PM for socializing and refreshments, followed by a stimulating speaker at 7PM. Wives and prospective members are welcome to attend our monthly meetings. The members of the club also gather periodically for lunch to try interesting local restaurants, as well as outings to places of interest. Please join us to experience fellowship with a welcoming group of men. For more information contact Al Bloom [480-895-8120](tel:480-895-8120) or albeenov@gmail.com

At our February 6 Meeting The East Valley School of Music will make a presentation about their school accompanied by piano and guitar. Spouses and grandchildren are welcome to attend this fun evening. On February 22 we have a luncheon at Tao Garden Chinese restaurant.

Havurah Chai Welcomes Jewish Singles

Friendship is truly an extraordinary gift. Friendship is not about whom you have known the longest. It's about who walked in to your life and said, "I'm here for you". Havurah Chai is beginning it's 3rd year and if you are a Jewish Single, come check us out and meet another friend.

HAVURAH CHAI EVENTS

- Feb. 11 Chai Anniversary Dinner Floridino's/Dessert Sing Along at Ellie's
- Mar. 17 Barleen's Musical Review with Lunch
- Apr. TBA Zao Theater "12 Angry Jurors" Comedy
- Apr. 24 New England Cruise

We have car pooling to events. Come to a Shabbat Service the 2nd Friday of the month and join us at our Havurah Chai table at the Oneg after services. If you would like more information please Email: Lainy Sardina at: lainysardina@gmail.com

East Valley JCC

The East Valley JCC is offering programs for adults including Jewish Life and Living, Terrific Tuesdays, Jewish Philosophy and Health and Wellness activities. Please look on the EVJCC at <http://www.evjcc.org/> for further information or you may contact the EVJCC at 480-897-0588.




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February 18th
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Shalom Chapter of Hadassah

Join Shalom Hadassah as we explore “Family History & Memoir Writing” with Marilyn Janson, an author & writing coach, at our February Meeting. The meeting will be held on February 20 at the East Valley JCC, 908 N. Alma School Rd in Chandler, and will begin at 11:30 am. A buffet lunch, which includes Quiche, Quinoa Salad, Garden Salad, Garlic Bread Sticks, Cookies, Iced Tea & Coffee will be served. Reservations are required and due by February 15. Cost is \$16.00 payable to Shalom Hadassah. Checks should be mailed to Marsha Levine, 3805 E County Down Drive, Chandler AZ 85249. Your check is your reservation. We look forward to seeing you there.

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the trip to Hale Theatre on Friday, February 16 has been cancelled.

Devorah Chapter of Hadassah

Devorah Hadassah meets every other month on the first Wednesday of the month at the JCC in Chandler. Our members live in Chandler, Gilbert, Tempe, Mesa, Ahwatukee, Sun Lakes and Casa Grande. Besides our fund raising activities, we have an out to lunch on the first Wednesday of every month (it follows our meetings when the meetings occur). We also have a Flick Chicks Special Interest Group and a Ladies Literary Special Interest Group. We welcome anyone who is looking for a connection with other Jewish women. For more information, contact devorah.hadassah@gmail.com.

Wednesday, February 7, 2018: Out to Lunch TBD Contact Marcia Gurian

Wednesday, February 21, 2018: Dinner Fundraiser, California Pizza Kitchen, Chandler Mall.

Contact is Wendy Goldstein

Friday, February 23, 2018: Chick Flicks TBD Contact Barbara Ganz


Something You Might Not Know – Carol Klein (from Murray Siegel)


When our ancestors reached the shores of the U.S. they were hopeful of realizing the American dream, if not for themselves then for their children and grandchildren. Carol Joan Klein was born in a middle-class neighborhood in Brooklyn in 1942. Her parents were the children of immigrants, who hoped their daughter would realize the American dream.

At age four, Carol could play the piano by ear. Soon she found an all-encompassing interest in music. While at James Madison H.S., she formed a girl group and named it the “Co-sines” after a word she found in her algebra/trig text. She went to Queens College where she dated Neil Sedaka, whose 1959 hit “Oh! Carol” was about her. She met Gerry Goffin at Queens and they were married in a Jewish ceremony on Long Island.

They were a song-writing team, with Gerry writing the lyrics and Carol the melody. Their first big hit was “Will You Love Me Tomorrow” by the Shirelles, the first #1 hit by a black girl singing group. The Goffins quickly had two daughters and the girls’ babysitter was Eva Boyd, who, as Little Eva, recorded their song “Locomotion”. In 1968, Carol and Gerry divorced and she moved to California to pursue a singing career. In 1971 she produced an album which eventually sold more than 25,000,000 copies.

Carol was elected to the Songwriters’ and Rock and Roll Halls of Fame. She was the first female to receive the Gershwin Prize and was a Kennedy Center Honoree in 2015. She was awarded a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. Obviously, Carol Joan Klein realized the American dream to a maximal extent, yet you say that you never heard of her. Perhaps it would help to know that Carol changed her name to Carole King while still in high school. A Jewish girl from Brooklyn became an American icon.




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2	Arleen Forgang
2	Linda Wasserman
3	Ron Kollman
3	Martin Segal
10	Samuel Abramson
11	Marc Israel
11	Martha Lubeach
12	Marsha Levine
13	Roxanne Banta
14	Joy Dolin
15	Betsey Silverman
16	Diana Nelinson
16	Ruth Ostreicher-Weber
17	Ronald Codkind
18	Ellen Fineberg
18	Len Schulman
20	Ruth Friedman
20	Renee Politi
20	Judi Primack
21	Eleanor Miller
21	Joan Nieman
21	Susan Reeves
21	Suzy Ziegler
22	Carol Sherter
25	Harvey Weiner
26	Nancy Stutman
29	Nessa Memberg



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14	Anita & Sander Frindell
14	Deanna & Melvyn Mintz
17	Deborah & Marc Israel
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 DAVID KORNETSKY
 HARRIET KRUGER
 SADIE LAZARUS
 BARRETT LAZARUS

February Yahrzeits

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 ROSE MOHR
 MOLLIE MOISE
 SAMUEL P. MOISE
 GERALDINE NELINSON
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 SADIE ROTH
 MARILYN RUSSELL



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