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Celebrating Presidents' Day





Honoring the Father of our Country and the Savior of our Union

All meetings are held in the Chapel Center unless otherwise noted.

SLJC February 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 6:30-8 pm: Men's Club Meeting	2 I:30-3:30 pm: Devorah Hadassah Out to Lunch (Location TBA)	3 4-6 pm: SLJC Board of Directors Meeting (Zoom)	4	5
6	7	8 Brooklyn V's Fundraiser 9:30-10:30 am: Sisterhood Board Meeting (Zoom) 4 pm: Shabbat service taping open to the congregation	9 11:30 am: Havurah Chai Lunch (Palo Verde Restaurant) 1:30-2:30 pm: Devorah Hadassah Literary Ladies (Zoom)	10	7-9 pm: Shabbat Service (YouTube)	12
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RABBI IRWIN WIENER, D.D.



Our Beginnings

We just completed a multitude of celebrations, from Thanksgiving to Hanukkah to New Year. And now, as we settle into a somewhat normal routine, we enter the month of February.

As an aside, how many know how the names of

the months originated? Well, here goes:

- January named after the Roman god of beginnings and endings, Janus.
- February named after the old Italian god Februs symbolizing purification.
- March first month of the Roman year and named after the Roman god of war Mars.
- April originally called Aperire, to open, because of the time of the year when buds begin to open.
- May the third month of the Roman calendar and derives from the word Maiesta, the Roman goddess of honor and reverence.

I think you get the idea. Many of the traditions and customs we enjoy today had their origin in ancient festivals and observances. Time has made changes during which we have new understandings of life and all that is involved in the journey.

Which leads me back into the month of February. The only holiday listed on our calendar is Presidents' Day. Traditionally there were two holidays – sequentially they commemorate the birthdays of Abraham Lincoln, the great emancipator, and the other, George Washington, the father of our nation.

Somewhere in time great minds got together and decided to combine the two holidays and save us the ordeal of two retail sale days. The true meaning of the

celebrations is lost in the notion that shopping was the proper way to acknowledge these two icons of American history.

These two giants contributed to our development as a nation:

Abraham Lincoln kept us together as a nation by ultimately abolishing the stain of slavery from the fabric of our soul and reminded us that this nation was founded with the understanding that all men were created equal.

George Washington ensured our survival as a nation by determination to help break the shackles of ingratitude and arrogance as displayed by King George of England.

America is still the hope of the world as it was then. The message that was transmitted by a few courageous people reverberated around the world and is responsible, to this day, for millions of people being free. And we are a beacon to those yet wishing to taste liberty and independence. The lamp at the doorway to America is lit for all to see, for all to enjoy, for all to steer a path to its glow.

So, as we visit the malls and rummage through the newspapers looking for the coupons of the day, or even think about the origins of the names of the month, remember that it is possible because of these two men: their dreams and their courage and their ability to motivate and encourage others to rally to their banner of hope.

God bless America. God bless the memory of Abraham Lincoln, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson and

SLIC FUNDRAISER

Brooklyn V's Pizza, Chandler-Based Restaurant Tuesday, February 8: Lunch, Dinner, Take-Out

Support SLIC by dining with Brooklyn V's Pizza! If you plan on eating at a restaurant location, please tell the waiter that you are members of SLJC before you order. If you order take-out for pickup, call the number of the restaurant branch you order from and mention that you are a member of SLJC. If you order take-out through a delivery service, please mention that this is a fundraiser for SLJC. (Note: They have a lot more food options in addition to pizza! Check out their menu at brooklynvspizza.com.)



Brooklyn V's Pizza has two restaurant locations in Chandler:

Next to Harkins Theater 2990 E. Germann Rd. Ste #2 Phone: (480) 758-4040

In the Promenade at Fulton Ranch 4991 S. Alma School Rd., #12 Phone: (480) 572-1247

UPDATES TO THE MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

Please note these new additions to our SLJC Membership Directory:



- Sheila Asroff | 10310 E. Arrowvale Dr., Sun Lakes | (480) 656-0180
- Linda Blank | 25640 S. Howard Dr., Sun Lakes | (803) 609-4271
- Laura Blumberg | 4873 Mosley Dr., Chandler 85249 | (480) 540-3876
- Harold & Ellen Fineberg | 4496 E. Rakestraw Dr., Gilbert 85298 | (480) 284-7655
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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

SHELLY HENDEN



Thanks to Our Volunteers

There is not much to write about this month so I will be brief. Thank you for understanding that with the surge of the new variant, the decision of the Board and Clergy chose to resort to taping our services and as reported, it will be a

month-to-month decision moving forward. It was a joy to see so many of you for the High Holidays and for Rabbi Wiener's 85th birthday in December. Let's pray that we can get back to a full sanctuary sooner rather than later.

I would like to thank the following members for taking on responsibilities. Their active participation is crucial for our congregation to flourish.

- Helene Zimmerman VP and Zoom coordinator
- Wendy Feldman-Kerr Treasurer
- Geoff Garber Recording Secretary
- Carol Biales

Corresponding Secretary & Co-President Sisterhood

- Jeff Spear, Marty Levine, Al Bloom, Edd Shalett Men's Club
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And lastly, an important reminder as to how you can help support our congregation financially. If you shop at Amazon Smile or Fry's Grocery, PLEASE sign up with their web sites and we will get a contribution from them every time you make a purchase. It's quick and easy. Contact Linda Brooks for information.

Also, if you pay state taxes to Arizona, you are eligible for a direct credit to your tax bill. It is of no cost to you and the congregation will directly benefit. It's quick and easy. Contact Michael Cohen for further details. By the way, it's not too late to do so for your 2021 tax submission.

And if you can help secure an ad for the Shpiel from a favorite business, contact me.

Stay safe and healthy, and may 2022 bring better days and renewed hope. 24

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As you can see from the headlines at left, messages can be very misleading by the choice of words. These misrepresentations occur often in the US and international media. If you read a suspicious headline or article, you can clarify the truth on these websites: Honest Reporting or CAMERA (Committee For Accuracy in Middle East Reporting).

For a list of reliable resources to read about Israel, prepared by our last speaker, Ginette Weiner, call me at (480) 895-4660 or mwcohen000@gmail.com.

HAVURAH CHAI JEWISH SINGLES GROUP

Upcoming Meeting: Wednesday, February 9, 11:30 pm, Palo Verde Restaurant, Sun Lakes

If G-D is gifting us extra years, who are we NOT to use that gift? Go on; open your gift and live it to the fullest the best you can!

Chai is going to start moving and grooving. Get ready to have some fun while you are making new friends. Remember that every door that opens is leading to another good open door.

On Wednesday, February 9 we will have lunch at the Palo Verde Restaurant, located at 10801 E San Tan Blvd., Sun Lakes. This will be a very special lunch where each Chai Member is invited to bring a prospective member. We are excited to make new friends and have fun! That is what we are all about as we come into our 7th year.

Remember, we are always invited to the SLJC Temple on the 2nd Friday night of the month for Shabbat. If



you are new to the area or visiting, you are sincerely welcome to attend the service.

For more information about Havurah Chai, please contact Lainy Sardina at (480) 895-0974 or lainysardina@gmail.com.

Looking forward to meeting new friends!

SOMETHING YOU MIGHT NOT KNOW

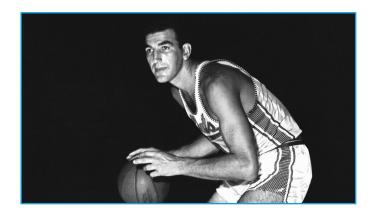
DOLPH SCHAYES

By Murray Siegel

When the National Basketball Association (NBA) announced the list of the top 50 NBA players of all time, even the most casual fans recognized the names of Michael Jordan, Magic Johnson and Larry Bird. Many had two questions about one name on that list: "Why was Dolph Schayes included?" and "What kind of name is Dolph?"

At birth, in 1928, Dolph's name was Adolph, but in the 1930s Adolph was not a proper name for a lewish boy. Dolph was born in The Bronx to parents who were Romanian-Jewish immigrants, and he grew up tall, athletic and smart. He led his high school team to a championship and went on the play at New York University, He entered NYU at age 16 in their aeronautical engineering program. He helped the Violets to the championship game of the 1945 NCAA Tournament, was voted an All American and received his engineering degree.

He joined the Syracuse Nationals of the NBA (now the Philadelphia 76ers) and played in a record 706

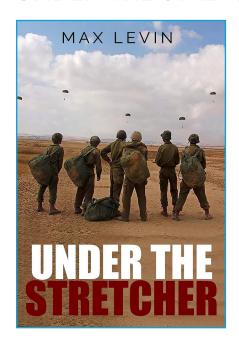


consecutive games. He was the first player to score a total of 15,000 points and led Syracuse to the NBA championship in 1954-55. After retiring, he coached in the Maccabiah Games, leading the U.S. to a gold medal in an upset in 1977.

Dolph passed his athletic talent on to following generations. His son, Danny, played 18 seasons in the NBA, his three granddaughters were outstanding volleyball players, and his grandson was a top sprinter. Dolph died in December 2015, at the age of 87.

LONE SOLDIER PROJECT

UNDER THE STRETCHER BY MAX LEVIN



When Los Angeles native Max Levin, in an elite Paratrooper Unit, was severely wounded during Operation Protective Edge in the 2014 conflict between Israel and Gaza, he began keeping a journal on his phone while in the hospital. His note became a book published in March 2021 by Red Penguin Books, a vivid and accessible memoir about a young Jewish- American's experience as a Lone Soldier — one of the "determined young men and women from all over the world who choose to leave the comfort of their homes and families to become proud IDF soldiers."

In an excerpt from his book, he wrote, "The shots kept coming and we couldn't pin down the source. We had our weapons drawn, but we could not shoot blindly into the area we just came from; other Israeli soldiers were still in the area, and God forbid we hit them. Then the tanks rolled in and let out a smokescreen. As I crawled behind the tank, I could hear "pop-pop" as the sniper's bullets bounced off it."



SLJC Annual Community Seder

Saturday, April 16, 2022 Palo Verde Country Club Doors open at 5 PM \$50 per adult \$20 per child ages 5 to 12 Children under 5 - free

Choice of Brisket * Chicken * Vegetarian

Make all checks payable to SLJC and send to Wendy Goldstein BY April 1,2022 24031 S Lakeway Circle NW, Sun Lakes, AZ 85248 Please tear off and return with check

By April 1, 2022

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		Total \$			

JEWISH WAR VETERANS COPPER STATE POST 619

JWV WELCOMES CHANDLER JUNIOR ROTC MASTER SARGENT FRED DRIVER

Sunday, February 20, 10 am, Zoom

Jewish War Veterans (JWV) Copper State Post 619 welcomes Master Sergeant Fred Driver of the Junior ROTC program at Hamilton High School in Chandler. Since 2003, Driver has been teaching the Aerospace Science and leading the Junior ROTC program there, including honor guards, honorary graduates, and until recently, the "Adopt a Highway" program, when a lack of funding caused issues.

Post 619 has in turn come to the aid of the ROTC program in years past. When the program lacked funds to procure drill rifles, the Post purchased several to ensure our drill team could compete in an upcoming event. When the Air Force authorized battle uniforms for cadets, they didn't authorize additional funding resulting in a need for boots. Post 619 then purchased 15 pairs of boots for the unit.

MSgt. Driver will discuss what the Junior ROTC program is and isn't, including their mission statement, and National and Community responsibility. He will also discuss the Jewish War Veterans tie in and JROTC support for funerals, graduation escorts, honor guards, speaking engagements and the former "Adopt A Highway" program.

The February meeting will be held virtually. Everyone is welcome to attend by signing into Zoom on Sunday, February 20 at 10 am using the link: https://bit.ly/jwv-feb

For additional information about JWV activities or membership, please contact Jr. Vice Commander, Elliott Reiss, (480) 802-3281, ElliottBarb@q.com.



Department of the Southwest Wreath, December 7th Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day Ceremony, Phoenix, Arizona

Left to Right: Patron Ruth Kelter; Patron Judy Wolin; Lou Kelter, Phoenix, AZ, Department of the Southwest NEC; Alan Paley, National Commander; Charles Wolin, Sun Lakes, AZ, Commander Post 619

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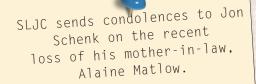
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Please submit Bulletin Board posting requests to Geri Gould at gerijim@hotmail.com.

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 16, 1 p.m. Chapel Center (masks required)

SLJC has started a support group for anyone wanting emotional support dealing with grief. If you have lost someone beloved in your life (i.e. spouse, partner, parent, sibling, child, grandchild, friend), you may be interested in hearing the stories, thoughts, feelings experienced by others and sharing your own feelings. This group might also be useful for those who are in a state of limbo: with a partner who is not living at home and for whom there is little hope that they will return home.

The next meeting of the group will be held Wednesday, February 16 at 1 p.m. at the Chapel Center. Masks are required. During this meeting, the group will decide on a convenient regular meeting time and place for future gatherings.



SLJC Donation Form (please print clearly)

Please accept this contribution to the following fund, in honor/memory of:

Fund: ☐ Chapel ☐ Family Fund	☐ Flower ☐ Music ☐ Oneg ☐ Silverman ☐ Torah ☐ Technology
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Minimum donation of \$10* please. Minimum contribution to the Flower Fund is \$50. *Minimum donation of \$10 per person being remembered/honored.







ANNUAL CARD PART

Monday, April 11, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.

Doors open at 9:00 a.m.

Please note the new location is at COTTONWOOD COUNTRY CLUB

Sponsored by Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation Sisterhood \$40.00 Entry Fee includes a delicious buffet lunch.

And don't forget about our Signature Raffle Baskets and Tantalizing Treats at our Bake Sale! For reservations or questions call Geri at 480-305-0123.

Hey Men! How about getting together a poker or pinochle table.

Names of Players: (Please include a contact	ct phone #/e-mail for one member of the group.)
Reservation deadline is January 31st.	
	Game:
Contact #/e-mail:	

Please make your check for \$40.00 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.

You must provide your own game. NO SHUFFLERS PLEASE!

FEBRUARY CELEBRATIONS

ANNIVERSARIES — kol hakavod — to a great year ahead together!

14 Sander & Anita Frindell

15 Darrell & Norma Owens

17 Marc & Deborah Israel

19 Tzvi & Gina Caplan 19 Paula & Milton Lewis

BIRTHDAYS — mazel tov — another year older and another year wiser!

1 Jeff Berke

1 Nessa Memberg

2 Arleene Forgang

2 Linda Wasserman

10 Samuel Abramson

11 Marc Israel

12 Marsha Levine

13 Roxanne Banta

15 Betsey Silverman

16 Diana Nelinson

17 Ronald Codkind

18 Ellen Fineberg

18 Len Schulman

20 Ruth Friedman

21 Eleanor Miller

21 Susan Reeves

21 Suzy Ziegler

25 Harvey Weiner

26 Joan Silver

26 Nancy Stutman

FEBRUARY YAHRZEITS

Zichronam livrachah — may their memories be a blessing.

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Shiela Berger Florence Berger

Sheila Berger Donald M. Brill

Ida Gilbert Brodsky

William Buchsbaum

Marjorie Buchsbaum

Charles Clift

Essie Cohen Louis Cohen

Robert Dubinsky

Constance Dunayer

John Elias

Woody Fabert

Allan Richard Feldman

Benjamin Fischer

Shirley Fray

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Augusta Friedman Maurice Gerson

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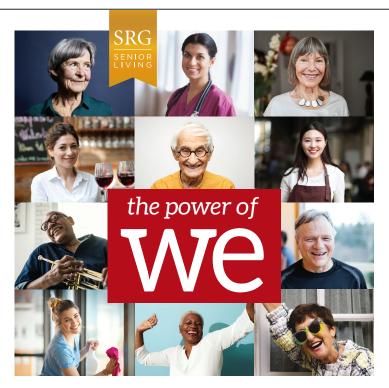
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Top Tips for Better WiFi



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Walls and other barriers can impede your WiFi signal. Place for your router is a central location with as few obstacles as possible between the modem and your connected devices. Locate it high off the floor, and away from metal objects and other electronic devices that can interfere with your WiFi signal.

Be aware of what devices are connected to your network and their internet speed capabilities.

More devices connected at once means less bandwidth is available for each device. And some devices can't keep up with faster WiFi speeds, which slows down all the others.

Close WiFi hungry applications when you're not using them.

Leaving some programs open, like those used for online streaming or video games, will use up bandwidth, even after you've finished using them.

Protect your network with a strong password.

Choosing a secure WPA or WPA 2 password will protect your personal information, and keep other people from using your bandwidth, thus slowing your WiFi speeds.

Tip Upgrade your hardware.

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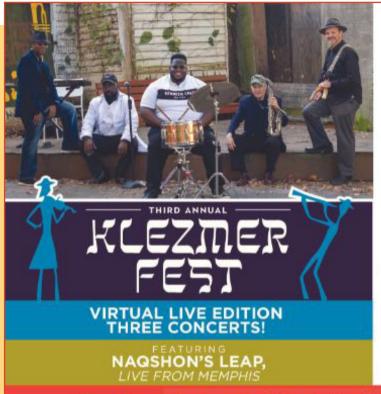
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