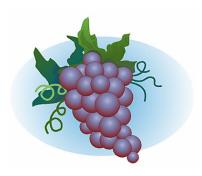
The Shpiel

Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation

February 2016 / Shevat 5776









SUN LAKES JEWISH CONGREGATION

OFFICERS

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Meeting Schedules (details on later pages)

FRIDAY NITE SERVICES – February 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the Chapel

BOARD MEETING – Thursday, Febuary 11, 4:00 p.m. - please call Wende Levy @ 301-503-1047 if you wish to be on the agenda.

RITUAL COMMITTEE MEETING – No meeting in February

MEN'S CLUB – No meetings scheduled

SISTERHOOD – Annual Card Party Tuesday February 2 at 10 a.m. in Oakwood Country Club

SHALOM HADASSAH -- Trip to the Hale Theatre to see "Anything Goes" on February 20th

DEVORAH HADASSAH – Out-to-lunch on February 3rd at The Cheesecake Factory

JWV Post 619 – Meeting Sunday Feb 21 at 9:30 a.m. in the Mirror Room of the Sun Lakes Country Club

HAVURAH CHAI – February 28 at 3:00p.m. for Jewish Film Festival movie "Once in a Lifetime" at Harkins Theater, Chandler Fashion Mall

Join in the Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation Second Seder!

April 23rd marks the night of the second Seder of Passover. The Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation invites all wanting to celebrate with friends and family to consider our congregation as your extended family here in Sun Lakes and join us for a meaningful and fun Seder experience, led by our Rabbi Irwin Wiener. (Families with children/grandchildren are encouraged to join us – prizes to all affikomen hunters!)

The Seder will be held in the ballroom at Oakwood, in Sun Lakes. Contact Bety @882-9022 or Myra @305-0533 for further details.

Funding of Oneg Shabbats

Thank you to everyone who has made a donation to the Oneg Fund in honor of a life cycle event. To date your donations have funded each of our Onegs. Members of the SLJC Board of Directors will be contacting members who have birthdays, anniversaries and other life cycle (simcha) events to help defray the costs of our Onegs. Donations to our Onegs help the Board to balance the budget, but more importantly allow our congregants to celebrate with you.





Message from Our Rabbi

We All Can Learn

At the service Friday, January 8, I recited something that was sent to me, author

unknown. Some have suggested that I reprint it. So, here goes.

After the winter holidays, a teacher asked her young pupils how they spent their holiday away from school. One child wrote the following:

We always used to spend the holidays with Grandma and Grandpa. They used to live in a big brick house, but Grandpa got **retarded** and they moved to a senior community where everyone lives in nice little houses, and so they don't have to mow the grass anymore!

They ride around on their bicycles and scooters and wear name tags because they don't know who they are anymore. They go to a building they call the **wreck** center, but they must have got it fixed because it is all-okay now. They do exercises there, but they don't do them very well. There is a swimming pool too, but they all jump up and down in it with hats on.

At their gate, there is a dollhouse with a little old man sitting in it. He watches all day so nobody can **escape**. Sometimes they sneak out, and go cruising in their golf carts.

Nobody there cooks, they just eat out. And, they eat the same thing every night – **early birds.** Some of the people can't get out past the man in the dollhouse. The ones, who do get out, bring food back to the **wrecked** center for potluck.

My Grandma says that Grandpa worked all his life to earn his **retardment** and say I should work hard so I can be **retarded** someday too. When I earn my **retardment**, I want to be the man in the dollhouse. Then I will let the people out, so they can visit their grandchildren.

Out of the mouths of babes! That is what I thought when I read it. It certainly is amazing what children see and perceive. I believe we all have the same difficulties at times when we see something we do not quite understand.

Perhaps, we can learn from this essay. To me, the lesson is that we should think about what we witness and use caution when we jump to conclusions. More often than not we see things that are not there, or really do not matter.

I guess we can all learn from children. What a refreshing idea! Rabbi Irwin Wiener, D.D.

Announcing an Adult Education Program for SLJC at the Chapel Center

Please join us on the dates listed below as we start a new Adult Education Program led by Rabbi Wiener:

- March 8th 1:00-2:30 pm (2nd Tuesday of month) Jewish Practices - Mitzvot and Traditions; Jewish Holidays - History and Significance
- April 12th 1-2:30 pm (2nd Tuesday of the month) How to Change Your Life - a Study in Kabbalah and Meditation
- May 3rd 1-2:30 pm (1st Tuesday of the month) Grief and Loss - How to Deal with Disappointments and Tragedies

You may attend one, two or all sessions. Please RSVP to Wende Levy at <u>Wende@his.com</u> or 301-503-1047.

Ritual Schedule for 5776 (2016)

<u>2016</u>

February 12	Service honoring Sisterhood	7:30 pm
March 11	Service honoring our Choir and Hadassah	7:30 pm
April 8	Interfaith YOM HASHOAH OBSERVANCE	7:30 pm
May 13	Service honoring Men's Club and Rabbi's Bar Mitzvah Year	7:30 pm
June 10	Annual Healing Service	7:30 pm

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 <u>ravyitz@cox.net</u>.

Cantorial Notes

Let Us Sing to God-L'Chu N'ran'nah L'Adonai

The choir and I will be introducing a new song to highlight February's service called L'Chu N'ran'nah. The translation of the chorus is "Let us sing to Adonai, let us rejoice in our Creator! Let us come before God with thanksgiving and songs of praise." This is taken from Psalm 95 which thanks God for Creation and the Exodus from Egypt. Because the remembrance of Creation and the Exodus are the two main themes of Shabbat, this psalm is often included in our Friday night liturgy to welcome Shabbat. The version of L'Chu N'ran'nah that we will be singing was written by Abby Gostein. It was commissioned by the Women Cantor's network in 2006 and I was privileged to sing it with the composer when I attended the conference several years ago. Her lyrics focus on three lines from the psalm: 1. "Come let us sing to God," 2. "Let us sing out to our Sheltering Rock," and 3. Let us come before God with thanks." These sections each stand on their own

and are then weaved together to make beautiful harmonies.

Please sing along with us as the first verse repeats throughout the song...

(Come, let us sing to the Eternal)

L'chu n'ran'nah, let our voices ring

L'chu n'ran'nah L'Adonai

L'chu n'ran'nah L'Adonai

L'chu n'ran'nah, come let us sing!

...I can't wait to hear all your voices joining with us at our February service!

B'Shalom,

Ronda



If you like to sing, can carry a tune, and enjoy learning new songs, please become a member of the choir. We rehearse from 3:00-4:30 p.m. on most Tuesday's in the Chapel Center. Please contact Lana Oyer at 602-524-5936.

President's Message

Volunteers are a vital component of our congregation. In order to expand our programs, activities and offerings we need congregants to help plan and lead activities. Being an active member of our committees is critical to the success of our endeavors. The synagogue needs volunteers for several committees/activities listed below. In order for our congregation to flourish and grow volunteers are needed. If you are interested in participating, please contact Wende Levy at Wende@his.com or via telephone at 301-503-1047.

- Fundraising
- Adult Education

Save the date: On Saturday April 23rd SLJC will hold our second night Seder at Oakwood Country Club. The chef and staff at Oakwood will be working with the Passover Committee to make this event a delicious and meaningful experience for everyone. The Passover Committee have taken the comments from congregants provided in the survey and verbally into account as the planning of this event begins. The cost and menu will be provided as it is finalized. We look forward to seeing you at this congregation event. Bring your family, friends or come and make new friends all are welcome and encouraged to enjoy this celebration with your "SLJC family".

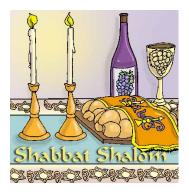
Save the date: On Friday evening May 13th the congregation will celebrate the Bar Mitzvah Year of Rabbi Wiener. There will be a dinner prior to Shabbat services and an Oneg that follows. Details on the place of the dinner, cost and time will be announced at a later date. This is an opportunity for the congregation to honor our rabbi and celebrate 13 years of his spiritual guidance.

In order to enhance communication between the SLJC Board of Directors and the congregation board, decisions will be included in the Shpiel. Please review the decisions and if you have questions or clarifications please feel free to contact me or one of the board members. As a reminder, SLJC BOD meetings are open to all congregants to attend. If you wish to put something on the agenda please contact me in advance. SLJC BOD meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at 4:00 pm in the Chapel Center.

Decisions from the January BOD Meeting:

- Guidelines for publication of articles in the Shpiel were approved. *The guidelines can be obtained by contacting Mark Salita via e-mail or telephone or accessing them on the SLJC WEB site.*
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Wende Levy, President



CALLING ALL KOHANIM

Last year, on Yom Kippur, we began an ancient tradition referred to as "Duchening." It is a Yiddish word indicating the ascension to a platform. This refers to the Temple in Jerusalem.

The Priests were designated as the representatives of the people in making supplication and administering to the daily rituals of the Temple such as sacrifices. The sacrifices, whether, animal or vegetation gave the people the opportunity to show their love to God. It is really very complicated, but in essence it was designed to show the abhorrence of human sacrifice, which was practiced by pagan societies. Another difference was that each sacrifice ritual was accompanied by the Levites singing, playing instruments, and reciting Psalms (the forerunner to prayer service and the advent of the Cantor).

One of the responsibilities of the Priests was to administer blessings to the people in behalf of God. The ceremony was rather extensive. The Priests dressed in their distinctive vestments and went up the platform to face the people, cover their faces because the emphasis was on the blessing, not who was administering it.

This tradition was well received and will continue. Now we are asking all Kohanim to contact me so that we can begin classes with the Rabbi in the art and, format of this entrance into our congregation's customs and traditions.

Michael Cohen <u>mwcohen000@gmail.com</u>

SLJC Gabbai-im

Would any SLJC members (male or female) be interested in the honor of becoming a gabbai at our monthly services? We currently have two regular Gabbai-im, as well as one stand-by always ready to assume the role. However, we are always looking for additional people to assume this important function. If interested, please contact SaraRuth at 883-1791.

Trip to Israel – Opportunity

One of our congregants who was planning to go on the trip has to cancel their trip due to a family occasion. The land portion of the trip is refundable, but the air portion is non-refundable (it is exchangeable with a penalty). If we could find someone to take their place the airline has agreed to allow a change of traveler. The prices of airline tickets to Israel are currently more expensive. You would benefit from the price that was locked in at time of purchase of the airline tickets. Please consider this opportunity for yourselves, your friends or neighbors.

If you are interested in going to Israel or know of someone that might be interested in joining the trip to Israel, please contact Bety Dar.



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MEMORIAL BOARD – A non-member Memorial Board is in the lobby of our chapel. Many of you have already placed plates on the memorial board 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.

BLUE BOXES - Keep filling J.N.F blue boxes!! If filled, call me and I will arrange to pick them up. Thanks. Lill Fishman - 895-8928

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SERVICE HONORS – Anyone wishing to have an honor in any upcoming service, call SaraRuth Rossow at 883-1791.



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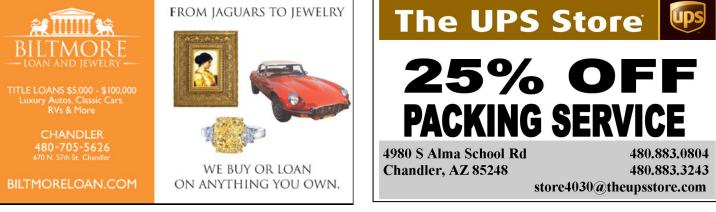
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<u>Flowers for the bema for Shabbat services</u>: May be donated by congregation members commemorating important occasions. To participate, call Betsey Silverman at 895-9187 to reserve your date. The cost is \$50.00 per household (no more than two households may donate flowers for any one service).

To help serve at the Onegs: call Gary Kanowsky at 802-4517, or fill out the following form:

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CONGREGATION NEWS

CONDOLENCES

The congregation sends their condolences to Barbara Siegel on the passing of her husband Neil Siegel, on Dec. 28, following a short illness.

THANKS

I would like to thank the congregation for its outpouring of concern after my recent auto accident. Your calls, cards, food deliveries and visits helped my recovery and are so appreciated. We live in such a caring community. A hearty "THANKS" to all of you. Ron Codkind

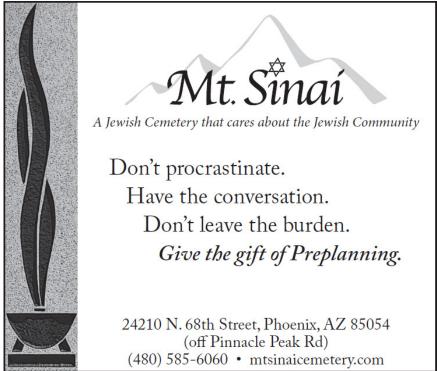
Ellie and I wish to thank all our friends for their phone calls, cards and support for me during these past few months. We certainly appreciate the caring thoughts that we have received at this time. Many thanks to all. Harvey Trachtenberg

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 <u>tieman11@q.com</u> 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: Michael Kaplan, Doris Codkind, Joyce Spartonos, Jeff Spear, Mark Nelinson, Geri Gould, Marilyn Koss, Fran Applebaum, Carol Biales, Rita Solko, Mireille Kaplan, Sara Ruth Rossow, Shelly Henden, Michael Dar, Edd Shalett, Marty Silverman and Myra Buckner.

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 <u>marilynjoe@cox.net</u>.



Men's Club of Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation

It is past time for those who have not paid their dues to renew their membership in our club for 2015-2016. Also we invite congregation members who are not enrolled in our club to join us. Dues remain at \$30.00. This entitles you to attend our Annual Dinner free-of-charge. Please send your check, payable to "SLJC Men's Club to: Sy Evans, 26421 S. Newtown Dr, Sun Lakes AZ 85248.



Jewish War Veterans (JWV)



The members of Post 619 Jewish War Veterans in Sun Lakes will be meeting at 9:30 a.m. February 21 in the Mirror Room of the Sun Lakes Country Club. The speaker this month will be Gordon Brown, CEO of Team Veterans. His subject will be Oxygen instead of Medication. The chairman of the Veterans Service Committee is Bob Brooks. He led the group recently in providing a pizza party for 50 veterans at the Madison Street Veterans Association at MANA House. In the near future a trip will be scheduled to inform the membership on why this post is the most renowned post of any veterans post in supporting homeless Veterans. The trip will be to the many homeless organizations for veterans the post supports. The board meets each month and contributes to many Veterans causes.

The post is active all year long and inquiries are answered all year long from any person regardless of race, religion or gender. Many participants in the post are not Jewish but want to help veterans and this post works tirelessly to help homeless and in-need veterans, with many persons taking part in the Maricopa StandDown in February. Get information on the post from Paul Herman at 480-659-2998. Make reservations for the brunch that precedes the meeting with Donna Liebowitz at 480-883-3153 or bananabunny@centurylink.net.

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Sisterhood

Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation Sisterhood is pleased to sponsor the regular service to be held February 12, 2016 at 7:30 in the Chapel. Our theme for this year is **Jewish Comediennes**. Adrian Bendick, a member of our congregation and of sisterhood, is our keynote speaker. She will talk about the role of women in comedy and the profound effect they've had on the profession.

After 45 years of teaching in both Philadelphia, PA and Arizona, Adrian finally retired. She now runs a senior group at the EVJCC, booking interesting speakers each week.

From 1980-1983, Adrian taught during the day and performed her stand up comedy in the evening. When faced with the choice of teaching or comedy, she chose teaching. Her love of children won out over the bright lights of center stage.

We hope you will all join us for an interesting and fun service on the 12th. If you are interested in having an honor, or participating in any other way, please contact Geri Gould. As always, donations for Toys from the Heart are always appreciated. Donations, as well as dues payments (\$30.00 now), can be sent to Phyllis, at 3495 E. County Down Dr., Chandler, 85249.

SuzyZiegler@yahoo.com

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Devorah Chapter of Hadassah

Devorah Hadassah has an out-to-lunch get together on the first Wednesday of every month. On February 3rd we will be going to The Cheesecake Factory, 3111 W. Chandler Blvd., Chandler at 11:30 am. In March the out to lunch will be on Wednesday, the 2nd.

For anyone who likes to play games, we play Rummikub at the Chandler Senior Center, 202 Boston Street, Chandler at 1:30 on the second Wednesday of every month. The next date is February 10th. Come join us and become addicted to this challenging game.

For more information e-mail Hadassah.evinfo@cox.net.

Shalom Chapter of Hadassah

Although there is no regular meeting scheduled for February, we are still busy with outside activities. Our next event of 2016 is on February 20th - a trip to the Hale Theatre to see the charming show "Anything Goes". Tickets are \$30.00 pp. For more information call Shelly at 480-802-3608. As always, these tickets go quickly so don't delay in making a reservation.

On March 15th a lovely afternoon is planned at the Herberger Lunch Time Theatre to see a new musical revue called "Themes and Variations", a remix of old songs in new settings. For this event the non-refundable admission is \$6.00, plus \$7.00 which goes towards Hadassah's fun-fundraiser. Tickets are limited to 25. To make a reservation send check made to Shalom Hadassah for \$13.00 to J. Josephson at 23625 S. Rosecrest Dr., Sun Lakes 85248. We will gather for lunch afterward. Sounds delightful!! Watch for more exciting news from the **Shalom Chapter of Hadassah!**

Doris Codkind, Publicity (For membership information call Cyril at 802-0243)

Havurah Chai Welcomes Jewish Singles

The best kinds of friends are the ones that you share good times with. Friends who can make you laugh. Having friends and humor in your life is more than a matter of a good time as often when you make new friendships you continue to share warm and wonderful memories for a long time. Havurah Chai is already making new friends and we cordially invite Jewish Singles to our first Social Event!

On February 28 we will be attending the Jewish Film Festival at the Harkins Theater in the Chandler Fashion Mall. The movie will be "Once in a Lifetime" showing at 3:00PM. Dinner after the movie with the group (restaurant to be announced). All Jewish Singles are invited to attend and RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED. Please send your check made out to Betsey Silverman in the amount of \$9.50 to assure yourself a ticket. Betsey Silverman 1832 W. Havasu Way, Chandler, AZ 85248 480–895–9187.

Watch the Shpiel for upcoming events which include A March Dinner. In April we will go to the Hale Theater to see The Diary of Anne Frank and Dinner. May brings us to a tour of Basha's Western Museum and Lunch. Steamboating on The Dolly in June and many more events to come.

Interested in making new friends and having fun please contact Lainy Sardina 480-895-0974 or email lainysardina@gmail.com.

Jewish Film Festival

Join the Greater Phoenix Jewish Film Festival from Feb. 14 - 28th for its 20th Year of providing great independent Jewish Film to the Valley! There is something for everyone playing at Harkins Fashion 20 in Chandler! Round trip transportation from Sun Lakes will be provided for a small fee to the Chandler screening of To Life! Celebrate the GPJFF's milestone year at the 20th Anniversary Celebration & Film Premiere event at the Phoenix Art Museum. Tickets are \$11 in advance / \$13 at the door. For more information on the films or to purchase tickets, please go to www.gpjff.org or call 602-753-9366.

NOTE: Rabbi Wiener will be delivering a talk following the film, "Apples in the Desert," February 22 at the Harkin's Arrowhead Theater in Peoria.



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February Yahrzeits

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Friends of Israel at SLJC

Upcoming event sponsored by SLJC's Friends of Israel and co-sponsored with the East Valley Jewish Community Center:

March 6th, 3:00PM, The Chapel Center, Ms Yamit Armbrister, author of "A Moroccan Woman" and "From Egypt to Canaan", will speak about the

"Moroccan and Sephardic Jews making Aliyah in the Earliest Days of the State of Israel".

OpEd: News from Israel

Israel's high-tech sector raised a record \$4.43 billion in 2015, up 30% from 2014, the Israel Venture Capital (IVC) Research Center said on Monday. IVC said there were 708 deals last year.

American Jewish philanthropist Mortimer Zuckerman is launching a \$100 million program promoting scientific collaboration between the U.S. and Israel. The Zuckerman STEM Leadership Program, announced Monday, aims to foster collaboration between the "highest-achieving" American post-doctoral researchers and graduate students and "leading researchers" at Israeli universities.

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HOLOCAUST COMMEMORATION and INTERFAITH SERVICE

Friday, April 8, 7pm Sun Lakes Chapel 9240 E. Sun Lakes Blvd N – Sun Lakes, AZ Sponsored by Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation

DOORS OPEN AT 6:30PM FOR THE COMMUNITY TO LIGHT CANDLES IN MEMORY OF THOSE WHO PERISHED

Social Hour will follow in the Navajo Room of the Sun Lakes Country Club. The entire community is invited to participate in this historic event of solidarity and worship. Further information may be obtained from the participating congregations.

Participants include: Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation, Rabbi Dr. Irwin Wiener, Cantor Ronda Polesky Sun Lakes United Methodist Church, Rev. Marvin Ampriester, United Church of Christ, Rev. Dr. Vernon Meyer Unity of Sun Lakes, Rev. Dr. Debbie Brown Joint Choir participation under the direction of Lana Oyer

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