The Shpiel

Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation

March 2016 / Adar I+II 5776









SUN LAKES JEWISH CONGREGATION

OFFICERS

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Meeting Schedules (details on later pages)

FRIDAY NITE SERVICES – March 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the Chapel

BOARD MEETING – Thursday, March 10, 4:00 p.m. - please call Wende Levy @ 301-503-1047 if you wish to be on the agenda.

RITUAL COMMITTEE MEETING – Tuesday March 8, 10:30a.m. at Wende Levy's home (23821 S. Dobson Rd)

MEN'S CLUB – Annual Luncheon in Cottonwood Saguaro Room, free for members.

SISTERHOOD – Thursday, March 17 at NOON in the Chapel Center.

SHALOM HADASSAH --- March 15th at the Herberger Lunch Time Theatre.

DEVORAH HADASSAH – March 9th, 13th, and 25th events are described on page 15.

JWV Post 619 – Annual Installation/Awards Luncheon from 11:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. on March 20 in the Oakwood Ballroom.

HAVURAH CHAI – March 15, 6:00 p.m. at Floridinos Restaurant for dinner.

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.

Save the Night to Honor Our Rabbi

Please join us as we honor our Rabbi Irwin Wiener as he celebrates his Bar Mitzvah Year as Spiritual Leader of the Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation, Friday, May 13th, 2016 at the Oakwood Clubhouse.

Doors open at 4:30 p.m. Dinner will be served promptly at 5:00 p.m.

We will then attend Shabbat Services at the Sun Lakes Chapel at 7:30 p.m. followed by continued celebration at our Oneg Shabbat.

Registrations forms will be handed out at our March Shabbat services and can be obtained by contacting Ilana at 895-6272 or SaraRuth at 883-1791.





(These are the words I had intended to speak at Sisterhood Sabbath. Time constraints made that difficult. So, here are my remarks for all to read.)

Tonight we pay tribute to our Sisterhood. The dictionary tells us that it's meaning relates to the concept of women coming together with a common purpose and a shared bond. Our Sisterhood epitomizes this meaning in many ways.

I can relate it to the portion of the Torah we read this evening – Terumah – literally meaning, Gifts. The Torah explains about the building of the first Tabernacle in the wilderness to house the tablets received at Mt. Sinai. The gifts are twofold, on the one hand it symbolizes the gift given to us by God, the discipline needed for society to function, and, on the other hand, the gift of enshrining these thoughts on our minds with the Tabernacle as a reminder of the two.

How does that connect to our Sisterhood? It is quite simple. The Sisterhood of this congregation personifies the concept of the value of gifts through their efforts in behalf of all of the greater community and us as well.

If you measure the impact they have and had on Sun Lakes and beyond, you will discover life-altering experiences affecting the lives of so many. Their deeds of sacredness are a litany of sacred deeds, daily acts of justice, and compassion as outlined in Scripture.

There are many ways to accomplish these acts of kindness and, yes, holiness. For example, there is the sacredness of time – the time spent in the service of others. Then there is the sacredness of space, fashioning a physical presence right here in this Chapel devoted to the worship of God – their contributions to the continuity this building represents is a testament to that.

What they have done is blend these attributes into a way of life that has been and continues to be emulated by many. They have broken through barriers, sometimes at great cost in time and money, to achieve the ultimate dream of connection and survival.

There are many contributions such as these demonstrated by the myriad of activities and volunteers we are fortunate to have among us, but, quite honestly, the Sisterhood incorporates all and inspires all. The distinction can also be found in the adaption of heritage to the needs of today. Adjusting does not negate the origins, but rather enhances the spirit of the meaning of tradition.

Rabbi Irwin Wiener, D.D.

Ritual Schedule for 5776 (2016)

<u>2016</u>

March 11 Service honoring our Choir and Hadassah 7:30 pn	1
April 8 Interfaith YOM HASHOAH OBSERVANCE 7:00 pm	i
May 13 Service honoring Men's Club and Rabbi's Bar Mitzvah Year 7:30 pm	L
June 107:30 pm	
July 87:30 pm	t
August 12 Twilight Service7:30 pm	1

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>.

Zachary Furman will celebrate his Bar Mitzvah on March 12 at 10:30 a.m. in the Chapel.

<u> The SLJC Choir Needs You</u>

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

Communication between the SLJC Board of Directors and the membership was identified as an area for improvement based on the survey that was just conducted. Addressing this issue will require efforts from our board and our members. I plan to apprise the congregation of new information and pertinent facts about BOD discussions in my monthly President's Message in the Shpiel. Prior to the SLJC Annual Meeting in October we will be soliciting for questions from the membership. As we did this year after the Annual Meeting a letter will be send out to all members of the congregation summarizing the content of the meeting and a financial summary for the year. Other issues identified from the survey and being addressed by the Board include:

- Adult Education Program has been started. The first class will be held on March 8th in the Chapel Center from 1:00 to 2:30 pm. Topics include Jewish practices of Mitzvot and Traditions, and the history and significance of Jewish holidays
- > Twilight Services in July and August will be held in the Chapel and will be led by Rabbi Wiener

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 has taken the comments from congregants provided in the survey and verbally into account as the planning of this event begins. The cost is \$32 for adults and \$12 for children. 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 at Oakwood Country Club and an Oneg Shabbat will follow. The cost of the dinner will be \$15 per person. This is an opportunity for the congregation to honor our rabbi and celebrate 13th 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 you can contact me via e-mail at <u>Wende@his.com</u> or via telephone at 301-503-1047. 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 2nd Thursday of each month at 4:00 pm in the Chapel Center.

Decisions from the February BOD Meeting:

- Continue with the electronic Shpiel. Members of SLJC can opt to receive a paper Shpiel at the time they renew their membership. The cost will be at most \$25/year. The request will be added to the Membership Form each family will be asked to complete.
- The dinner will be held at Oakwood Country Club and charge will be \$15 per person. This price reflects a small subsidy by SLJC.
- SLJC has purchased a computer projector system (used). Please contact me if you would like to use it for a synagogue/committee function. You will need to supply your own portable computer.

Wende Levy, President

THINGS YOU WILL NOT WANT TO FORGET (Mark your calendar!!!)

1. <u>March 11</u> – Our Shabbat Service will give us an opportunity to show our appreciation to our Choir for all their untiring efforts in enhancing our worship experience. As volunteers they represent the perfect example of the many dedicated members who extend themselves for our benefit.

Our Choir Director, Lana Oyer, has devoted many years to this and has demonstrated her love of Jewish Music as well as her love for our congregation. We are, indeed, indebted to her.

Our Cantor melodious interpretation of the liturgy enthralls all of us. Our congratulations are extended to her as well for the many examples of her abilities.

Our organist, Shea Marshall, displays a talent that is known throughout our community and beyond. He tickles the ivories, as the expression goes, that brings both the organ and the piano to life.

The highest tribute would be to see all the pews filled as we witness the sounds of music, both instrumental and vocal. I can think of no better way to enjoy and celebrate the Sabbath.

We will also pay tribute to Hadassah for the work they do in behalf of the venerated hospital in Jerusalem. More will be said at services.

Additionally, we will bid a safe and wonderful Bon Voyage to our Israel Mission participants. They will be journeying into an experience that has been the dream of generations past. A special prayer, Tefilat Haderek will be recited by all those who have chosen to travel the path of our history as a people.

- 2. <u>March 24</u> Purim. Perhaps, we will commemorate this holiday at our service as well. It is such a festive holiday, and does not seem to get much attention in our busy ritual calendar. Maybe, we will even see some Hamentashen at the Oneg.
- 3. <u>April 8</u> -: You will see the advertisement of our forthcoming Commemoration of the Holocaust. This service of Remembrance will be expanded to include Clergy of other faiths and their respective congregations. A stirring reminder of history's darkest hour.

7pm – individual candle lighting begins at 6:30pm

It behooves us all to Remember Never to Forget!

4. <u>April 23</u> – Congregation Annual Passover Seder (second night)



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. Dr. Marvin Arnpriester, United Church of Christ, Rev. Dr. Vernon Meyer Unity of Sun Lakes, Rev. Dr. Debbi Brown Joint Choir participation under the direction of Lana Oyer

THE SLJC THANKS YOU FOR YOUR RECENT CONTRIBUTIONS

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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.

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

TRIBUTE CARDS for any occasion can be purchased at the monthly Sisterhood meetings.

SERVICE HONORS – Anyone wishing to have an honor in any upcoming service, call SaraRuth



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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:

Sun La	kes Jewish Congregation- Shabbat Service Oneg	
Please count me/us in to serve at an	Oneg Shabbat	
Name	PhoneE-mail	
I/we are available during the month of	ofcelebrating	
Please return to: Gary Kanowsky, 10	0221 E. Spring Creek Rd, S.L. 85248 – ph. 802-4517	



CONGREGATION NEWS

CONDOLENCES

We are very sorry to report that the following members passed away recently:

Sam Fierstein on January 30, 2016.

Sam Miller, husband of Eleanor Miller, on February 1, 2016.

Robert Goldstein, husband of Betty Goldstein, on February 2, 2016.

Jerry Feldman, husband of Benita Feldman, on Wednesday, February 3, 2016.

THANKS

Thank you, thank you all so very much for the beautiful Cards, Donations to Organizations, Delicious food, Care and Prayer. I am so overjoyed at being so Blessed and doing amazingly well because of all of you. Sending a truck load of Thank You's! Lainy Sardina

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 marilynjoe@cox.net.



SUN LAKES JEWISH CONGREGATION PASSOVER 2 nd SEDER						
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APRIL 23, 2016						
OAKWOOD COUNTRY CLUB BALLROOM						
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Men's Club of Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation

For our January mid-month outing, we met at Brunchies (part of the Serrano's Mexican Food Restaurant) for lunch. The food was excellent, the service was great and friendly and we enjoyed the time spent there.

The February speaker event was cancelled. For February mid-month outing we met at Fiesta Mexicana located at 4949 S Alma School Rd in Chandler. The restaurant is owned by Martin and Patricia Rangel who moved to the States from Jalisco Mexico and decided to start their own restaurant based on authentic flavors of Mexico which we enjoyed. See the picture on page 15.

March activities include:

- a. Guest speaker March 1st Rabbi Bonder is a young assistant rabbi and educator at Temple Emanuel of Tempe. He plans on talking about his path to the rabbinate and how he played in the Israel Baseball League for one year.
- b. Our mid-March outing is replaced by Men's Club Annual Luncheon in Cottonwood Saguaro Room. The Luncheon is free for members and the cost for guests is \$20.





Jewish War Veterans (JWV)



Jewish War Veterans Post 619 invites you to join them in their Annual Installation/Awards Luncheon from 11:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. on March 20 at the Oakwood Ballroom. The keynote speaker will be Dr. Art Mollen, an Air Force veteran who has appeared in the valley on TV and radio. He is the medical correspondent for Good Morning Arizona on Channel 3 TV. This year two people, Clyde Schachner and Joel Goldman, will be honored as Persons of the Year for their outstanding contributions to helping veterans. Officers for 2016-2017 will be installed by Mel Brody, former Commander of the Jewish War Veterans Department of Southwest. This post usually meets on the third Sunday each month for a breakfast and is open to all veterans and those who want to help homeless and hospitalized veterans. Get information on meetings from Paul Herman 480-659-2998. For reservations and information concerning the Installation and Awards luncheon, call Sara Ruth Rossow 480-883-1791. For reservations for the brunch that precedes each meeting, except March, call Glenda Warshaw 480-802-7847.

Sisterhood

The Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation Sisterhood wishes to thank all those people who made our recent Card Party and Luncheon the success it was. Sisterhood raised approximately \$7,000.00 for our many charitable causes. In subsequent months we will be naming those professionals and merchants who contributed so generously to our function. For now, we just want to say Thank You.

Sisterhood is pleased to announce that the speaker for our March meeting, which will be on Thursday, March 17, is Matthew Karlovsky, M.D., a urologist who specializes in Women's Urologic issues. This meeting will start at NOON, not at the usual time (1:00 p.m.) because Dr. Karlovsky has other obligations. He will be speaking on issues such as urinary incontinence, pelvic organ prolapse, vaginal mesh complications, recurrent urinary tract infections and neurogenic bladder disorders such as from stroke, Parkinson's and MS.

Dr. Karlovsky is double Board Certified by the American Board of Urology in Urology and Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery, a distinction held by less than 1% of urologists. He has authored a book entitled <u>Female Urinary Incontinence</u>. He consults on pelvic mesh complications and is a speaker to physician and public groups, both locally and nationally.

There is still time to pay your dues, (\$30.00) if you haven't already done so, so that you can attend the end of year luncheon in May. Dues, and money for Toys from the Heart, can be sent to Phyllis Mandel, at 3495E. County Down Drive, Chandler, AZ 85249.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the meeting on March 17th, at NOON.

SuzyZiegler@yahoo.com

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DONATION FORM TOYS FROM THE HEART

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Please send checks (in any amount) payable to SLJC Sisterhood to: Phyllis Mandel, 3495 East County Down Drive, Chandler, AZ 85249

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Devorah Chapter of Hadassah

Our next out to lunch will be held on Wednesday, March 2^{nd.} We will be playing Rummikub at the Chandler Senior center located at 202 Boston Street, Chandler, at 1:00 on Wednesday March 9th. Our chapter meetings have been changed to the **second Sunday** of the month. The March meeting will be on Sunday March 13th at Temple Beth Sholom, 3400 N. Dobson Road, Chandler at 1:30. The topic will be Zionism. Our next Chick Flick special interest group will meet on Tuesday March 22nd. The movie will be announced closer to the date. For more information contact Barbara Ganz at Hadassah.evinfo@cox.net. Our outing to the Phoenix Art Museum to see the Michelangelo exhibition will be on Friday, March 25th at 1:00. There is an optional lunch at 11:30 at Palette. For more information e-mail Mireille Kaplan at gardener65@cox.net. Thursday March 25th is the last day to pay for tickets for **The Diary of Anne Frank** which we will see on Thursday April 14th at the Hale Centre Theatre, 50 W. Page Ave, Gilbert. For more information email Hadassah.evinfo@cox.net.

Shalom Chapter of Hadassah

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)



Shalom Hadassah Installation of Officers, January, 2016

Havurah Chai Welcomes Jewish Singles

There is a Miracle called Friendship that lives within the heart, you're not sure how it happens but know it from the start. The happiness it brings always gives a special lift, and you realize that Friendship is such a precious gift.

Havurah Chai is moving right along and if you are missing from our Havurah, you are also missing new friends and great times together. We have a great "social event" each month and the dues are your smiles!

Our next "outing" will be March 15, 6:00 p.m. at Floridinos Restaurant for dinner. The "Flor" is at the Granada Plaza, 590 North Alma School Rd, Chandler AZ. Our Hosts will be Ann Baumrind and Jeanne Capeloto. Please call Ann at 802–7531 <u>annbaumrind@msn.com</u> or Jeanne at 895-0739 to make your reservations.

We will attend the Hale Theater in Gilbert on April 16th at 300PM to view "The Diary of Anne Frank". After the Play, there will be Dinner at the San Tan Brewery in Downtown Chandler. Reservations are required for this event and our Hosts will be Charlie Gerson at <u>azcig5@gmail.com</u> or 829-8220, and Anne Teplitsky 706–0715 <u>phoenixgirl480@yahoo.com</u>. Please remit a check to Charlie in the amount of \$28 for your ticket to the play and mail to him at: 9137 E. Diamond Dr., S.L. 85248

May 19th brings an enjoyable visit to Basha's Western Art Museum followed by Dinner. Mel Moss and Sharon Beck are the Hosts. In June we will be Cruising on the Dolly Steamboat hosted by Ann Baumrind, Sandy Schmalzbach and Lainy Sardina. Rides are available to all events and just a phone call away to the Host of that event.

If you would like more information on our Havurah Chai please contact Lainy Sardina at <u>lainysardina@gmail.com</u> or 480–895–0974

It's CHAI time to Misiba (party)!

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 <u>Wende@his.com</u> or 301-503-1047.

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.

March Milestones

BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Susan Tauber
- 2 Arthur Applebaum
- 2 Hope Morris
- 3 Amy Ruberto
- Michael Freed 6
- 7 Ruth Lieberman 7
- Art Sharf 7
- Judy Siegel
- 8 Barbara Kaplan 9
- Jerry Goodman Martin Winter
- 10
- 12 Jack Becker
- 13 Arthur Gross
- 13 Harvey Schwartz
- 13 Lynne Stone
- Ellie Trachtenberg 13
- 15 Carolyn Arkins
- 15 Jeff Forman
- 15 Shirley Shalett
- 17 Diane Mendelsohn
- 18 Barbara Weinberg
- 19 **Cindy Prayzer**
- 19 Lee Ross
- 21 Ed Cohn
- 21 Adriane Goldman
- 21 Bette Goodman
- 23 Maishe Levitan
- 24 **Barry Berger**
- 24 Helene Zimmerman
- 25 Jim Gould
- 26 Norma Sloane
- 27 Lisa Edson
- 27 **Stanley Pinkus**
- 28 Jerry Kaplan
- 28 Lucy Geller
- 31 Betty Goldstein
- Carol Fink 31
- 31 Sheldon Silverman
- 31 **Bob Stone**



ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Margie & Steve Brandon
- Barbara & Elliott Reiss 4
- 5 Gayle & Mike Bernstein
- 10 Susan & Richard Tauber
- 11 Martha & Norman Lubeach
- Gail & Ron Kollman 17
- 25 Marilyn & Joe Koss
- 26 Lynne & Bob Stone
- 26 Rabbi Irwin & Sandi Wiener
- 28 Souzan & Laurence Blumberg





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March Yahrzeits

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Friends of Israel SLJC and the EVJCC presents Acclaimed Author Yamit Armbrister

On March 6, 2016 at 3:00PM, The Friends of Israel SLJC and EVJCC will present Yamit Armbrister, the author of *A Moroccan Woman, From Egypt to Canaan and Daughter of Ouzel. A Moroccan Women* was recently selected by the Israeli Department of Education to the list of most recommended books for all High School students.

Yamit graduated with a BA in Social Sciences from Bar Ilan University in Israel and holds an MBA from Walden University in Maryland. *One Moroccan Woman*, inspired by actual events in 1951, is the story of Tamar Ben Zaken who is forced, due to strive between Moroccan Jews and Muslims, to emigrate to Israel, under very challenging circumstances.

One reviewer notes "This is an intimate story about a young girl and about the decisions she had to make through the turmoil of her life. You, the reader, go along with her step by step, feeling close and affectionate towards her. This is enjoyable and an important read."

Yamit will briefly review the Moroccan situation from which Tamar fled and describe the challenges she and her family faced arriving in Israel in the early 1950s. She will also compare Tamar's experience to those of Jews making Aliyah in more recent times. . She will share stories that have been passed down within the family that are beyond the scope of the book.

Please join us to hear Yamit Armbrister, on March 6, 2015, at 3:00 PM at the Chapel Center at 9240 E Sun Lakes Blvd N, 85248. The event is free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served. There will be no solicitations.

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OP ED: Israel, US Kick Off Large-Scale Missile Defense Drill

IDF Hosts US European Command for Biennial Juniper Cobra Exercise to Strength Ties Betweenthe MilitariesBy Judah Ari Gross February 21, 2016, 11:11 pm

Israel and the United States kicked off their biennial ballistic missile defense exercise — Juniper Cobra — on Sunday, the Israeli army announced. In addition to preparing the two militaries for the threat of a missile attack, the exercise is designed to teach the armies to collaborate more effectively, the IDF said in a statement. Over "1,700 U.S. Service members, civilians and contractors" will take part in the multi-day drill, the eighth such exercise since the Juniper Cobra program began in 2001.

"This exercise is our nation's premier exercise in the region, and EUCOM's highest priority exercise for 2016," said Maj.-Gen. Mark Loeben, Director of Exercises and Assessments at Headquarters for US EUCOM. The IDF did not detail exactly what the exercise would entail. However, the army warned, "During the exercise, increased military activity may be noted."

In 2014, the last time the exercise was held, thousands of soldiers from both armies took part in the fiveday event, which included computer-assisted simulations of a missile attack. "This exercise is a significant mile-stone in the strategic relationship between the two countries, a security alliance unmatched by any other country in the world," Brig.-Gen. Zvika Haimovich, head of Israel's Aerial Defense Division, said.

Juniper Cobra 2016 is slated to be larger than the last exercise, but still smaller than Austere Challenge 12, a 2012 drill involving thousands of troops from both sides, according to DefenseNews.

The US has either jointly developed or financed all three tiers in Israel's missile defense program — Iron Dome (short-range missile interceptor), David's Sling (medium range) and Arrow (long range).

Slapping Down the Anti-Israel Boycotters (N.Y. Post Editorial Board, February 21, 2016)

The anti-Israel boycott movement just suffered serious setbacks in two key world capitals.

British Prime Minister David Cameron's government last week issued a policy notice that public authorities face "severe penalties" if they boycott Israeli goods.

Officially, the order protects all World Trade Organization members. In reality, it's all about Israel. It declares such boycotts unacceptable unless the British government has itself instituted formal legal sanctions or trade restrictions. In recent years, the Scottish government and town councils in Birmingham and Leicester have ordered or encouraged their suppliers to cease business with Israel.

The opposition Labor Party denounced Cameron's move as an "attack on democracy." But Canada saw bipartisan support for Monday's vote on a resolution rejecting the goals of the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions movement.

New Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's Liberal Party endorsed the motion introduced by the Conservatives, with Foreign Minister Stephane Dion vowing to "fight anti-Semitism in all its forms." It seems Trudeau means to keep his campaign promise to continue the solidly pro-Israel stance of the man he defeated, Steven Harper.

The Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions movement has always been a one-sided exercise in thuggish intimidation, targeting liberal, democratic Israel even as it ignores such genuinely oppressive regimes as Saudi Arabia, Iran, Hamas and the Palestinian Authority. As Dion said: "The world will win nothing for boycotting Israel but depriving itself of the talents of its inventiveness."

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