The Shpiel

Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation September 2017 / Elul 5777/Tishrei 5778









SUN LAKES JEWISH CONGREGATION

OFFICERS

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Meeting Schedules (details on later pages)

FRIDAY NITE SERVICES – None in September due to High Holidays.

BOARD MEETING – Thursday, September 14th, 4:00 p.m. – please call Wende Levy @ 301-503-1047 if you wish to be on the agenda.

RITUAL COMMITTEE MEETING – None in September.

MEN'S CLUB – Meeting September 5th at the Chapel Center at 6:30 PM; Annual Brunch September 24th at Chompies, Chandler.

SISTERHOOD – No events in September due to High Holidays.

HAVURAH CHAI – Break-the-Fast on September 30th.

SHALOM HADASSAH --- September 19, EVJCC, boutique show, lunch & talk by Rabbi Beyo.

DVORAH HADASSAH – Luncheon September 17th at 12:30 pm at Pita Junction, Ahwatukee.

JWV Post 619 – Meeting Sept 17th at 9:30 a.m., Mirror Room of the Sun Lakes Country Club.

Ritual Schedule for 5778 (2017)

September 16 Selichot Service	-
September 20 Rosh Hashanah Evening Service	7:30 pm
September 21 Rosh Hashanah Day Service	10:00 am
September 24 Kever Avot Service, Valley of the Sun Cemetery	10:30 am
September 29 Kol Nidre Service	7:30 pm
September 30 Yom Kippur Service	10:00 am
Conversation with Rabbi	2:00 pm
Mincha Service	3:00 pm
Yizkor Service	4:00 pm
Ne'ilah Service	5:00 pm
October 13 Shabbat Service	7:30 pm
November 10 Shabbat Service	7:30 pm
December 8 Shabbat Service	7:30 pm

The SLJC Annual Congregation Meeting will be held on October 24th at 7:00 pm in the Chapel Center.

Membership Renewal

The SLJC Board of Directors is requesting that you fill out the Member Information form sent with the dues statement even if you have done so in the past. This effort is being undertaken to update our data base and collect some additional information that will facilitate communication between our members.

Please send in your dues with the Dues Form and the completed Member Information form. For questions please contact Bety Dar at betyaz2013@gmail.com.





Soon we will gather in the Synagogue to celebrate another year as the old disappears and a new one takes shape. What kind of year is passing and what kind of a year lies ahead? These are just two of the questions we will ask ourselves as we do each year at this time.

Some of us will wonder whether we did enough to matter and some will contemplate about things that never were and maybe will never be. Through it all, however, there is one constant theme that will resonate within us as we sit and sing and pray and listen and it is something I think about, not just at this season but all year long and is best illustrated by the following story:

A yeshiva student was having a discussion with his rabbi. "Someday, I too hope to become a rabbi," said the youth. "Aside from my studies is there any other all-important qualification I will need?" "Yes, the stimulus of imagination," replied the rabbi. "You will have to imagine that somebody is paying attention to what you say."

I believe that all of us during our lifetime have wondered whether anyone listens to us, our children, our colleagues at work, and our significant others, and even ourselves. We have a great deal to say because communicating is the most significant way of connecting.

Sometimes we say things that really don't matter and, of course, we do say things that affect our lives and those around us. Sometimes we say things that have different meanings because we are not clear and precise. Sometimes we say things we really don't mean because we want to be sensitive to another's feelings. And sometimes we say things that aren't true because we are too ashamed or embarrassed as to our real intent.

The High Holidays give us an opportunity to say things to God we never thought we had the ability to utter. There are thoughts we have that mean so much because we are at a stage in life where minutes, hours, days, weeks and years are precious and not to be wasted.

It takes a great deal of imagination to pray that God is listening and hears our words because we believe we cannot see, or touch, or even hear an answer. But it doesn't take imagination to realize that answers can come from experiences and happenings that remind us we do matter. We see the miracles of life daily, but we tend to ignore them. We can touch a loved one because that touch awakens the understanding of togetherness and companionship. We do hear the sounds of laughter at joyous times, and the tears that fall when we lose someone we love or witness illness.

As we embark on another year we all should listen to our inner voice that tells us life is to live and treasure because it is a gift that keeps on giving. Listen to a friend or relative as they reach out for understanding and compassion. And, if we are having difficulty hearing, be sure we are tuned in to what is being said. Try not to miss "I love you," or "I care about you," or "I wish you were here."

Sandi and I wish each of you a very happy New Year filled with laughter and love and good health and above all the ability to listen and hear.

Shanah Tovah!!

Rabbi Irwin Wiener, D.D.

CONNECTIONS – The INTERSECTION Between Food, Spirituality and Community

THE SPIRITUALITY AND FOODS OF THE HIGH HOLY DAYS OF JUDAISM

Rabbi Irwin Wiener, Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation Rev. Vernon Meyer, Sun Lakes United Church of Christ September 13, Wednesday 6:00pm-7:30pm

Jewish communities around the world celebrate the High Holy Days of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur in the month of September. These days mark the beginning of the Jewish New Year, the Days of Awe and Wonder and an intense day of fasting and reflecting on life and the challenges of life. Some of the special foods shared during these days are Hallah which is shaped round and spiraled indicated our attempt to reach Heavenly heights at this holy time of the year. It also symbolizes the continuity of creation. Honey is prominent indicating a wish for a sweet year - usually apples are cut up to dip in the honey as apples indicate fruitfulness. However, other foods can be dipped as well. Honey was also considered a sign of wealth as the land described in the Bible indicates a land flowing with milk and honey. New fruits are also eaten celebrating new harvests and to remind us to appreciate the fruits of the earth and our being alive to enjoy them. A prominent fruit eaten is the Pomegranate because there are 613 seeds within the fruit reminding us of the 613 commandments found in the Torah.

Connections meets at the Chapel Center, 9230 Sun Lakes Blvd, W. Sun Lakes, AZ 85248.

Join the Connections group of Sun Lakes United Church of Christ as Rabbi Wiener reflects on the spirituality and foods of these important Jewish feasts. Members of Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation are urged to participate in this interfaith program. For more information, contact Pastor Vernon Meyer at 480-895-6317.

Fall Adult Education Classes with the Rabbi

Once again Rabbi Wiener will be leading our congregation in a series of inspiring adult 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 to reserve a place for you and your friends. We look forward to hearing from you.

CHOOSE BOTH OR ONE. Each class will be held every Tuesday as follows:

1. Session One – October 3, 10, 17 – 1pm – 2:30pm

"Coping with illness, and understanding losses in our lives." As time moves on we encounter issues that cause us pain, both physically and mentally. Our aches seem to be more frequent. Our friends and family leave us bereft. Together we will explore opportunities to learn how to deal with adversities that affect our quality of life.

2. Session Two – November 7, 14, 21 – 1pm – 2:30pm

"Torah Study." Learning the various interpretations of Scripture to better understand their meaning for today as they affect our lives. Torah is a living expression of hope, faith and even human failings that are brought together to teach about being human even as we strive to be more. We will explore Torah, the Prophets, and the Talmud to better understand how all of Scripture evolved over time.

The Torah Lesson for the Month

Beginning with this issue of the Shpiel I will also be writing a Torah Study column. The purpose of this new addition is to familiarize you with the weekly readings that are part of Shabbat worship services.

Most, I am sure, are aware that at each Shabbat service as well as Monday and Thursday mornings, the Torah is read to keep the teachings of our heritage alive as they give meaning to our everyday existence.

The Torah is an instrument of learning. This is why we are instructed to study and review, scrutinize and interpret. In fact, the word Torah means "instruction." This is the foundation of our understanding of life. It is also a fountain of expression leading to a better understanding of our purpose and the value of our lives. It is through the study of Torah we, as a people, are able to converse and interact with God. This is why we are called "The People of the Book."

This "Book" has traveled with us through time. It has witnessed the worst and the best of our experiences as a people. Through it we bore witness to the purpose of Creation. We stood at the foot of the mountain and proclaimed for all time that Torah represents a commitment to morality and justice.

Study with me each month and absorb the wisdom of the ages. Civilization was founded on this wisdom and will survive because of it.

If there is an interest, I will be glad to lead a class in Torah Study each month. Please let me know if you are interested. Rabbi Irwin Wiener, D.D.

Torah Lesson for September 2017 – Rosh Hashanah/Yom Kippur/Sukkot

There are two main readings on the High Holidays. They, of course, deal with repentance, charity, and deeds of kindness. Most of all it is a time set aside for us to evaluate and remember.

One of the readings details the birth of the world. Rosh Hashanah commemorates Creation and relives the period of uncertainty and commotion that was eventually contained to bring order to the world.

We are all familiar with the void becoming substance. The utterance of words coming from the mouth of God gave form to everything we enjoy and take for granted: The sun to light the day and the moon to give comfort from total darkness are just two examples of the things we take for granted.

No other people on the face of the Earth celebrate the birth of origins: The origin of the world and of humankind.

The other prominent reading deals with the binding of Isaac and the attempt by Abraham to fulfill his understanding of God's requirements. This is one of the most difficult of chapters to read and comprehend. How can God demand the sacrifice of another human being to show fealty and devotion? How can we fathom the feelings of a father, and for that matter a mother, obeying a command to sacrifice their only son on the word of some mystical and invisible God?

It was too much for Sarah to bear and she dies not fully realizing that the test put forth was not really expected to be completed but rather used as a lesson in the value of human life. Isaac was spared because it was never the intention of God to witness such barbarity but as a tool to teach that blind loyalty is not the panacea to completion. We are taught to question so that there is meaning in our undertakings.

Both of these chapters and the other readings chanted on the Holidays offers us a glimpse into universal human history. All of this is designed to teach us that the theme of Creation enables us to understand God's role in history.

As you read these chapters of our history and the history of the world as we understand it, I urge you to marvel at all that is around you and then put down the "Book" and imagine yourself part of that glorious journey.

President's Message

"May this New Year be filled with health and happiness, and sweet moments for you, your family and friends. L'shanah Tovah!"

As we look toward the High Holidays the SLJC Board is planning for the coming year. On October 24th the SLJC Annual Congregational Meeting will be held in the Chapel Center at 7:00 pm. The state of our finances for the previous year will be reviewed and election of new members of the board of directors will take place. If you have questions or topics you would like discussed please submit them to me prior to the meeting.

For the High Holiday schedule of services, please note that we have added a Selichot Service on Saturday September 16th at 7:30 pm. This will be an opportunity for our congregation to come together in preparation for the High Holidays. A Kever Avot Service will also be held that morning at the Valley of the Sun Cemetery.

This year SLJC will have a congregational Break-Fast after the Yom Kippur service in the Chapel Center. Please join your friends and fellow congregants as we break the fast as a community.

I wish to thank everyone for their thoughts, calls and donations to my husband and to me in response to his illness and our car accident. We very much appreciate the support of the congregation during these difficult months.

The Sun Lakes Chapel had the induction loop system installed over the summer -- which magnetically transmits sound to hearing aids and cochlear implants with <u>telecoils</u> to help our congregants hear the service. If you have a hearing aid, please check to determine if you have a telecoil. Additional headsets will be available on a limited basis for congregants with hearing aids that do not have the telecoils.

In addition, the board has been highlighting the recruitment and retention of members as a key component to the success of SLJC. In discussions and with input from the congregation, a decision to offer free High Holiday tickets to **NEW** attendees for our High Holiday services has been made. These individuals will be considered as potential members and will have the opportunity to attend our High Holiday services and learn about the SLJC community. We will be advertising the High Holiday tickets in the local papers. Individuals wanting to come will be requested to sign up prior to the High Holiday services, and a request for a donation will be included in the flyer. Prior members and current members who do not rejoin for the year starting September 1, 2017 through August 31, 2018 are not eligible for free tickets. These individuals must join to receive tickets for the High Holidays. As a reminder tickets are **NOT** transferable. Guest tickets will be \$50. Ushers will be checking tickets at the door.

Wende Levy, President

The Annual Kever Avot service will be held on Saturday, September 24 - 10:30am at the Valley of the Sun Mortuary & Cemetery

Cantorial Notes: A New Year 5778

On Rosh Hashana the choir and I will be introducing a new song called "A New Year" by Michael Hunter Ochs. Michael is an acclaimed Jewish composer whose songs fill synagogues around the world. In my search for a new musical piece this year, I stumbled upon this wonderful tune. The lyrics represent what I truly feel for not only us, but the world around us.

May this be a year of love and kindness. May strangers come to be friends. May truth and compassion always guide us. Amen.

May this be a year of hope and healing for all of those in need. May all of our deeds be a blessing. Amen.

*A new year, a good year, a chance to start all over. A new year, a sweet year, a chance to bring us closer. (Last time to **)

May this be a year of selfless giving. May this be a year of peace. And may we forgive and be forgiven. Amen. *

**Closer to the ones we love. A world that we can be proud of as long as there are starts above. There comes a new year. Amen.

In 5778 let this be our prayer: may we all find a way to contribute to the world we wish to see. If you want a kinder world, be kind. If you want to see more understanding between those who disagree - be the person who offers this understanding in your own community. We can all make a difference! May it come to be!

L'Shanah Tovah,

Cantor Ronda

Bar Mitzvah of Simon Stewart Turner

Simon Stewart Turner, son of Jennifer and Sean Turner, will be called to the Torah as a Bar Mitzvah on Saturday, September 16th 2017 at 5:30pm. Simon attends Santan Junior High in Chandler, AZ. He likes to play almost all sports, but specializes in soccer and martial arts. Simon is a second degree blackbelt in Taekwondo and a first degree blackbelt in Muay Thai. Simon also loves watching movies, hanging out with his friends, and listening to 80s music. Simon started his Hebrew education at the East Valley Jewish Day School and continued his studies to prepare for his Bar Mitzvah with Cantor Ronda Polesky and Rabbi Wiener.

The service will be in the Sun Lakes Chapel.

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 SLJC THANKS YOU FOR YOUR RECENT CONTRIBUTIONS

ONEG FUND

Birthday Donations:

Esther Spear, Rita Ginsberg, Ruth Dolin, Colette Goldstein, Phyllis Novy, Charles Gerson, Raphael Heim, Irwin Plafker, Nancy Mohr

Anniversary Donations:

Irwin & Judy Plafker, Ellin & Lester Merritt, Marilyn & Sheldo Raizes, Elaine & Seymour Zolty, Nancy & Tom Mohr, Susanne & Howard Shapiro, Esther & Jeffrey Spear, Evey & Mike Freed

Other:

Doris & Ron Codkind in memory of Donald Backer

LONE SOLDIER PROJECT

Donna & Sheila Asroff Leah & Alan Bloom Joy & Stephen Fishman Hildy & Jeff Forman Charles Gerson Shirley & Jesse Gersten Cyril Goodman Susan & Stephen Kubrin Ruth & Allen Lavin Judy & Irwin Plafker Susan & Larry Shapiro Jean & David Waxman

MUSIC FUND

Gayle Dante: get well wishes for Allan Levy

CHAPEL FUND

Janey & Jeff Burnce for Harvey Fein birthday Geri & Jim Gould for Harvey Fein birthday

GENERAL FUND

Rita Solko for Sally Sher birthday Susan & Steven Kubrin in memory of Ruth Lazarus Linda & Bob Brooks in memory of Wes Shapiro

YAHRZEIT FUND (June Additions)

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Sandra Friedson	Edith Selserman
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YAHRZEIT FUND for July

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YAHRZEIT FUND for August

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SLJC Donation Forms

SUN LAKES JEWISH CONGREGATION DONATION FORM
Please accept this contribution to the following fund, in honor/memory
of
ChapelOnegMusicFamily FundFlowerYahrzeit
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Please send card to: Name
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Remit to: Betsey Silverrman, 1832 W. Havasu Way, Chandler Sun Lakes 85248 480-895-9187
Minimum donation of \$10.00, please)

WHEN DONATING TO DIFFERENT FUNDS, PLEASE ISSUE A SEPARATE CHECK FOR EACH FUND; OTHERWISE ALL THE MULTIPLE DONATIONS WILL BE POSTED TO THE SAME FUND. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION. IF A FUND IS NOT INDICATED, THE DONATION WILL BE APPLIED TO THE SLJC GENERAL FUND. BETSEY SILVERMAN

<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).

DONATION FORM TOYS FROM THE HEART

Name____ Address

Please send checks (in any amount) payable to SLJC Sisterhood to: Suzy Ziegler, 139 W. Briarwood Terrace, Phoenix, AZ 85045



CONGREGATION NEWS

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, Carol Biales, Rita Salko, 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>.

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.

SERVICE HONORS -

Anyone wishing to have an honor in any upcoming service, call SaraRuth.

Note: Donations to Jewish Free Loan up to \$400 per person entitle each donor to an AZ state tax credit (dollar for dollar)!



JOIN US FOR BREAK-FAST AFTER SERVICES ON SEPTEMBER **30, 2017** AT THE CHAPEL CENTER



Bagels and Assorted Breads * Lox * Tuna * Egg Salad * Creamed Herring * Cheese Platters * Cheese Spreads * Fruit Platters * Tossed Green Salad * Condiments Platters * Cakes * Cookies * Coffee * Tea * Lemonade

> For reservations - Make checks to SLJC and mail to Doris Codkind, 9038 E. Diamond Drive, Sun Lakes 85248 For further information call Doris at 480-883-1378 PLEASE ENCLOSE THIS FORM

and Names of Adults _____

of Children 10 and Under _____ # of Children 3 and Under _____

Your contact telephone number: ______ Adults: \$12.50 Children Aged 10 and Under: \$8.00 Children Under 3: No Charge

RESERVATION DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 15TH!!!

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 <u>http://www.evjcc.org/</u> for further information or you may contact the EVJCC at 480-897-0588.

SUN LAKES JEWISH CONGREGATION DUES STATEMENT

September 1, 2017 to August 31, 2018

Membership/per person **\$175.00** (which *includes one High Holiday Ticket per member*)

Note: Children of members who are 18 years of age or younger are free. Please note the child's name and age on the form to ensure that a ticket is provided to them.

Please remit check (payable to Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation)

Mail to: Bety Dar 25427 S. Glenburn Dr. Sun Lakes, AZ 85248

Name(s)_____

Amount remitted \$

HIGH HOLIDAY GUEST TICKETS

- The cost per ticket for adult guests is \$50.
- Tickets for guests who have never been members SLJC are FREE, but reservations are needed, a donation will be greatly appreciated.

Amount remitted \$ _____

Names and addresses of individuals you are purchasing tickets for

Note: if you are purchasing a ticket for a child please indicate their age.

OPTIONAL PAPER SHPIEL

Any member with email access to the Shpiel who also desires a paper copy of each issue through June 2018, needs to add \$25 to their payment. Members without email access will still receive a free paper copy.

Total Remittance \$_____

Note: If you did not fill out a membership form last year or have any changes or additions to your membership information, please send it with this form to Bety Dar. You can obtain the membership form from the SLJC WEB site <u>www.sljc.org</u>

Men's Club

The next meeting of the SLJC Men's Club will be September 5th at the Chapel House. We have an interesting speaker from Intel at 7PM following our usual time to socialize at 6:30 PM. Our annual Men's Club Brunch is September 24th at 10AM at Chompies in Chandler. For further information or questions, call Al Bloom 480-895-8120 or Michael Levitt 480-813-0550. New members are welcome to join our group and experience getting to know a great group of men. Join us at our meetings, on outings, and for lunch excursions. We welcome new ideas and recommendations.

Sisterhood

Sisterhood has an exciting year planned for this Fall. On October 19 we will have a speaker from the Phoenix Art Museum at our kick-off meeting. On November 15 our own Cantor Ronda Polesky will speak about the Role of Women Cantors in Music and Prayer. On December 21 Esther Spear will discuss "What's in a Name: the Genealogy of Jewish Surnames." You will receive more details about all of our activities in future emails and in The Shpiel.

Please be sure to send in your check for \$25 to **renew your membership for 2017-2018**. Fill out the form below and mail it as soon as possible to Suzy Ziegler, 139 W. Briarwood Terrace, Phoenix, AZ 85045. Make sure that you fill out all of the requested information so that we may communicate with you efficiently.

Sisterhood Membership Dues Form (2017-2018)

Name:

Address:

E-mail:

Phone:

Birthday (month/day)

Please send check for \$25, payable to SLJC Sisterhood, to Membership Suzy Ziegler, 139 W. Briarwood Terrace, Phoenix, AZ 85045.

Havurah Chai Welcomes Jewish Singles

On this Rosh Hoshana and Yom Kippur may your prayers be heard, as we send Blessings to you and your loved ones.

Come join in the fun with Havurah Chai Jewish Singles as we enter our 3rd year of great success! We'll be doing lots of fun events and anything else that seems like fun to expand our social circles and meet some new friends along the way. We have a vibrant group of 35 Singles just waiting to meet you!

Upcoming Havurah Chai Events:

Sep. 30 Break The Fast

Oct. Brunch & A few weeks later be an Artist

Nov. Music Instrument Museum & Lunch

Dec. 17 Chanukah Party

Jan. 1 New Year's Day Appetizer Party

Jan. Celebrate our 3rd year with a Progressive Dinner Party

For information please contact Lainy Sardina at: lainysardina@gmail.com

FRIENDS OF ISRAEL, SLJC presents:

STRATEGIES TO CONFRONT ANTI-ISRAEL AND ANTI-SEMITIC MEDIA

Ginette Weiner will make a presentation on October 29, 2017: "Action, Not Just Talk: Learn Concrete Strategies to Combat Media's Demonization of Israel and Jews".

Ginette is a published commentator in Jewish and mainstream newspapers, and a lecturer on strategies for combating media bias, antisemitism, and BDS. She holds a Certification in "Understanding Media Bias & Israel Advocacy: Defending Israel from Media Bias", 23rd Mission to Israel, Honest Reporting: June, 2015.

Ginette has many specific strategies to impart about standing up for Israel, confronting the resurgence of antisemitism and refuting falsehoods the media routinely puts out. She will discuss how to respond effectively to media bias using strategies ranging from writing cogent letters, to how to be an advocate with organizations, individuals and governmental agencies, right in your own backyard and beyond.

Please join us for her talk on **October 29, 2017 from 3 to 4:30 PM at the Sun Lakes Chapel Center,** 9240 E. Sun Lakes Blvd, Sun Lakes, AZ 85248. The talk is open to the entire community. Light refreshments will be served and there will be no solicitations. Contact Person: Michael Cohen, <u>mwcohen000@gmail.com</u>, 480 895 4660

Lone Soldier Project Begins a Hanukah Greeting Campaign

We are asking congregants to **write letters with Hanukah greetings** and expressions of appreciation for their service, dedication and courage to Lone Soldiers. We will be sending these letters in bulk to Chayal el Chayal (our Lone Soldier Center Israeli partner) for distribution. The center staff tells us that the soldiers LOVE to get letters which are very uplifting while they serve in the very demanding IDF. In order to get the letters to Israel in time for Hanukah, please consider writing them soon. Guideline for letter writing will be handed out at High Holiday services.

The project has entered its next phase of raising community awareness of the important role that Lone Soldiers from around the world play, in the defense of Israel. These courageous and dedicated young people deserve recognition and an expression of appreciation from the American Jewish Community for protecting the homeland of the Jewish People. Community presentations are scheduled for Jewish War Veterans, Post 619, the EVJCC and the East Valley Synagogues. During these events we will be asking that attendees write letters to Lone Soldiers.

The results of the project's initial effort has been excellent. Approximately 40 personal care packages and knitted hats have been supported by donations of \$25.00. Lone Soldiers continue to arrive in Israel and use the services of Chayal el Chayal. The need for more packages and hats continue. More donations will allow us to meet this need.

Please consider joining our effort. Donation forms will be available at services. We need more knitters for the hats that the soldiers need for cold weather assignments. Want to join in our committee or any questions, please e-mail at <u>lonesoldiersjc@gmail.com</u> or call 480 895 4660.

Note: For donations to the Lone Soldier Project, please make checks to Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation, and write LSP on "For" line. Mail to Doris Codkind, 9038 E. Diamond Dr., Sun Lakes, 85248



Jewish War Veterans (JWV)



The members of Post 619 Jewish War Veterans in Sun Lakes will be meeting on September 17 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. 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 nor veterans but want to help veterans and this post works tirelessly to help homeless and in-need veterans with many persons taking part. For reservations for the brunch that precedes the meeting please call Glenda Warshaw 480-802-7847 or email.

Devorah Hadassah

- Sept. 17th 12:30 pm Devorah Kick off Luncheon w/speaker Debbie Yunker at Pita Junction in Ahwatukee. Please contact Mireille at (Gardener65@cox.net) for details.
- **Oct. 4th** 10:30am Devorah general meeting held at EVJCC. Contact Gina Kaplan (squawkus@yahoo.com) for details.
- **Oct. 18th** 1:00pm Devorah Bingo Fundraiser held at EVJCC. There will be prizes, 50/50 and something to drink and knosh. Contact Ruth Kovac (ruthkovac@gmail.com) for details.

Shalom Chapter of Hadassah

We are planning a full year of activities, which will be held at the East Valley JCC, located at 908 N Alma School in Chandler between Ray Road & Chandler Blvd. Our first meeting, on Tuesday, September 19 will be a boutique show by several vendors plus lunch & a talk by Rabbi Beyo on "The Meaning of Rosh Hashanah." The buffet lunch includes Quiche, Quinoa Salad, Garden Salad, Garlic Bread Sticks, Cookies, Iced Tea & Coffee. Cost is \$15.00. Checks should be made payable to Shalom Hadassah & sent to Marsha Levine, 3805 County Down, Chandler AZ 85249. Please RSVP by September 8th.

On October 14, we will visit Hale Theater & see "Kiss & Tell"; more information will follow. Also in October, we have a "Fun-Fundraiser.' You can choose your date (either Tuesday, October 17th or Tuesday, October 31st) to join us for a cultural tour of the Native American part of the Wild Horse Pass Resort. Following the tour, we'll enjoy lunch at the Sivlik Restaurant at the golf club. Each trip is limited to 10 ladies. Car pools will be arranged. Questions should be referred to Kathy at 419-410-1962 or Diane at 480-895-6917.

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.

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- 1 Ellen Bromley
- 1 Cyril Warshaw
- Janice Cohen
 Michael Dar
- 4 Graciela Marz
- 5 Shirley Gersten
- 5 Evelyn Hall
- 8 Wendy Feldman-Kerr
- 10 Judy Walp
- 11 Stan Zimmerman
- 12 Steve Horowitz
- 12 Barbara Sommers
- 13 Linda Mundis
- 13 Rosalyn Sutker
- 15 Melvyn Bram
- 15 Linda Brooks
- 15 Tzvi Caplan
- 15 Mireille Kaplan
- 16 Marilyn Fein
- 16 Roberta Levitan
- 17 Lori Linder
- 19 Suzanne Wagner
- 20 Eric Kerr
- 20 Carole Victor
- 22 Toby Cohn
- 22 Judy Gross
- 22 Sydnee Shalita
- 23 Ruth Muenzer
- 23 Martin Silverman
- 24 Yetta Katz
- 27 Muriel Gross
- 28 Bert Friedman
- 28 Martin Levine
- 30 Judy Elias
- 30 Samuel Whitman



ANNIVERSARIES

- 5 Shelly & Arnie Henden
- 11 Marsha & Martin Levine
- 13 Alice & Mark Salita
- 16 Joyce & Samuel Whitman
- 19 Diane & Mark Mendelsohn
- 28 Yetta & Jonas Katz





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September Yahrzeits

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This is the time of year when we plan for our annual **"BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE"** in which we honor and memorialize our departed family members. This printed book is given out at the *YOM KIPPUR MEMORIAL SERVICE*. Since there are many members who leave for the summer months, and will want to have a listing in the book, we ask that you fill out the form below and send it in as soon as possible. The information must be received no later than **MONDAY**, **SEPTEMBER 4, 2017**.

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