

The Shpiel

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SUN LAKES JEWISH CONGREGATION

As we begin this New Year, may we ALL have a year of health and happiness and work together to

BUILD LASTING



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*L'Shanah
Tovah
Tikateivu*



Carol Horowitz

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

SLJC October 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 2:45 pm: Choir Practice	2 EREV ROSH HASHANAH FOOD DRIVE 7 pm: Erev Rosh Hashanah Srvc.	3 ROSH HASHANAH FOOD DRIVE 10 am: Rosh Hashanah Morning Service	4	5
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13 1:30 am: LAFF Audition	14	15	16 EREV SUKKOT 11 am-1 pm: Devorah Hadassah Food Collection (<i>location TBA</i>)	17 SUKKOT 1 pm: Sisterhood Meeting	18 SUKKOT	19 SUKKOT
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What the World Needs Now

Fifty years ago, a song was introduced that became an instant hit. Its title, "What the World Needs Now." It caught on for several reasons, but I believe the words ring true today, more than ever. All we need do

is turn our TVs on and witness the madness that surrounds us. No longer is it necessary for the media to create sensationalism to create a following. We are the characters in an ongoing epic of melodrama and mayhem.

Read the words and listen to the melody. You will find the accurate cry of the generations past and the hope, as well as the despair, of today:

"What the world needs now is love, sweet love,
It's the only thing that there's just too little of;
What the world needs now is love, sweet love,
No, not just for some, but for everyone."

Imagine the lament of a parent who witnesses the senseless death of a child caught in the quagmire of hate. Hear the cry of people taken from their homes and indiscriminately slaughtered because their beliefs differ from their murderers. Watch the planes drop bombs on cities and dwellings causing panic and displacement. Witness the world pontificating about issues that are far removed from reality.

Today, more than ever, we sit in our comfortable homes and stare at pictures of atrocities only read about a generation ago. The glamour of conflict has disappeared and has been replaced by the actuality of the gory details. Extremism has replaced common decency. We no longer think in terms of "Peace on Earth, good will toward men." This has become a momentary slogan followed the next day by sameness.

Do we ever stop to think about the abundance of goodness that surrounds us? Have we really considered that the more fortunate need to be concerned about those with less? Why do we concentrate on helping others at certain seasons of the year and then forget them the other days?

Look around and see the beauty that was created for us to enjoy. God did not cause all this to be part of our enjoyment of life, only to watch its destruction. We were given gifts for unimaginable fulfillment, yet we seem to enjoy squandering them rather than participating in these treasures.

Is one life worth more than the other? Do some deserve to live, and others die just to satisfy the living? There is enough mercy and justice for all, not just for a few. Look around, if you dare. What do you see?

Our fields are now strewn with bodies. Our meadows are soaked with the blood of the innocent. The lights of heaven are clouded with the smoke of bombs and cannons. The rainbow, which was sent to remind us of God's compassion, has added a black stream in mourning for civilization's ability to destroy rather than perpetuate. We ask God to listen to our cry, but we are the ones who do not hear the sounds of bitterness.

During the most heinous period in human history (World War II), the question was asked, "Where was God?" And the answer given, "Where was Man?" Where are we? Where are we going? We have forgotten that what the world needs now is love, sweet love. It's the only thing that's there just too little of...No, not just for some, but for everyone."

As we begin a New Year, it is my prayer that we will find peace and good fortune at the end of the rainbow. Hopefully the year 5785 will mark the beginning of a new birth of freedom: freedom from death and destruction, freedom from hate and vitriol, freedom from the fear of religious intolerance, and freedom from the extremism that has permeated our societies.

I pray for our country. I pray for those in harm's way. I pray for Israel as it struggles to remain a stronghold for our people. I pray for the men and women who serve our country in both peace and war. I pray for our community as it continues to offer comfort and solace to so many. Most of all, I pray that God hears our cries for help in bringing order back to our lives. *Shanah tovah!* 🙏



HIGH HOLY DAYS 2024 WITH SLJC

- Rosh Hashanah Day | October 3 | 10 am
- Kevor Avot October | October 6 | 10 am
- Continental Breakfast Valley of the Sun Mortuary Service | 10:30 am followed by burial of sacred items
- Kol Nidre | October 11 | 7 pm
- Yom Kippur | October 12 | 10 am
- Rabbi Conversation | October 12 | 2 pm
- *Mincha* | October 12 | 3 pm
- *Yizkor* | October 12 | 4 pm
- *Ne'elah* | October 12 | 4:30 pm
- Break-the-Fast | October 12 | 5 pm | SL Country Club



Remembrance

By Rabbi Irwin Wiener, D.D.

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

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

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

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

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

We have the capacity to rekindle the flame of pleasant remembrances, of laughter and joyous occasions so that the memories of our loved ones will remain a blessing. How? By adding a Memorial Plaque that is situated in the lobby of the Chapel. It is our rendition of *Yahrzeit* Tablets, like the ones we may have had in our former respective congregations.

How fortunate we are to be able to enter the Chapel each time we have religious services or celebrations and gaze upon the names of our loved ones. How fortunate we are to be able to mount the names of the memories we hold in a place that will ensure their perpetuity. Perhaps, as you receive a *yahrzeit* reminder from the congregation, you would consider this act of goodness that will immortalize your ancestors. Additionally, it is a most blessed way of supporting our congregation as well.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

SHELLY HENDEN



Welcome Back

President's Message

It was so nice to see so many familiar faces at the September service. I look forward to seeing many more of you at our always beautiful and meaningful High Holiday

Services. You all should have received an eblast that we are not mailing tickets for the Holidays, so it will not be necessary for you to say that you forgot... or that they are in your other purse or jacket. Look for the times and dates of the Holidays.

Important dates and events coming up this month and next: (Please take note of these as our chairpersons have worked very hard to bring them to us.)

OCTOBER

- 22: Fundraiser at Macayo's
- 27: Adult Education/JCC, 2 pm

NOVEMBER

- 8: Services honoring the JWV
- 9: Hale Theatre "Holiday Inn," 4 pm
- 12: Annual Congregational Meeting, 7 pm

I mentioned at the service that our membership is declining due to deaths and relocations and I ask you to

talk to your friends in and around the East Valley who are not affiliated and express to them that we need to keep our community alive and surviving just as the people of our homeland in Israel are doing each and every day. We are the best bargain in town and have a wonderful Rabbi, Cantor, and Choir that make our services so outstanding.

The Men's Club will be collecting food for Matthew's Crossing on Rosh Hashanah Eve and Day. Let's help those that are in need.

Reservations for the Hale Theatre Fundraiser of Irving Berlin's musical "Holiday Inn" can be made by calling either Marcia Weiner at (480) 802-9455 or Shelly Schwartz at (480) 802-3608.

I am going to sound like a broken record with the following messages. We need more of you to get involved by just calling me and asking what can I do. Several of the committees need extra help and I can direct you to the individuals. We also need participants for the services. I try as best as I can to ask what you can do, and celebrating a birthday or anniversary, but it would save me time and effort if you would let me know that you would like an honor. And for those of you who aren't celebrating anything, you too can have an honor. Please call me.

From the Henden home to yours, we want to wish you a happy, healthy, and most of all a safe New Year. 🎉

SLJC MEN'S CLUB

Food donations will be collected by the SLJC Men's Club, Rosh Hashanah Eve, Wednesday, October 2, before the service. They will also be collected on Thursday, October 3, before the morning service. No perishables, please. All collected food will be donated to Matthew's Crossing Food Bank of Chandler. Their mission is to provide food to our neighbors in need in the fight against hunger.





BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wendy Feldman-Kerr

I am a third generation New York Life Agent, following in the footsteps of grandfather Ben, father Rich, and uncle Marv. I ventured out west to obtain my Master of Arts Degree in Communication, becoming a New York Life Agent on Groundhog Day 1986, and owning my own firm, The Feldman Agency. As a financial advisor I specialize in personal, business, estate & retirement planning, as well as insurance and investments planning.

With a passionate desire to share my leadership and organizational capabilities, I actively contribute my time and energy to the betterment of my community. I served in various capacities on the Queen Creek Town Council culminating in three terms as Mayor, raising the standard for all citizen leaders. My passion was to provide opportunities for all citizens to get involved in community issues, to commit to improving lives and to take responsibility for shaping their community. I instituted several programs aimed to build community and forge networks between people of different backgrounds.

I also served as Chair of the Phoenix-Mesa Gateway Airport Authority, the Maricopa Association of Governments, the Queen Creek Cultural Foundation, serving also on the boards of the East Valley Jewish Day School and the Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation.

When not at work or volunteering, I can be found with my family enjoying our dogs, cat, horses and mules as well as watching movies, attending theater and traveling.

As a board member and past president of SLJC, I have enjoyed my current position as SLJC Treasurer and would like to continue.

Barbara Ganz

I am a retired community college educator. Currently, I spend time with a variety of volunteer assignments. I volunteer for the Friends of the Tempe Library Bookstore, Maricopa County Justice Courts as a Civil Traffic Hearing Officer, and other civic and political

organizations. During my time as a board member at Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation, I have chaired a planning process as well as the Adult Education Committee.

Wendy Goldstein

I have served on the board for Sun Lakes Congregation for 3 years and would like to continue offering my talent in serving on the board for 2 more years. I have planned Break the Fast event for the past few years, and I manage the plaque orders for our families and friends.

I attend many of our events and all our services and participate on the bima when asked. I love working for our synagogue. I hope you will still give me the honor of serving another term on the SLJC Board.

Martin Levine

My wife Marsha and I moved to Arizona in 2013 with the intent of aiding her mother, already living here, and helping our daughter and her husband by assisting with their children's school schedules.

We joined the Temple in 2015. We befriended many congregants by attending services. I was elected to the Board of Directors and am now completing my second term. In 2021 I was elected as the Recording Secretary. I joined the Men's Club and became an active member; I am now the elected Treasurer. I have been involved in the Shpiel mailing and distribution. I continue to be on the membership committee and now serve as part of the newly created Membership Retention Committee.

I would like to continue serving the Temple as part of the Temple's elected Board of Directors.

Susan Plambeck

I would like to introduce myself as a candidate for the SLJC Board of Directors. My name is Susan Cooper Plambeck and my husband and I have lived in Sun Lakes since 2018. I have served on the Board for the past three years.

R NOMINATIONS

I grew up in Queens, New York and graduated from Queens College with a BA degree in French and History. Once married, we moved to Fargo, ND, where I had our two children, a son and a daughter, who now both are married and live in the twin cities of Minnesota. I earned a BS degree in Elementary Education from Minnesota State University Moorhead. I taught in the Fargo School System and for the State of North Dakota for 22 years.

Finally tired of the cold and snow, we retired and moved to Palo Verde in Sun Lakes in 2018. We love living here and meeting new friends. My one passion is playing Maj Jongg and I have opportunities to play here and back in the lakes area of Minnesota in our summers at our lake home.

I would appreciate your support to continue on the SLJC Board of Directors. Feel free to contact me at (701) 261-6612 if you would like to know me better.

Bobby Sachs

Bobby has been an active volunteer at SLJC since her arrival from Florida with her now late partner, Sid Berger. Bobby is a trained and certified Grief Counselor, and she has been leading a grief support group at our congregation and has also been active in the new Membership Retention group. Bobby is running for her second term on the BOD.

Susan (Susie) Shapiro

My husband, Larry, and I moved to Sun Lakes in April 2010, from San Jose, CA, where I worked for 25 years for the Western Digital Corporation as Manager of Document Control and Engineering Services.

Shortly after our move here we became members of the Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation. We loved the Rabbi and congregation immediately, and it was not long before I started getting involved.

In September of 2010 I became the webmaster for

the SLJC.org website and joined Sisterhood. As a part of Sisterhood, I joined the board and was co-chair for Card Party for two years, programming chair, and recording secretary.

I serve on the Chapel Board as both webmaster of the Chapel website and scheduler for all events held in either the Chapel or Chapel Center. I am also Membership Chair for SLJC, making sure that yearzeits, birthdays, and anniversaries are submitted monthly to the Shpiel as well as tracking all membership prospects, applications, and dues. In addition, I am a member of our Choir. I would like to continue my tenure on the Board of Directors.

Murray Siegel

Murray retired from teaching mathematics and statistics at ASU. He spent 42 years teaching full-time. His late wife, Sharon, was also a retired math teacher. He has lived in AZ, CA, GA, MS, NJ, NY, SC, TX and Guam, and belonged to a synagogue or a Jewish group in all those places. Prior to teaching, he was an executive and a USAF electronic warfare officer. He holds a B.S. in Engineering Physics from NYU and a Ph.D. in Mathematics Education from Georgia State U. Murray has also served on the BOD as Finance Committee director, Adult Education chair, and Publicity chair.

ADULT EDUCATION 2024-2025

CONNECT WITH OTHERS IN OUR CONGREGATION THROUGH STUDY AND LEARNING

The theme for this year's educational events is understanding the value and purpose of life. The purpose is to enhance our lives and enjoy the simple pleasures of life-long learning, build relationships with others in our congregation and observe the Sabbath through study.

Three remaining sessions have been planned for the year. The presenter of each will be Rabbi Wiener. They will take place on Saturday mornings at 10:30 am at the Chapel Center. Participants will share a *Kiddush* at each of the sessions. Please save the following dates so you can join us for these interesting topics:

November 23, 10:30 AM, Chapel Center
Engaging in Meaningful Relationships: The Importance in Our Lives

January 25, 10:30 AM, Chapel Center
Creating and Understanding Meaning, Purpose and Fulfillment in Life

March 15, 10:30 AM, Chapel Center
The Lessons of Purim for Today: Survival, Pride in Our Identity, Strength in Time of Crisis

SLJC RESTAURANT FUNDRAISERS

Our season will be underway with our first restaurant fundraiser to be held on **Tuesday, October 22 from 5-9 pm at Macayo's Restaurant**, 2885 S. Alma School Road, Chandler. They will be giving SLJC 20% from dine-in food. Everyone must present the flyer (at right) to participate. Please mark this date on your calendars.

The next restaurant fundraiser, coming up on **Tuesday, December 17**, will be at Brooklyn V's. All Brooklyn V's locations will be part of this fundraiser. They are also giving 20% of dine-in and take-out meals for lunch or dinner. More information to come. Flyers will be shared in "The Shpiel."

Hope you have the dates on your calendars and come and support restaurants that are in your area. They have been wonderful to work with.

If you have any questions, please contact Shirley Shalett, tieman11@q.com.



LONE SOLDIER PROJECT

PLEASE SUPPORT LONE SOLDIERS THIS YEAR; THEY REALLY NEED TO HEAR FROM US!

By Michael Cohen

On October 7, 2024, the war against Hamas has gone on for one year. Just imagine what Lone Soldiers from around the world or from Israel have experienced during this war which began with atrocities by Hamas and continues with the recent coldblooded murder of six hostages.

The Michael Levin Lone Soldier Center reported in July 2024 that requests for help from recently discharged soldiers have surged by approximately 50%, while demands for mental health assistance have risen by about 60%. In particular, Lone Soldiers require our support in preparing for combat and coping with post-traumatic stress. Many of them have lost friends or experienced the traumatic events of October 7, highlighting their need for professional guidance to navigate these challenging times.

Your words of appreciation will tell them that American Jews in Chandler, Arizona recognize the stress, danger, anxiety and risks they are going through to regain the Jewish homeland's stability and security. They need to read these words from you to keep going!



Take a packet at SLJC services, write a letter from your heart and return it at the next service before December 5, 2024. If you don't attend services and want a packet, please call Michael Cohen at (480) 895-4660.

FRIENDS OF ISRAEL

“HONEST REPORTING” CHIEF CONCLUDES ISRAEL SERIES

Sunday, October 27, 2 pm, Location in Sun Lakes TBA



Mr. Gil Hoffman, Executive Editor of the Pro-Israel media watchdog from Israel, will speak on: “Peace, Politics and Propaganda: An Insider’s Look at the Fight for Israel on the Military and Media Battlefields.” He served for 24 years as chief political correspondent and analyst for *The Jerusalem Post*, where he is now a regular columnist. The *Algemeiner* website recently named him one of the top 100 people positively influencing Jewish life, alongside presidents, prime ministers and Jewish leaders.

Rabbi Mikael Beyo began the series, laying the historical foundation for modern events by reviewing the geographical, religious, cultural and military features of radical Muslims in Israel. He noted that they are supported by outside radicals determined to eliminate the state of Israel, leading to the past "76 years of conflict and intermittent wars.

Mr. Hoffman will focus on the current war and how Israel must fight these radical elements as well as international media who for a variety of reasons are chronically critical of Israel, which dramatically biases their news reporting.

This free event will be held in Sun Lakes. RSVP required to barbara374@cox.net. Location information will be provided to registrants a few days prior to the event.

Questions? Email Israelsunlakes@gmail.com or call Michael Cohen at (480) 895-4660.



ANNOUNCING AUDITIONS FOR A UNIQUE MUSICAL COMEDY!

The play will be presented by a new group sponsored by Sun Lakes Jewish Community to provide entertainment and camaraderie:

"LAFF" -Laughter And Friendship Forever!

(Bringing Laughter and Friendship to Our Interfaith Community!)

Auditions for the hysterically funny original MUSICAL COMEDY, "THE FAMILY TREE", an interfaith production, will be held on **Sunday, October 13th**, from 2-5pm in the Chapel Center, 9230 E. Sun Lakes Blvd.

Inviting **ALL** who live in Sun Lakes and nearby communities who are interested in **ACTING, SINGING, DANCING, or PIANO ACCOMPANIMENT** to audition and join us for an afternoon of laughter and camaraderie!

Not a performer? We also need people who'd enjoy participating in non-performing ways, such as tech and crew areas of lighting, sound, and teleprompter, as well as with costumes, set design, and stage and "green room" assistants.

THERE WILL BE NOTHING TO MEMORIZE! There will be something for **ALL** who are interested in participating to do!

Talent is always great, but having fun and laughing together is what this is all about!

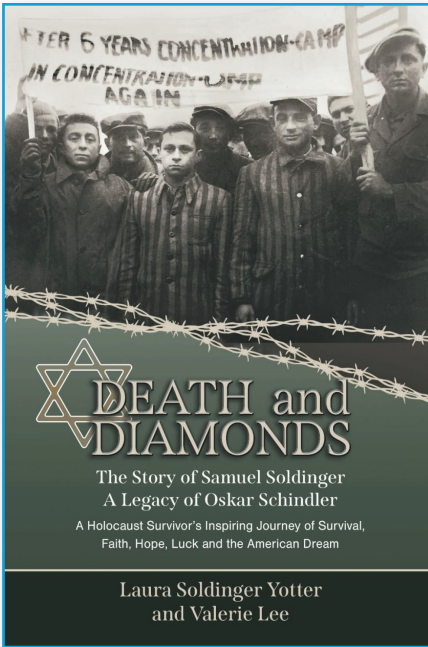
PERFORMANCE DATES: MARCH 29^t . 30th, and APRIL 5th, 6th in the **BALLROOM (ARIZONA ROOM) AT SUN LAKES COUNTRY CLUB**. *Rehearsals will mostly be scheduled on Sunday afternoons.*

So we know how many to expect, please let us know if you plan to attend, by emailing Carol Horowitz at chorowitz@live.com or calling 760-271-2758. Please indicate your area(s) of interest.

Please mark your calendars!

SLJC SISTERHOOD

Next Event: Thursday, October 17, 1 pm, Chapel House



At the season's first meeting of the Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation's Sisterhood, our speaker will be Mr. Jody Crago from the Chandler Museum. He will speak about "Death & Diamonds," the inspiring true story of Samuel Soldinger, who survived seven Nazi concentration camps during the Holocaust, worked for Oskar Schindler, and was finally liberated from Mauthausen Death Camp in World War II. Samuel eventually made his way to America and landed a position with diamond magnate Harry Winston, teaching Native Americans in Arizona the art of diamond cutting. The presentation is based on the book "Death & Diamonds: The Story of Samuel Soldinger," by Laura Soldinger Yotter. It is an inspiring journey of survival, faith, hope, luck, and the American dream. This program was originally scheduled for last April and we are fortunate to have it rescheduled for October 17. The public is invited to attend.

Save the date for our Annual Card Party fundraiser for local charities. The event will be held on February 24, 2025 in the Oakwood Country Club. More details to follow soon. Our paid-up membership luncheon will also be our annual Hanukkah party on December 19. Be sure to send in your check for membership as soon as possible if you have not already done so. Information is on the membership form below.

Sisterhood Membership Dues Form (July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025)

NOTE: We do not share information with anyone. For Sisterhood use only.

Name: _____

Address: _____

E-mail: _____

Phone: _____

Birthday (month/day only): _____

Please send **this form and a check for \$30**, payable to SLJC Sisterhood, to:
Wendy Goldstein, 24031 S Lakeway Circle NW, Sun Lakes AZ 85248

CONTRIBUTIONS



Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation gratefully acknowledges the following contributions made in honor or memory of a special person or event. If you would like to make a contribution, please use the donation form on the opposite page.

CHAPEL FUND

In honor of Lois Garber's
75th birthday
by Jeff & Esther Spear

FAMILY FUND

In honor of the birth
of Shelly & Havery
Schwartz's great
grandson
by Marcia & Harvey Weiner

GENERAL FUND

In memory of Harold
Fineberg
by Zale & Judy Asbell
In memory of Sam Asbell
by Zale & Judy Asbell
In honor of our 60th
wedding anniversary
*by Linda & William
Wasserman*
In memory of Sandi
Wiener
by Colette Goldstein
In memory of Harold
Fineberg
by Rita Solko
Miscellaneous
*by James & Marianne
Mertzel*
Miscellaneous
by Diane Zelinger
In memory of Harold
Fineberg
by Arnie & Shelly Henden

SILVERMAN FUND

In honor of the birth
of Shelly & Havery
Schwartz's great
grandson
by Marilyn & Harvey Fein
In memory of Sy Evans
by SLJC Men's Club

YAHARZEIT FUND

In memory of Sam
Eisenman
by Marilyn Koss
In memory of San Asbell
by Zale & Judy Asbell
In memory of Jerome
Bender
by Judy Walp
In memory of Charles
Cohen
by Betsey Silverman
In memory of Michael
Goldner
by Susan Tauber
In memory of Abraham
Bennett
by Roxanne Banta
In memory of Bertha
Levinson
*by Marjorie & David
Levinson*
In memory of Marion
Feinberg
by Sheilah (Lee) Ross

In memory of Justin
Friedman
by Ruth Friedman
In memory of Fran Fink
by Rabbi Wiener
In memory of Rose
Rokeach H. Baumrind
by Anne Baumrind
In memory of Donald
Backer
by Marilyn & Harvey Fein
In memory of Rhona
Medress
by Sheryl Rockwell
In memory of Louis
Shienfield
by Geri & Jim Gould
In memory of Milt Moss
by Mel Moss
In memory of Jacquy
Moss
by Mel Moss
In memory of Samuel
Weinberg
by Judy & Irwin Plafker
In memory of Rose
Goldstein
by Judy Elias
In memory of Ruth Plafker
by Judy & Irwin Plafker
In memory of Loretta
Weber
by Judy & Irwin Plafker

In memory of Goldie
Sontag
by Karen Hasenfus
In memory of Alfred Freed
by Cyril Goodman
In memory of Hyman
Pollock
by Marilyn & Alan Behr
In memory of Yetta
Weintraub
by Sonny & Margie White
In memory of Bernice
Gru
by Arthur (Barry) Miller
In memory of Richard
Green
by Sherry Green
In memory of Ella Lerner
by Arnie & Shelly Henden

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

You are invited to celebrate Sukkot on the Feldman-Kerr mini-farm under the Sukkah on Sunday, October 20 from 11am-1 pm for a potluck lunch. Please join us for traditional Sukkot songs, mingling, and fun. Last names A-G, please bring a dessert; H-N, please bring an appetizer; O-T, please bring a main dish; U-Z, please bring a side dish.

SAVE THE DATE: The SLJC Annual meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 12 at 7 pm in the Chapel Center.

Please register for the Friends of Israel speaker, Gil Hoffman, on October 27. Details are elsewhere in the Shpiel.

SAVE THE DATE: The Break-Fast will be held Saturday, October 12. Please see the flyer for more details.

SLJC offers condolences to the family of Harold Fineberg.

SLJC sends a speedy get well to Rita Ginsberg, following a recent hip replacement.

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

SLJC Donation Form (please print clearly)

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

Fund: Chapel Family Fund Music Oneg Silverman General

Yahrzeit Honoree: _____ Month _____

Please send card to:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Donor: _____ Amt. of Check \$ _____

Address _____

Remit to: Marjorie Levinson, 9533 E Sundune Drive, Sun Lakes, AZ 85248

Please make checks payable to SLJC.

*Minimum donation of \$10 per person being remembered/honored.

MEMBER INFORMATION / DUES FORM FOR SUN LAKES JEWISH CONGREGATION

July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025

Please complete the form below in order to update our database even if you have done so before and send to **Susie Shapiro, 24117 S Lakeway Circle NE, Sun Lakes, Az 85248.**

Date: _____

Name #1 _____ Name #2 _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Email: _____

Birthday: (Month) _____ (Day) _____ Birthday: (Month) _____ (Day) _____

Hebrew names (full name using transliteration, e.g. Reuven ben Yoseph or Malka bat Chaim

Your Anniversary: (Month) _____ (Day) _____

Yahrzeit (English month only) – if more than five, please add page:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Relation</u>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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Membership per person \$200 (includes one High Holiday ticket per member)

HIGH HOLIDAY TICKETS

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

The cost per ticket for adult guests is \$75

Names of individuals you are purchasing tickets for:

Total Remittance: _____ payable to S.L.J.C

OCTOBER CELEBRATIONS

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

9 Ronald & Doris Codkind	17 Arthur & Linda Mundis	19 Stephen & Susan Kubrin
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10 Stan & Helene Zimmerman	18 Geoffery & Lois Garber	26 Lloyd & Susan Schaeffer

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

1 Lori Mangel	9 Anita Frindell	17 Susie Shapiro	25 Sarah Weiner
1 Eunice Goldberg	9 Berlyn (Sonny) Jr. White	18 Jerri Siegel	28 Barry Memberg
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OCTOBER YAHRZEITS

Zichronam livrachah — may their memories be a blessing.

Pearl Arnow	Edward Freedman	William Jacobsohn	Louis Shienfield
Sam Asbell	Justin Friedman	Benjamin Kaplan	Ralph Siegel
Rose Rokeach	Paula Garber	Madeline Kochman	Manuel Smigel
Baumrind	Bernice Groban	Florence Kraus	Eleanor Strauss
Jerome Bender	Gilbert	Ella Lerner	Joan Warnecke
Betty Bendick	Robert Glazer	Jacob Levine	Rachel Wiener
Abraham Bennett	Michael Goldner	Bertha Levinson	Sydney Wolin
Donald Backer	Rose Goldrich	Ruth Lubisch	
Jennie Brajtberg Bright	Louis Goldstein	Rhona Medress	
Charles Cohen	Myron Granoff	Morton Memberg	
Leon Cooperman	Richard Green	Jacquey Moss	
Samuel Eisenman	Jean Hendricks	Milt Moss	
Joel Evans	Bruce L Hern	Meyer Plotkin	
Marion Feinberg	Beatrice Holstein	Harry Plotkin	
Fran Fink	David Holstein	Bernard Polesky	
Emanuel Fishman	Nancy Hopkins	Hyman Pollock	
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Al Freed	Morris L. Jacobs	Richard Rabstein	



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Learn the basic facts about Israel, its historical roots and the impact of the Oct. 7 attack on the world's perception of Israel today.

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DEVORAH HADASSAH

Come join the fun and meet new friends! For information on Hadassah and attending our events, please contact Eliana Bar-Shalom by phone (860) 377-7126 or email at ebarshalom.eb@gmail.com.

General Meeting

We will meet on **Wednesday, October 23 at 10:30 am**. The topic is "A Journey through the states from the Jewish perspective." After the meeting, we will be going to lunch at Firebirds Grill in Chandler. RSVP to Gail Scheck at (480) 570-6819.

Literary Ladies Book Group

The second Wednesday of each month is our book group called Literary Ladies and is held on Zoom at 1:30 pm. The upcoming book we will be discussing *Lady Tan's Circle of Women* by Lisa See on Wednesday, October 9.

Food Drive

The third Wednesday between 11 am and 1 pm we collect non-perishable food for JFCS (Jewish Family

& Children's Services) in various communities in the East Valley.

Out to Lunch

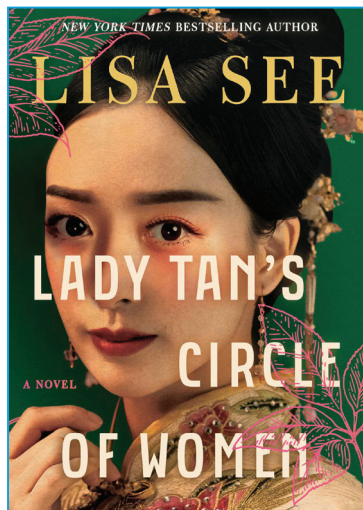
Our next Out to Lunch will be held **Wednesday, October 23 at 1 pm**. Restaurant to be determined. For more information, please contact Gail Scheck at gscheck85206@yahoo.com.

Chai Flicks Movie Group

The dates and movies vary each month but include a discussion of the film at lunch following the film. Stay tuned for more information.

Did you know that Devorah Hadassah sells greeting cards? We have cards for all occasions: birthday, condolence, bar/bat mitzvah, anniversary, get well, congratulations, in honor of, and major holidays. We sell these for \$2 each or, if you want to have a selection on hand, we sell 12 for \$21.

However, if you just need an occasional card(s), let us know and we will mail it for you and pay the postage. Such a deal! We also have several different certificates ranging in price from \$5, \$18 to \$100. These are ready to view at all in-person events. Contact Susan Fox at (520) 705-3226 to order or to ask questions.



SOMETHING YOU MIGHT NOT KNOW

AMIT ELOR *By Murray Siegel*

If you were watching the Paris Olympics, you might have seen Amit Elor win a gold medal for the United States in women's freestyle wrestling in the 68-kg class. At 20 years of age, Amit was the youngest American, either male or female, to win an Olympic gold medal in wrestling.

Amit was born and raised in Walnut Creek, CA and currently is studying applied mathematics and psychology at Diablo Valley College. Both grandfathers were Holocaust survivors who emigrated to Israel. Her parents, Yair and Elana, came to the U.S. when Yair accepted an athletic scholarship to Boise State University in Idaho, to compete in the shot put and discus throw.

Amit spoke only Hebrew until she attended preschool and began wrestling at age four. In 2019, she received the California High School Champion of Champions award. At the Olympics, she outpointed the 2023 reigning world champion Buse Tosun Çavuşoğlu of Turkey in the first round (10-2), three-time European U23 champion Wiktoria Chołuj of Poland in the second round (8-0),



Pak Sol-gum of North Korea in the semi-finals (10-0), and 2021 world champion Meerim Zhumanazarova of Kyrgyzstan in the finals (3-0).

After the gold medal victory, Amit received antisemitic and pro-Hamas messages on social media. Her response was, "Eighty years ago my grandparents survived the Holocaust, but antisemitism is still all around us. My grandparents won. I won. Humanity will win. Never Again."

JEWISH WAR VETERANS COPPER STATE POST 619

JWV SPEAKER HELPS VETERANS IN NEED DURING OFF HOURS

Sunday, October 20, 9:30 am, Bradford Room A, Oakwood Country Club, 24218 S. Oakwood Blvd., Sun Lakes

Marcus Lamar Brown, founder and president of Veterans 5-9, will explain how his organization helps veterans after hours when he speaks to Jewish War Veterans Post 619 on Sunday, October 20. The meeting takes place in Bradford Room A at Oakwood Country Club, 24218 S. Oakwood Blvd in Sun Lakes. A "Meet & Greet," with FREE lox and bagels, coffee, and doughnuts starts at 9:30 am. The speaker follows at 10 am. All are welcome. (Please note venue!)

The Veterans 5-9 provides nighttime and weekend support services to veterans currently in the military or exiting soon and reintegrating from incarceration. Options Veterans 5-9 includes resources for substance abuse, mental health, food, lodging, and transportation, which are normally only available on weekdays during normal business hours. When the 5 o'clock hour/ weekend hits, service providers aren't available, and veterans are left to fend for themselves.

To help accomplish their mission, Veterans 5-9 partners with various ground-level organizations. "All of our partners have a wealth of resources and talented members ready to help," states Brown. "Our streamlined process means veterans are assisted immediately and not just told to call another number. The overall goal is to immediately stop the emergency, and work on long term resources to ensure you get over the hump," Brown tells the veterans. To ensure the veteran has a strong support group, Veterans 5-9 provides a comprehensive follow up system to provide continuity as they stabilize and rebuild their lives.

Brown provided a perfect example of how 5-9 works. He was at a spring training game when he got a call from a constable who had to evict a veteran. "The constable gave him our number to call saying we might be able to assist him. I immediately left the game, put this now homeless veteran in a hotel for a night, and provided food for him and his cat. The next day we assisted with paying all eviction fees to get him right back into the same apartment. This veteran was very appreciative that he was not left behind," concluded Brown.



△ Jewish War Veterans speaker Marcus Lamar Brown, Founder of Veterans 5-9, helps veterans in emergency situations evenings and weekends when service providers are unavailable and facilities are closed.

Marcus Brown is a native of Casa Grande, Arizona, growing up playing sports and hoping one day to make it to the Olympics for track & field. After 9/11, he decided to join the Marine Corps in 2004, completing two tours to the Middle East as a part of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom. "I was taught to never leave anyone behind," claims Brown. "Our work is so impactful because we work to accomplish this every day."

JWV Post 619, which meets the third Sunday of every month from September to May, boasts members who represent a wide range of religious affiliations and participates in philanthropic activities to help veterans of all faiths. To learn more about JWV activities and membership, contact Arthur Uram, (702) 884-4175, uramarthur@gmail.com. Thank you for supporting our veterans.

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Guest speaker: Renee Karson (2G)
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