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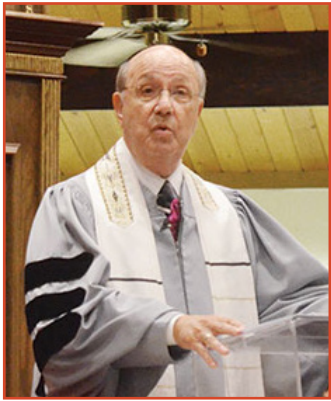
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Purim

Several things come to mind when the holiday of Purim peeks through the maze of calendar days and dates. For example, there is the understanding that it is unique in the Jewish experience. Nowhere in our celebrations do we

commemorate victory with merriment. In fact, we are taught that we have a duty, an obligation, to *not* rejoice over the misfortune of others. Yet, here we are, rejoicing over the demise of villains determined to destroy us.

There are several examples in the Bible describing our obligation to show compassion during misfortune. But the equation changed when the Nazis systematically designed a “final solution,” which included the indiscriminate murder of the Jewish people wherever they were located just because they were Jewish. The agenda was short, simple, and direct. There was no pretense of Jews being “too numerous” or too strong, as Biblical history teaches.

In the Book of Esther, though, we learn that Haman remarks in his diatribe to the Persian King, “A certain people scattered about and dispersed among other peoples...” (meaning Jews), should be resented because they are different. How many times have we seen hatred surface when we do not understand someone or find that person or persons so different that it frightens us? That is why we gravitate to like kinds when settling somewhere or finding ourselves in a controlled environment.

Purim also gives us an opportunity to escape from reality. We dress differently; we masquerade as someone else, all in a frenzy to elude the terrible misfortune that awaits as a metaphorical Haman and his cohorts develop a scheme to rid themselves of the Jewish presence. The Jewish people arm themselves to fight the corruption and evil that was demonstrated. After all, according to the Talmud, if someone comes to murder you, move first to kill him. (Murder and killing are explained as two different things. Our first obligation is to defend ourselves. If, in the process someone is killed, it is not the same as purposely setting out to murder that someone.)

Purim is the one exception that permits us to celebrate our deliverance and escape to a world of make-believe. It is the stuff that dreams are made of. It is the magic coach that takes us to forever land, as the stroke of midnight approaches. It is sweetness and happiness giving us the ability to enjoy every moment of our lives in goodness and love.

Dance, be merry, laugh, hide, be someone else, and then remember that Purim exists to encourage us to imagine a brighter tomorrow with all its noisemakers and dancing. The name of evil is drowned out by the tumult. Perhaps then, we will fully understand the essence of the story, whether true or not, that, as Isaiah taught us, “Cease to do evil, and learn to do good. Seek justice and relieve the oppressed.” Maybe that is why we particularly distribute charity at this time in our cycle of life’s journey.

However, the most unique aspect of Purim is the dialogue we have regarding the purpose and supposed absence of God in things that seem to be evil. Maimonides debates this in his Guide to the Perplexed and in his Mishnah Torah. He talks about good and evil, and the part played by God in both.

Purim is a holiday, the last in the Jewish sequence, that allows us to examine our role in accepting what happens or make the effort to allow our goodness to dominate our lives. Purim is a holiday that enables us to understand that we must take control of our destiny. Purim is a holiday that helps us comprehend the meaning of freedom as fully described in a holiday that follows just four weeks later – Passover, the ultimate expression of self-determination. For now, eat hamantaschen.

Chag Purim Sameach – Happy Purim ! 🥰



MARCH

- **Havurah Chai Singles Group:** Next meeting will be held on Sunday, March 3 at 10 am at 245413 S. Stony Lake Court, Sun Lakes. There will be a discussion to decide on the best days to hold events. A continental brunch will be served. Call (303) 229-2511 for more information.
- **Sisterhood:** Monday, March 11 at 10 am is the Annual Fundraising Card Party at Oakwood Country Club. For information contact Carol at (480) 895-3168.
- **Men's Club:** Tuesday, March 12 at noon is a lunch meeting at BJ'S Restaurant on Ray Road. Lunch specials will be available. Call Edd Shalett at (480) 883-9159 with questions. Next lunch will be April 9. There will be a food collection before the Erev Shabbat service in April.
- **Grief Support Group:** On Wednesday, March 13 at 1 pm the SLJC Grief Support Group will meet at the Chapel House. This group is open to anyone in need of comfort and support following any bereavement. Bobby Sachs is a certified support instructor and all sessions are confidential. They are really recommended, even if you don't think you need them. For questions, call Bobby at (480) 802-7429.
- **Devorah Hadassah:** Wednesday, March 13, 1:30 pm will be the Literary Ladies discussing *The Paris Library*. March 20 from 11-1 is a JFCS food collection. Wednesday, March 27 at 10:30 am is the general meeting at EVJCC. Send in your reservation for the Wednesday, April 3 Game Day.

- **Jewish War Veterans:** Sunday, March 17 at 9:30 am is the monthly meeting at the Poolside Building. Lox and bagels will be served. At 10 am, the speaker, Joyce Petrowski, will talk about Fraud Awareness & Protection. For more information, contact Arthur Uram at (702) 884-4175, arthur@highstreetretail.net.
- **Adult Education Committee:** On Sunday, March 17 at 2 pm at the Chapel Center, Rabbi Wiener will speak about *Jewish Traditions, Customs, and Laws: The Differences, Symbolism, and Evolution of Them*.

APRIL

- **A Deli Line**, a musical comedy, will hold performances on Saturdays, April 6 at 7 pm and April 13 at 2:30 pm. For tickets, call Wendy at (480) 895-5909.
- **Friends of Israel:** Sunday, April 14 at 7 pm will be the next meeting at the EVJCC. The topic is Antisemitism on College Campuses. Parents, grandparents, high school and college students are invited to attend this free event. Make your reservations now!
- **Passover Seder:** Make your reservation for the Passover seder which will take place on Tuesday, April 23.

The Sun Lakes Jewish Community Council includes representatives of each of the groups mentioned above. This is a calendar for your convenience. Further details for some programs can be found within this issue of The Shpiel.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

SHELLY HENDEN



Coming Up

There are several events coming up in the next two months and I hope that you will be able to attend. All the information can be seen right here in *The Shpiel*.

The service this month will be honoring the choir, who richly deserve this as they add so much to our services. I especially want to thank the members of the choir who are not members of our congregation but love to sing with us.

The Oneg has two sponsors this month: Bobby Sachs, in memory of her late husband Sid, who would have been 95 this month, and Betsey Silverman, in honor of Bob Stone's 101 birthday. Also, Carol Biales and family are sponsoring the cake, wine and challah in memory of Sheldon Biales.

A big thanks to Marcia Weiner and Shelly Schwartz for organizing our trips to the Hale, with the last this year

being *My Fair Lady* (which is sold out) on Saturday, March 9. On Monday, March 11 is Sisterhood's Card Party. Don't forget to register!

Sunday, March 17 is our Adult Education program featuring Rabbi Wiener.

Then comes our April 6 and 13 fundraisers, where members of our congregation and from the other congregations that use the Chapel for services will be auditioning to be an "ingredient" in the *The Deli Line*, a parody on *A Chorus Line*. The lyrics are hysterical as you will see. We hope you will attend one of the performances to be held in the Chapel.

On April 23 we will be again combining our seder with the Chavurah at Trilogy.

A final thanks to Linda Brooks, who organized our dining out at BJ's, and to those of you that dined with us. A great turnout!

As always, I am here for you. Stay safe and stay well. 🕯️

TAX CREDIT INCENTIVE GRANTS TO SLJC

Donations can be made until April 15, 2024 for the 2023 tax year

For every tax credit donation to the East Valley JCC Qualified Charitable Organization, the Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation will receive an incentive grant equal to 18%.

Donate up to \$800 per couple and receive it back in 1-to-1 tax credits on your Arizona State Income Tax. SLJC would receive \$144.

Donate directly online at evjcc.org/sljc or call (480) 887-0588 and ask for Sharon Bayer.

Any Questions? Call Len Dolins at (480) 650-4753.



LONE SOLDIER PROJECT

MITZVAH PROJECTS BENEFIT SOLDIERS IN THE IDF

By Michael Cohen

Mitzvah Projects have become a routine aspect of Bat and Bar Mitzvahs in the United States. Many children choose Israel as the beneficiary of their efforts and recently, specifically, soldiers in the IDF. We're highlighting three such projects.

- This fall, Madalyn Gressel, Pardes Jewish Day School, had classmates, friends and family (including those coming from out of town for the event at Temple Solel) write letters to support the Lone Soldiers.
- Adam Woldoff, another Pardes student, raised over \$1500 and had fellow students at Temple Beth El write appreciation letters to Lone Soldiers. The money was donated to Lone Soldier Centers in Israel to meet the increased demand for services caused by the war.
- Currently, Hudson Abrams a 7th grader at Mountain Trail Middle School, is creating stationery with animal heads and encouraging slogans for messages to Lone Soldiers on Purim for his Bat Mitzvah at Temple Kol Ami.



The needs of soldiers in the IDF are enormous. If your grandchild or great-grandchild is approaching Bat or Bar Mitzvah age, please encourage them to consider soldiers in the IDF as the recipient of their Mitzvah Projects. Call Michael Cohen for Mitzvah Project ideas and organizations to support these efforts at (480) 895-4660.

SOMETHING YOU MIGHT NOT KNOW

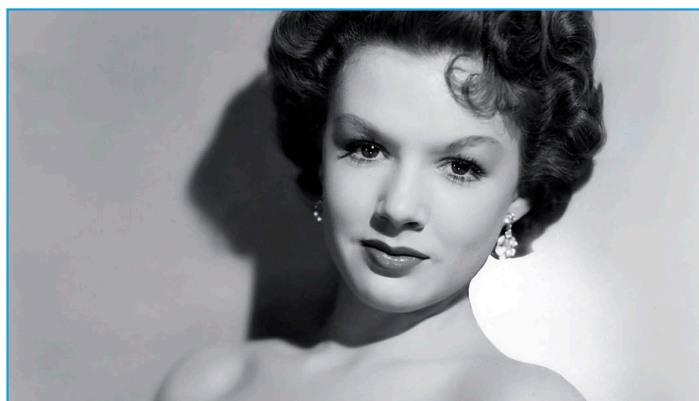
ROSETTA JACOBS By Murray Siegel

In October 2023, we lost Rosetta Jacobs, an exceptional performer on television and in the movies. Turner Classic Movies praised Rosetta's talents as "one of the most celebrated and formidable actresses of the last half-century," and acclaimed her "full-blooded performances as flawed, often ferocious women."

Rosetta was born in 1932 in Detroit to a Jewish family that was struggling with The Depression. Her grandparents had immigrated to the U.S. from Russia and Poland. The Jacobs family relocated to Los Angeles and her parents signed her up for weekly elocution lessons to help Rosetta overcome her shyness.

The lessons led to her signing with Universal Studios in 1949 and also led to a major role with Ronald Reagan in "Louisa" in 1950. Her performance resulted in an Emmy, a Golden Globe and three Academy Award nominations.

In January 1962, she married Joe Morgenstern, a writer for the NY Herald Tribune and Wall Street Journal. The couple adopted a daughter in 1971 but divorced in 1982.



Following her performance in "The Hustler" in 1961, the roles offered to Rosetta did not meet her expectations and she left Hollywood until 1976, when her appearance in "Carrie" garnered her the Golden Globe.

She continued acting until 2018, after which she had to deal with the disease that eventually took her life. You say that you do not recall Rosetta Jacobs; that is because in 1949 she changed her name to Piper Laurie.



SLJC 2024 PASSOVER SEDER

Tuesday, April 23, 5-8 pm, Trilogy Community Ballroom

Costs for our 2nd annual combined seder with the Trilogy Chavurah will be \$45 per person for members and \$55 per person for non-members. You will have a choice of appetizer (chopped liver or gefilte fish). The main entrée will be brisket or chicken. (You may choose a combination of both entrees if you prefer). We hope you will join us for great food, friendship, and the continued coming together of our two communities as we honor the traditions of our ancestors.

We will be accepting reservations beginning Friday, March 1, with the reservation deadline on Friday, April 5. Tables accommodate up to 8 people. This year we are planning to mingle each group, four people from Trilogy and four people from SLJC. If you have a specific seating request, please make it at the time of your reservation. We will do our best to honor your requests.

Questions? Please contact Helene Zimmerman at (909) 229-6572, hzman24@gmail.com.

Passover Seder Menu

catered by *Scott's Generations NY-style deli restaurant*

- Gefilte Fish or Chopped Liver
- Hard Boiled Eggs
- Matzoh Ball Soup
- Roasted Potatoes
- Vegetables
- Choice of Brisket or Chicken (can have both if desired)
- Matzoh
- Charoset
- Dessert
- Passover Wine

Passover Seder Reservation Form

Name _____

Please circle choice of appetizer: Gefilte Fish **or** Chopped Liver

Please circle choice of entrée: Brisket Chicken Both

Name _____

Please circle choice of appetizer: Gefilte Fish **or** Chopped Liver

Please circle choice of entrée: Brisket Chicken Both

Seating request _____

**Please make checks payable to SLJC and mail to: Helene Zimmerman
4119 E. Appleby Drive, Gilbert, AZ 85298**

FRIENDS OF ISRAEL

THE THREAT OF ANTI-ISRAEL AND ANTISEMITIC EXPERIENCES TO U.S. JEWISH COLLEGE STUDENTS

Sunday, April 14, 7 pm, East Valley JCC

Friends of Israel, along with the East Valley Jewish Community Center, will help prepare students, parents and grandparents for these campus experiences on April 14, 2024 at 7 pm at the East Valley JCC. The speakers will be Sarah Kader, ADL Arizona's Community Manager; Taylor M. Silverman, Assistant Director, Arizona State University Hillel; and Rabbi Aviva from Hebrew High School. There will be breakout sessions for grandparents, parents, current and future college students.

A recent ADL report indicates 73% of Jewish college students and 44% of non-Jewish students experienced or witnessed antisemitism since the start of the 2023-2024 school year. Prior to October 7, 2023, 64% viewed their university as welcoming and supportive of Jewish students. After October 7, only 44% of the students felt this way.

Even prior to October 7, a majority of students, both Jewish (77%) and non-Jewish (67%) felt their university was not doing enough to address anti-Jewish



prejudice. Since October 7, 52% of Jewish students also expressed dissatisfaction with their university's response to the situation in Israel and Gaza, compared to 25% of non-Jewish students.

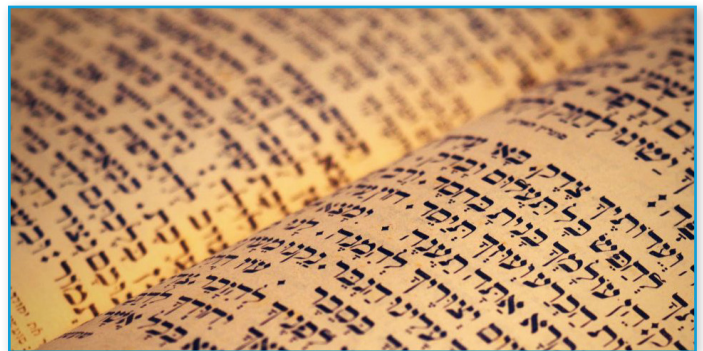
PLEASE: Come and tell your children and grandchildren to come. This session will be invaluable for families of those in or entering college in the near future. Questions? Call Barbara Nussbaum at (215) 280-0046 or Michael Cohen (480) 895-4660.

ADULT EDUCATION

Sunday, March 17, 2 pm, Chapel Center

The Adult Education Committee is planning another event for you to enjoy. The topic — *Jewish Traditions, Customs and Laws: Their Differences, Symbolism, and Evolution*. So, is it your grandparents' tradition or not?

We are fortunate to feature Rabbi Irwin Wiener as our speaker. He has an unwavering commitment to education and his teaching is inspiring and impactful. We look forward to seeing you at this event.





ANNUAL CARD PARTY

Monday, March 11, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.

Doors open at 9:00 a.m.

Oakwood Country Club in Sun Lakes

Charity event sponsored by Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation Sisterhood.

\$40 entry fee includes a delicious buffet lunch.

For reservations or questions call Carol at 480-895-3168.

Don't forget about our signature gift baskets, cash raffle and the tantalizing treats at our bake sale !

Names of players: (Please include a contact phone #/e-mail for one member of the group.) Reservations deadline is March 1st.

Game to be played: _____

Please make your check for \$40.00 per player to SLJC SISTERHOOD and mail to: Wendy Goldstein, 24031 S Lakeway Circle NW, Sun Lakes, AZ 85248. Please limit lunch seating to groups of five.

You must provide your own game. No shufflers please!

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

For Leonard Dolins' speedy recovery
by Diane Zelinger

GENERAL FUND

In memory of Sandi Wiener
by Rita Tanen
In memory of Morris Sharff
by Janey & Jeff Burnce
In memory of Sandi Wiener
by Andrea Fennell
In memory of William Buchsbaum
by Charlotte Currens
In memory of Marjorie Buchsbaum
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MUSIC FUND

For Jeff Spear's speedy recovery
by Diane Zelinger

ONEG FUND

In memory of Joe Appel
by Carol Biales
In memory of Sheldon Biales
by Carol Biales
In memory of Ida Goldberg
by Carol Biales
In honor of Bob Stone's 101 birthday
by Betsey Silverman
in memory of her husband
Sid Berger who would have been 95 this year
by Bobby Sachs

FAMILY FUND

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by Robert Kaplan
In memory of Jill Gerstenfield
by Michael & Evelyn Freed

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

Help Wanted: SLJC needs help with fundraising. We're looking for someone who may have additional ideas and/or can continue finding restaurants who offer us a percentage of dining revenues on a slated date. Please contact Shelly Henden at (480) 612-4413 if you're willing to help.

We are saddened to report on the passing of former congregant Buddy Greenberg, husband of the late Joyce Greenberg.

The Congregation wishes speedy recoveries to Barbara Sommers and Charlie Gerson.

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.

“A Deli Line”

An original HYSTERICALLY FUNNY musical comedy parody
Of “A Chorus Line”, where MENU ITEMS and INGREDIENTS
audition for the opening of a DELICATESSEN!

Presented by

Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation



At The Sun Lakes Chapel on
April 6th, Saturday, **7:00pm** &
April 13th, Saturday, **2:30pm**

Tickets **\$18** for “Will-Call”
or **\$20** at door

Make checks to SLJC 
(Indicate performance date on check)

Mail to: SLJC c/o Wendy
24031 S. Lakeway Circle, NW
Sun Lakes, AZ 85248
or call, 480-584-5909

MARCH CELEBRATIONS

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

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| 2 Michael & Helen-Bernstein
Abrams | 6 Edd & Shirley Shalett | 19 Joyce & Robert Dickman |
| 4 Elliot & Barbara Reiss | 10 Richard & Susan Tauber | 28 Laurence & Souzan Blumberg |

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

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|------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| 1 Susan Tauber | 10 Laura Blumberg | 17 Diane Mendelsohn | 26 Marianne Mertzner |
| 4 James Mertzner | 10 Martin Winter | 19 Lee Ross | 28 Carol Gabel |
| 6 Michael Freed | 13 Harvey Schwartz | 24 Barry Berger | 28 Lucy Geller |
| 7 Ruth Lieberman | 13 Adele Karp | 24 Wendy Podkasik | 31 Sheldon Silverman |
| 7 Art Sharf | 13 Ellie Trachtenberg | 24 Helene Zimmerman | 31 Robert Stone |
| 8 Murray Siegel | 16 Shirley Shalett | 25 Jim Gould | |

MARCH YAHRZEITS

Zichronam livrachah — may their memories be a blessing.

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| Herman Alter | Hyman Ginsberg | Rachel Milgroom | Daurcy Schwartz |
| Morris Berenweig | Ida Goldberg | Libby Mosberg | Joseph Siegel |
| Sid Berger | Norman Goldstein | Gail Moss | Louis Solko |
| Sheldon Biales | Barbara Goldstein | Gerhard Muenzer | Bernard Spiller |
| Marcia Bram | Trouti Golomb | Lois Mundt | Sol Tanenzapf |
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| Diana Cohen | Elec Israelton | Bill Oyer | Cydney Wax |
| Samuel Dolins | Sarah Jacobsohn | Myne Pauker | Sarah Weinberg |
| George Dolinsky | Sheldon J. Kaplan | Nathan Pearlstein | |
| Rosetta Dolinsky | Sidney Klein | Burt Quint | |
| Celia Eisenman | Henry Kolb | Eleanor Raffeld | |
| Arthur Frank | Andrew Kraus | Mitchell Rabstein | |
| Louis Freedman | Gertrude Kapkin | Ann Rabstein | |
| Lily Freedman | Maishe Levitan | Abraham Rossen | |
| Max Geffner | Doris Levy | Lillian Rossini | |
| Jill Gertenfield | Isabel Levy | Bernard Salita | |
| | Walter Levy | Norma Schulman | |



FUN, FUN, FUN, I WON, I WON, I WON



**DEVORAH HADASSAH IS HAVING A GAME DAY
To Benefit Hadassah Medical Organization**

WHAT: Choose a game you or your group likes best. Come and play. If you don't have a regular group, let us know.

WHEN: Wednesday, April 3, 2024 1 PM-4 PM

WHERE: East Valley Jewish Community Center - 908 N. Alma School Rd. Chandler

COST: \$18.00 pre-game day or \$20.00 at the door
This includes Registration, Snacks and TONS of FUN!
Raffle tickets will be available for purchase.

**For reservations or more information contact:
Marcia 602-752-0379 or Susan 520-705-3226**

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Names of players: (Please include contact information of one of the players. Choose the game your group likes best. If you don't have a group, we can help you with that. Lots of people want to play lots of different things. Reservation deadline March 27.

Game to be played: _____

Please make checks payable to Hadassah and mail to Susan Fox, P O Box 10523 Casa Grande, AZ 85130-0078. Please limit groups to five. You must provide your own game. No shufflers, please!

DEVORAH HADASSAH

Looking forward to a busy 2024 with General Meetings, Literary Ladies, Flick Chicks, Out to Lunch, Dinner Fundraisers and Game Day! 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.

Literary Ladies Book Group

The second Wednesday of each month is our book group called Literary Ladies and is held on Zoom. The next book we will be discussing is *The Paris Library* by Janet Skeslean Charles on Wednesday, March 13 at 1:30 pm.

Food Drive

The third Wednesday we collect non-perishable food for JFCS (Jewish Family & Children's Services) in various communities in the East Valley. Our next collective drive will be held on Wednesday, March 20 from 11 am to 1 pm at the home of Judy Weissman.

General Meeting

The next General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 27 at 10:30 am at the EVJCC. Out to Lunch will follow the meeting.

Chai Flicks Movie Group

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

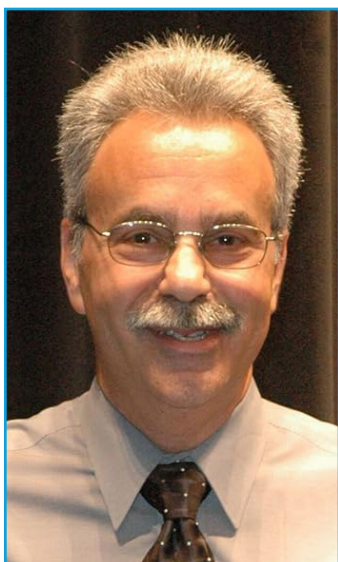
Save the Date for Game Day Fundraiser

Our Game Day Fundraiser will be held on Wednesday,



April 3 at the EVJCC. More information to come in next month's edition.

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.



MAZEL TOV TO SLJC MEMBER SANDOR LUBISCH

Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation member, Sandor Lubisch, recently published a historical fiction novel *Yitzhak's Escape – The Jewish Flight to Uzbekistan*. The book deals with a rarely known or mentioned aspect of the Holocaust that affected members of his maternal family who lived in a small Eastern Polish town called Bolechov.

On June 21, 1941, Adolph Hitler broke the non-aggression pact with Joseph Stalin and ordered the German Army to invade Soviet-controlled Eastern Poland with lightning speed. Teenager Yitzhak Barkan, his family, relatives, and thousands of Jews had to make an immediate decision to either remain in Eastern Poland and face the Nazis or flee by joining the Soviet evacuation to Uzbekistan.

Read more about Sandor's novel with ordering information in the May issue of *The Shpiel*.

Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation
Non-Member Memorial Plaques Order Form

A loved one has passed away who was not a member of SLJC, and you desire to create a permanent remembrance of this person. Can this be done? This is a question that is often asked, and the answer is definitely “Yes.” We understand the importance of paying tribute to loved ones who are no longer with us. A permanent non-member plaque can be purchased for \$36, and there are three options for the wording of the plaque.

Simply complete the form below and mail it along with a check payable to SLJC for \$36 per plaque to: Wendy Goldstein, 24031 S Lakeway Circle NW, Sun Lakes 85248. Any questions, call (480) 584-5909.

SLJC NON-MEMBER REMEMBRANCE PLAQUE

Please complete a separate form for each plaque, indicating the desired choice of wording.

Choice 1

In Loving Memory of _____ (name & date)

Purchased by _____ (name)

Choice 2

Always in Our Heart. _____ (name & date)

Purchased by _____ (name)

Choice 3

In Remembrance of _____ (name & date)

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FRAUD AWARENESS AND PROTECTION

Sunday, March 17, 9:30 am, Poolside Building, Oakwood Country Club, 24218 S. Oakwood Blvd., Sun Lakes

Come hear Joyce Petrowski, President of R. O.S. E. (Resources/Outreach to Safeguard the Elderly), discuss how R.O.S.E. protects seniors and keeps them safe at the most vulnerable time in their lives.

Joyce will speak at the Jewish War Veterans (JWV) Sunday, March 17th meeting, which takes place at the Poolside building 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.

R.O.S.E., a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, was founded by Joyce Petrowski, who recognized a need in the community based on a personal experience with a loved one. Older adults are often the targets of criminals because of their philanthropic and trusting nature. Her organization leads the effort in delivering effective, concise, face-to-face fraud awareness and prevention programs to the older adults (and their families) in Arizona.

She will explain such scams as the imposter: internet, phone and Robo calls, grandparent, IRS letter, and romance scams - all targeted at the elderly to steal their money and security. Joyce states, "Our goal is to not only reduce the quantity of financial losses, but also to reduce the number of victims."

According to John Iannerelli, an FBI agent for two decades and known as The Voice of Cyber Security, "Law enforcement can't do it alone. We need the help of non-profits like R. O. S. E., which is dedicated to keeping elderly people safe online and in the real world." Pauline Hall, a Medicare Specialist, says "R.O.S.E. provides education that is current, relatable, and easy to understand with handouts and reminders to take



home and view later. Pecos Senior Center executives say that Joyce gives one of the best presentations they've attended.

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 participate in philanthropic activities to help veterans of all faiths. **Volunteers are especially needed in May for JWV's Memorial Day Poppy Campaign at Fry's Food Stores and Mesa Market Place.** To learn more about JWV activities and membership, contact Elliott Reiss at ElliottBarb@q.com, (480) 802-3281.



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