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Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation Calendar

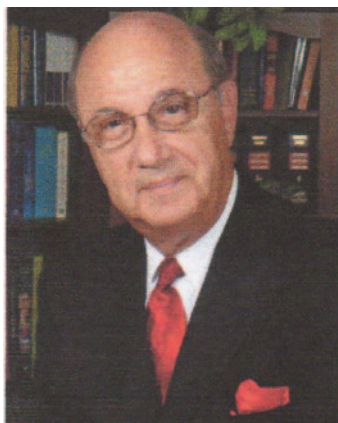
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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						3:30 p m Shalom Hadassah Hale Theater
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10:30 am Devorah Hadassah Board		7:00 pm Men's Club Monthly Meeting			7:00 p m SLJC Monthly Service	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
9:00 am JWV Post 619 Poppy Sale 3:00 pm	9:00 am JWV Post 619 Poppy Sale 3:00 pm	9:30 am Sisterhood Board Meeting Annual Congregational Meeting 7:00 pm	4:00 pm Devorah Hadassah Diner Fundraiser	12:00 pm Shalom Hadassah 4:00 pm BOD Meeting		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Havura Chai Pot Luck Picnic			12:00 pm Devorah Hadassah Out to Lunch	1:00 pm Sisterhood Meeting		
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

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Messages from our Clergy



Are we really thankful?

Each year, at this time, we pause for two major events in our lives as Americans: Thanksgiving and Veterans Day. These two holidays, each in their own way, offer the same expressions of gratefulness and appreciation. However, there is one aspect of these occasions that are connected in more ways than just the month of the year: Our allegiance and devotion to God.

When we lose someone who has devoted his or her energy to the safety and survival of our American dream or see that the list of wounded increases with each passing day, we pause to express our thanks for their participation in our defense.

Our service men and women, who wear the uniform of this great country, are the reason we are free and can, for example, go to the polls and vote our conscience to ensure that the liberties we fought so hard for are still there for those who follow.

Our history as a nation is replete with stories of valor and fortitude. Blood has been shed, not only here, but also on foreign soil because we know that liberty and freedom know no boundaries. Fences and walls may be built, but all they do is concentrate the efforts into a small area waiting to destroy these barriers and join all the rest who have tasted this emancipation.

On November 8th we will, once again, pay homage to the members of our armed forces, both past and present. Join us as we welcome Copper Post #619, its members, relatives and friends.

In addition, at this service we will pause to reflect on our good fortune and express our thanks for a great country. America represents all that is good in the human spirit, even though at times, it seems we lose our way. We have always extended ourselves to others, both here and abroad.

We may have failings, but that comes with experiences that sometimes challenge us. Families will gather, feast on turkey (oh, those poor turkeys), tell stories and wish for a better tomorrow filled with all the celebrations of life. Through it, all we will remember how fortunate we are to live in a land so abundant and diverse, enjoying the rewards of our labors.

This year we are graced with a third celebration – the celebration of new life. Lorrie and Howard Cohen will share with us the joy of greeting two granddaughters, Remington and Reese. Their parents, Jamie and Nathan Hugs will present their daughters to receive their Hebrew names as they are blessed into their Jewish heritage.

This is what thankfulness is all about. God gave us the wonders we witness, the magic of all the days and nights filled with dreams and fulfillment and the capacity to hope for tomorrow's celebrations together as we watch the continuity of the generations.

Are we really thankful? That is a question that only we can answer for ourselves.

Sandi and I wish everyone a great Thanksgiving holiday filled with remembrances and gratitude.

Rabbi Irwin Wiener, D.D.

President's Message

When I was growing up, I lived within 10 miles of my most distant relatives. Now, except for my sister and Jim's sister, all our family lives far away. So it will be with great pleasure that we'll welcome our children, grandchildren, siblings, and nephews for Thanksgiving from Ohio, Pennsylvania, Connecticut, Oregon, and California. They are all coming to Sun Lakes so that our family can celebrate. The blessings of family coming together are obvious.

It is the same for the SLJC family. I am filled with gratitude for our temple family. Having people come together for monthly services or Kol Nidrei and Yom Kippur or for the Break-Fast is uplifting. I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude to all who help make the SLJC family such a wonderful one. From our professionals to our volunteers, thank you to all. We can all appreciate the time, effort, and results we see from Rabbi Wiener, Cantor Ronda, Choir Director Lana, all choir members, and accompanist Shea at services every month. Yet behind the scenes, we also benefit from the work of Chuck Reynolds (man Friday), Derek Stevenson (on audio), Butch Hall (Chapel custodian), and Roxy Nault (our "caterer").

In addition to these great folks, there are numerous SLJC members who simply pitch in and are rarely thanked. These include members of the SLJC Board of Directors: Jeff Spear, Bety Dar, Michael Dar, Mike Abrams, Linda Brooks, Gail Dante, Marty Silverman, Arthur Fink, Wende Levy, Carol Biales, Janey Burnce, Richard Agins, Mike Milgroom, and Steve Horowitz.

And there are others that work behind the scenes to produce a smooth-running operation: members of the Ritual Committee, the Caring Committee, the Membership Committee, the Nominating Committee, the Adult Education Committee, the Chapel Board representatives, the Finance Committee, and *ad hoc* groups like the Break-Fast team and the Community Seder team. Seeing people come together to pitch in to accomplish certain necessary functions is very gratifying, and these members deserve all our thanks. For instance, thank you to our gabbaim; to those who help with *Shiva*; to those who write our monthly service outline and publicity; to those who agree to be ushers readers, or greeters at services; to those who publish and edit the Shpiel and to those who gather monthly to assemble and send it out; to those who help with the onegs; to those who arrange for our flowers; to those who organize learning opportunities; to those who help maintain and update our website; to those who help with organized fundraising and yahrzeit notices; to those who have offered good ideas for making SLJC more welcoming; and to those who help financially with donations above and beyond paying dues.

If I am forgetting anyone, I apologize now. But I urge all members of SLJC to thank the people you know who volunteer on one of the groups named above, or better yet, to volunteer to help them in some way, big or small. Mostly, this is a time to be grateful. This is a time to say thank you. Happy Thanksgiving to all.

Geri Gould

Save The Date

The annual congregational meeting will take place on TUES., NOV 12th, in the Chapel Center at 7:00 p.m. At this time we will hear budget information, elect new BOD members, and discuss any issues of interest to our members. Please contact Geri Gould if you would like to add an item to the agenda.

Congregant's Thank you Notes

The Behr Family would like to express our deepest gratitude for the outpouring of love and support shown to us on the passing of our beloved mother, grandmother and great grandmother, Beatrice Pollock. We appreciate the calls, cards, donations and overwhelming kindness shown to us. The Sun Lakes Jewish Community continues to be so kind. Thanks so much.

Marilyn and Alan Behr and Family.


Thank you to everyone for all the plants/flowers, phone calls cards I received during my recent illness. It is very heart-warming to know that so many people in our community are so very thoughtful and caring. It helps the healing process.

Colette Goldstein

Milestones In The Life of Our Congregants



The Dar's celebrated 50 years of marriage with friends. Rabbi Wiener performed a brief renewal of vows.

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Havurah Chai

With fall in the air and Thanksgiving just around the corner, old leaves are falling to make room for the new. It is also a time for us to make new friends and have fun at great events in Havurah Chai, a social place for Senior Jewish Singles.

Would you like to attend Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation Shabbat Service but feel you do not know anyone? Come sit with us in Temple and at the Oneg after Shabbat Services the 2nd Friday of the month. We want to meet YOU! Below are upcoming events and we also car pool to events from ACE Hardware in Sun Lakes. Try us, you'll FALL for us! Lainy Sardina at 480-895-0974 lainysardina@gmail.com

Nov. 17th Pot Luck Picnic and Dec. 15th Chanukah Dinner Party

Men's Club

The Men's Club is a social organization that meets the first Tuesday of the month from September through June. We have interesting speakers from our community to address our membership each of these months. Guests are always invited, and refreshments are provided. The organization also has special lunches as well as various site visits in the local area. The Temple membership is encouraged to be members of the Men's Club to enable fellowship throughout our Jewish Community and achieve our social responsibility as a Jewish Community. Membership dues are due on July 1st each year. It is truly the BEST DEAL in town.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 5th at 7 pm at the Chapel Center. As always, wives and prospective members are always welcome. Our speaker is Fred Wabnik, past President and Board member for the Jewish Free Loan here in Phoenix. The Jewish Free Loan provides interest-free loans to Jewish individuals and is a non-profit 501 (c)(3) organization funded entirely by private donations. Refreshments will be provided beginning at 6:30 pm.

This year the Men's Club supplied volunteers to check membership tickets at the door for the High Holiday Services. Many thanks to Jeff Spear, Elliott Reiss, Jim Gould, and Jeff Burnce for their help.

The Men's Club also collected non-perishable food for local food banks during High Holiday Services in front of the Chapel as part of the Men's Club Annual Food Drive. It was a huge success and we collected many large boxes of food that were given to Matthews Landing. Many thanks to Sheldon Raizes, Marty Levine, and Sy Evans for their help. The food collection will continue and be collected prior to Friday Night Services. The food will be collected in front of the Chapel House from 6:15 pm until 6:45 pm. There will be large boxes for your non-perishable food donations in front of the Garage Door of the Chapel House. Do not leave in the Chapel as they may get lost or discarded. Please consider donating to this worthy cause.

The Annual Lox and Bagel Brunch was held at Chompie's on Sunday, September 22, 2019. It was a huge success. Many thanks to Sy Evans for arranging this Brunch.

Future events, visits, and lunches are being planned.

For further information contact Steve Horowitz stevehorowitz@windstream.net

Shalom Hadassah

We are really getting into high gear with a great variety of programs. November is an exciting month and on November 2nd at 4:00 p.m. we'll see the fabulous performance of "Hello Dolly" at the Hale Theater. To make a reservation, send a check made out to Shalom Hadassah for \$33.00 pp to Marcia W. at 10621 E. Champagne Dr., Sun Lakes 85248. Cutoff date is October 20th. You do not want to miss this show

Our next meeting on November 12th will be held at the East Valley JCC at Alma School just south of Ray Road, at 12:00 noon. This will feature a delicious luncheon followed by our speaker, Michael Cohen, who will give a multimedia presentation on the Lone Soldier Program in Israel. To respond and make a lunch reservation, send an \$18.00 check made out to Shalom Hadassah, by November 3rd, to Marsha L. at 3805 E. County Down Drive, Chandler, AZ 85249. For further info call her at 480-802-8911 or marsha52@gmail.com.

Watch for more information on our upcoming December 10th Hanukkah Party and Installation of new officers!

Save the Date - January 14th is the Shalom Hadassah Fashion Show featuring clothes by Judy Wear.

SLJC Nominating Committee

The Nominating committee chaired by Wende Levy and members Alan Behr, Diana Nelinson and Gail Dante met over the summer and are pleased to present the current slate of candidates to the Board.

Two current board members are running for re-election for a 2nd term:

Linda Brooks

Michael Abrams

Two currently appointed members of the board are running for election to their 1st term:

Michael Milgroom

Richard Agins

The fifth candidate for election to a 1st term is Marilyn Koss.

Please review the bios from the candidates and plan to attend the SLJC Annual Meeting which will be held on Tues., Nov. 12th at 7:00 at the Chapel Center.

During the Congregational Meeting, each of the candidates will deliver a short bio describing their connection to SLJC and their interest in serving the BOD. Assuming no other nominations arise from the floor, the plan is to have them elected as slate that night and then be invited to attend the November board meeting to transition and to get a grasp of the roles of the officers so that election of officers of the BOD can take place during the December 2019 meeting.

Service Honors

If you would like an honor for our Friday night Services please contact Shelly Henden at 895-8851

Shelly

Community News
Lone Soldier Program

Remember All Lone Soldier are the Son, Daughter, Grandson, or Grand-daughter of Someone!!!

Thanks to all the congregants who have written Hanukkah Greeting Letters to a Lone Soldier. For those who have not had a chance, you can still bring a smile to a Lone Soldier's face during Hanukkah. The packets will be present again at the November 8, 2019, Shabbat Services. The campaign will be ending on November 21, 2019. You can return letters to Barbara Reiss at the November 21, 2019 Sisterhood Meeting or call Michael Cohen at 480 895 4660. You will feel good about this mitzvah!!!

Friend of Israel

The next speaker on, February 23, 2020 , is Rabbi Michael Beyo, CEO of the East Valley JCC. His topic will be "WHY IS JERUSALEM SO IMPORTANT TO MUSLIMS" . He is an author, university lecturer and historical scholar. He is highly acclaimed for his insight, knowledge and the clarity of his presentations. His talks always relate historical facts to contemporary issues. Mark your calendars and join us for informative afternoon at 3:00 PM, February 23, 2020.

Jewish War Veterans Post 619

On Nov. 10 and 11, in honor of Veteran's Day, Jewish War Veterans Copper State Post 619 will distribute poppies and poppy stickers from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10 and Monday Nov. 11 to people who make a donation for veterans in need at local Fry's Supermarkets. The poppy is a symbol of remembrance and hope for a positive future and a peaceful world.

The poppy sale is the largest fundraiser for the Post. Each year the Post donates approximately \$34,000 to organizations that support Arizona veterans.

JWV invites everyone interested in supporting our veterans to join the Post. Membership is open to everyone in the community, regardless of religious affiliations. Support is provided to Arizona veterans of all religions and beliefs. The Post meets the third Sunday of every month in the Sun Lakes Country Club, Mirror Room at 9:30 am. Meetings feature speakers focused on supporting veterans and refreshments.

Their next meeting is Sunday, Nov. 17 at 9:30 am at the Sun Lakes Country Club. Meetings are free and refreshments are served. The November meeting will feature speakers from the Maternity Outreach for Moms program at the Phoenix VA Medical Center, created by Kathleen Laurier, a Navy veteran, and her sister, Barbara Klinedinst,

Gifts will be collected for veteran moms and their newborns. All gifts must be new and unwrapped. Suggested items for baby gifts include baby clothes up to 12 months; baby care items such as thermometers, hairbrushes and nail clippers; disposable diapers; bath towels and bathing supplies; bottles and bottle brushes; blankets and children's books. Gifts for moms (also new) can include shampoo, conditioner, lotion, combs and brushes, flip flops, slipper socks, nursing

For membership information please contact Commander Robert Brooks at (480) 688-1827 or linbob72@wbhsi.net.

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November Milestones



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Rose Backer
Benjamin Backer
Inge Bailin
Annie G. Becker
Harry Belatsky
Marjorie Betulia
Anna Biales
Silvia Binder
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Arnold Farber
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Lilian Popkin
Seymour Price
Leonard Raffeld

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Birthdays



Anniversaries



1 Shelly Henden	17 Judie Weissman	7 Arlene & Lee Forgang
4 Wende Levy	18 Sharon Siegel	8 Jeff & Janey Burnce
4 Joyce Spantonos	19 Lee Forgang	18 Howard & Pear Frankel
5 Janey Burnce	21 Rhoda Waisel	24 Kim & Jerry Kaplan
6 Gail Dante	23 Bobby Sachs	25 Susan & Michael Cohen
7 Barbara Ganz	23 Richard Tauber	26 Sidney Berger & Bobby Sachs
12 Andrew Polesky	26 Charlotte Amiton	29 Carol & Leo Pessin
12 Deborah Kim Havens	27 Harold Fineberg	
14 Karen Hasenfus	28 SaraRuth Rossow	
14 Carol Pessin	29 Kim Kaplan	
14 Diane Silverman	29 Paula Lewis	
15 Dolores Singer	30 Linda Brooks	
16 Ron Gindick	30 Jeri Goldfader	
16 Melvyn Mintz		

Thanks to Congregation Donors

ONEG Fund

Donor	Occasion
Sy and Edith Evans	Major donation to the fund
Sisterhood	Monthly donation
Lorie and Howard Cohen	In Honor of their two granddaughters baby-naming
Judy Plafker	In Memory of Loretta Weber
Bob Stone	In Memory of Loretta Weber
Paula Herzstein	

Family Fund

Donor	Occasion
Judy Elias	In honor of Bety and Michael Dar 50th Wedding Anniversary
Judy Elias	In Memory of Loretta Weber
Ron and Doris Codkind	In Memory of Bea Pollock, mother of Marilyn Behr
Ron and Doris Codkind	In Memory of Pearl Nacht, cousin of Shirley Shalett
Geri and Jim Gould	In Memory of Bea Pollock, mother of Marilyn Behr
Suzy Ziegler	In Memory of Bea Pollock, mother of Marilyn Behr
Janey and Jeff Burnce	In Memory of Bea Pollock, mother of Marilyn Behr

Yahrzeit Fund

Donor	In Memory of	Yahrzeit Month
Sandor Lubisch	Ruth Lubisch	October
Sherry Green	Richard Green	October
Seymour Evans	Joel Evans	October
Susan Tauber	Michael Goldner	October
Cyril Goodman	Alfred Goodman	October
Martin Levine	Jacob Levine	October
Marilyn and Alan Behr	Hyman Pollock	October
Gina and Tzvi Caplan	Morris Jacobs	October
Rabbi Irwin Wiener	Rachel Wiener	October
Bernice Freitag	Bonnie Paves	October
Carole Victor	Myron Granoff	October
Rita Ginsberg	Richard Rabstein	October
Marilyn Raizes	Rose Goldrich	October
Gloria and Bob Howard	Joan Warnecke	October
Gloria and Bob Howard	Charles Howard	October
Roxanne Banta	Abraham Bennett	October
Linda Bennett	Abraham Bennett	October
Roxanne Banta	Meyer Plotkin	October
Linda Bennett	Meyer Plotkin	October
Betsey Silverman	Charles Cohen	October
Ann Baumrind	Rose Rokeach Baumrind	October
Marilyn Koss	Samuel Eisenman	October
Lee (Sheilah) Ross	Marion Feinberg	October
Jeanne Capeloto	Joseph Benveniste	October
Andrew and Ronda Polesky	Bernard Polesky	October
Sander Frindell	Anna Rae Frindell	November
Sharon and Murray Siegel	Rose Siegel	November
Mel Moss	Jacquey Moss	November
Mel Moss	Milt Moss	November

Chapel Fund

Donor	Occasion
Shirley Gersten	In Memory of Judy Plafker's sister
Jeff and Esther Spear	In Honor of Benjamin Gavin Harshman (First Grandson)

General Fund

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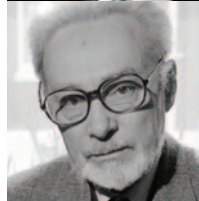
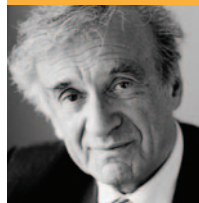
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