



THE SHPIEL

MAY 2023 | IYAR/SIVAN 5783

Happy Lag BaOmer



A Day of Fun and Festivities!

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

SLJC May 2023

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21 9:30 am: JVV Post 619 Meeting (Oakwood Poolside)	22	23	24 10:30 am: Devorah Meeting (East Valley JCC) Followed by: Devorah Out to Lunch	25 SHAVUOT EVE	26 SHAVUOT	27
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To Remember Is to Honor

Here today, gone tomorrow – some thoughts about Memorial Day and our involvement in paying tribute to the past. Some of what we will concentrate on also represents the present and future.

One thing we need to understand is that in an instant we are here, and in another instant, we are not.

Some call it the journey of life – it is a common expression. However, life, as we know it, can be more than a journey. Life can be exciting. Life can be a trip to places we never imagined. Life can be all these things and more, even as we gain years.

Some look into a mirror and see nothing but age, which seemed to have appeared without notice. Others look into a mirror and see maturity as a sign of longevity and survival. Still, there are others who will look into a mirror and see only the past.

How do we reconcile reality and fantasy? How do we determine that the time we have been given deserves to be enjoyed? How do we make our wishes come true? Finally, how do we mix all this together to bring fulfillment into our lives?

All these questions, as we gaze into the mirror of truth, are not entirely answerable. I would imagine that these thoughts ran through the minds of our service men and women who were thrust into harm's way because of human turmoil. Perhaps these brave men and women thought of what was and what could be in the same instance.

We pause as a nation to pay tribute to all of them in a commemoration called Memorial Day. Life as they knew it and lived it is over. Now, we gather to harmonize the drama that became history. There are no more tomorrows or dreams that gave them purpose and hope. There is no more of so much that we take for granted.

Our nation recognizes the frailties of life and the sacrifices made on our behalf. We pause to remember. More than that, however, we express our gratitude in our sorrow because we understand that without their devotion we would not be here to remember.

Some of us will cry. Some of us will bow our heads in pain. Some of us will visit cemeteries. For some of us, this holiday is very personal. But for others, some will picnic with families and friends. There is no wrong way to commemorate this moment of remembrance. I would suggest that perhaps we should laugh because we celebrate the values of life afforded us through human offerings.

Each display of allegiance should remind us about the goodness of today and the blessings of tomorrow. We can always find reasons to complain, but a simple gesture of gratitude can also wipe away the feelings of regret. On this solemn occasion we should express our thankfulness for being together. Our words and gestures should teach us how fortunate we are to live in a country that cherishes the sacredness of life.

To celebrate the past with an eye to the future.

During this month we will also hallow two holidays on the Jewish calendar: Lag B'Omer and Shavuot. These holidays also represent the gifts afforded us because of benevolence.

Lag B'Omer reminds us that though we face difficulties, they can be overcome with faith. From the beginning of Passover to the end of Shavuot our people counted each day as it eventually reached the peak of harvest and goodness. Sometimes we forget how blessed we are, and it takes a tragedy that occurred and ended on Lag B'Omer to remind us. The Talmud relates that a terrible tragedy befell the students of Rabbi Akiva, the great scholar of the Talmudic period, and suddenly ceased on Lag B'Omer.

Shavuot stands out as a symbol of commitment. The Book of Ruth is read on this holiday because it exemplifies the beauty of life and the continuity of the generations. Ruth was the grandmother of King David – the one man who understood the need for connection as he began the process of uniting the twelve tribes of Israel into a formidable nation.

Shavuot brings to the forefront the understanding that faith sustains us as we learn to enhance our lives through thought and action. The episode described in Scripture with all the fanfare of a Hollywood drama is what dreams are made of – the dreams of freedom and fulfillment and destiny as evidenced by the giving of the Law. In Yeshiva we studied all night – no sleep – just learning to emphasize the significance of this historic event.

Then we pause for the acknowledgement of life

Of all the holidays we find on the calendar this month, the one that stands out is Mother's Day because it gives us the opportunity to be grateful to the one who gave us life. Birth can be described as the agony and the ecstasy, for it is with difficulty we are born but then we witness the future.

May our memories give us hope. More than that, may our memories be a reminder of how much we owe to those who preceded us. May our faith be enhanced as we remember the past which brought us to today.

If we think about all these things during the month of May perhaps it will give us the ability to also be thankful to God who gave us the gift of memory. 🕯️

LONE SOLDIER PROJECT

YOM HAZIKARON AND LONE SOLDIERS: THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE

By Michael Cohen

On April 25, Israel memorialized those who have died in the IDF as well as civilian deaths by terrorists since the establishment of Israel in 1948. Among those deceased are young men and women from around the world who have made Aliyah and joined the IDF. The Ministry of Defense no longer publishes the numbers of these Lone Soldiers. However, by 2014, 29 Lone Soldiers had paid the ultimate sacrifice by giving their lives in defense of the Jewish Homeland. Each of these Jewish heroes deserves to be memorialized, but in this space two will be highlighted:

Michael Levin from Philadelphia was 18 years old when he made Aliyah, prepared for, and joined the IDF as a paratrooper. He was described as a born leader who went out of his way to support and befriend anyone in need. He used his one month of leave to attend a wedding at home. Two weeks into his leave, war broke out at the Lebanon border involving his unit. On July 18 he flew back to Israel early to join them in battle. On August 1, 2006, he was killed in an intense firefight with Hezbollah forces, fighting for the country he loved. He was buried in the military cemetery on Mt Herzl. He had always expressed the hardships of being a Lone Soldier and at the one-year anniversary of his death, his parents and IDF friends began the process of creating the **Michael Levin Memorial Lone Soldier Center**, which is now the largest center of its type in Israel.

Max Donald Steinberg was born on November 27, 1989, in Tarzana, California. In 2012 he went to Israel on a Taglit/Birthright trip with his brother and sister. Max called his parents to say he was making Aliyah and joining the IDF, and by September of 2012 he left California to do just that. Despite his initial difficulty with Hebrew, he persisted and ultimately was assigned to the elite Golani 13 Brigade. During Operation Protective Edge in Gaza, Max was wounded, insisted on returning to action, and was killed on July 20, 2014, just a few months before his planned November 2014 discharge. On that same day two other Lone Soldiers lost their lives — Nissim Sean Carmelli from South Padre Island, Texas, and Jordan Ben-Simmons from Lyon, France. Based on social media posts only, 30,000 Israelis showed up for Max's memorial service at Mount Herzl, indicating the enormous appreciation the country has for these courageous and committed young people from 80 countries around the world.



top: Max Steinberg; bottom: Max Steinberg's funeral



top: Michael Levin; bottom: Michael Levin's grave in Israel



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

SHELLY HENDEN



Summer Is Coming

As we near the hot days of the summer, I want to wish those of you that will be leaving for cooler places safe travels and a pleasant summer. I look forward to seeing you when you return in the fall.

While I am thanking individuals, I again want to thank Linda Brooks for arranging the fundraisers at the various restaurants. To Helene Zimmerman, a huge thank you for working so diligently on the beautiful seder that we had with the chavurah at Trilogly. Thanks also to Rabbi Wiener and Cantor Polesky for their participation. The feedback from both groups has been so positive that we are going to be together again next year. The date, place, and caterer have already been booked for the 2nd night of Passover. To all of you that attended the seder, I want to thank you for attending and for the kind words that you extended to me which have been passed on to Helene and the presidents of the chavurah.

As always, if you have any concerns, do not hesitate to call me.

Happy Mother's Day! 🍷👩

Just a reminder that we will be having our last fundraiser with the Hale Theatre, "Bye Bye Birdie," on Saturday, May 20 at 4 pm. To make your reservation, as always, please call either Marcia at (480) 802-9455 or Shelly at (480) 803-3608.

Speaking of Marcia and Shelly, I want to thank them for all the hard work putting together the four productions that we were able to see this season at the Hale Theatre

SLJC FUNDRAISER

JOIN US AT THE HALE THEATRE!

Our congregation purchased a block of tickets for shows this spring at the Hale Theatre, a theater-in-the-round located at 50 W. Page Ave. in Gilbert. These performances will provide a chance to get together, see a show, maybe have a nosh in Downtown Gilbert, and raise some much-needed funds for our Congregation. All shows will be matinees at 4 pm.

Coming up is *Bye Bye Birdie* on Saturday, May 20. We hope you can join the fun!

Ticket price is \$40. To make your reservation, please call Marcia Weiner at (480) 802-9455 or Shelly Schwartz at (480) 802-3608.



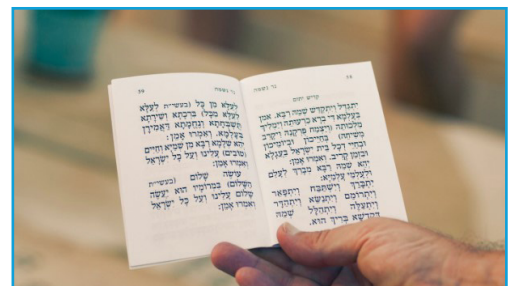
LAY LEADERS NEEDED

FOR SHIVA SERVICES

We would like to develop a group of people from our congregation (both male and female) who would be interested in leading shiva services at the homes of grieving families when the rabbi is not available.

If you would like to participate, please let either Rabbi Irwin Wiener know at (623) 640-5913, or Michael Cohen at (480) 895-4660.

There is an outline of the service that will be distributed to those interested and books will be made available for family shiva use. A training will also be held.



SLJC SISTERHOOD



On March 27 more than 170 women gathered at Oakwood Country Club for a day of fashion, food, and fun. This year's fundraiser for local charities featured fashions and accessories by Calle Rose Boutique, a delicious lunch, a bake sale by the congregation's members, raffles, and huge gift baskets. Thanks to the SLJC Sisterhood for their contributions to neighborhood organizations serving our community.

See the registration below regarding the Sisterhood Paid-Up Membership Luncheon to on Thursday, May 18.

SISTERHOOD PAID-UP MEMBERSHIP BOX LUNCH FROM KNEADERS



MAY 18 AT 12:00 PM (NOT as usual at 1:00 PM)

SLJC Chapel Center

The lunch is **FREE** if you have paid your membership dues but you must submit a \$20 check that will be returned to you at the luncheon. You must also pre-order by **May 10**. Make the check out to **SLJC Sisterhood** and send it along with your pre-order selections below to **Wendy Goldstein** at: 24031 S Lakeway Circle NW, Sun Lakes 85248.

Choose (1) sandwich and (1) cookie. All sandwiches are on sourdough bread and include a bag of chips, a fruit cup, and a gourmet cookie. Beverages will be provided.

NAME: _____

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SANDWICH CHOICES:

- Chicken Salad
- Turkey
- Veggie Avocado

COOKIE CHOICES:

- Chocolate Chip
- Oatmeal Raisin
- Peanut Butter

DEVORAH HADASSAH

Please join us for all our fun activities and get to meet new friends! For more information on attending our events, please contact Eliana Bar-Shalom at (860) 377-7126 or ebarshalom.eb@gmail.com.

Happy 75th Birthday to Israel!

We will be having a celebration in May for this landmark birthday. Contact Eliana Bar-Shalom for details.

General Meeting

Our next general meeting will be held on [Wednesday, May 24](#) at the EVJCC. Out to Lunch will follow the meeting.

Out to Lunch

We meet at a different restaurant each month for good food and conversations.

Literary Ladies Book Group

The second Wednesday of each month at 1:30 pm on Zoom is our book group called Literary Ladies. The next books we will be discussing are [The Second Life of Mirielle West](#) by Amanda Skenandore, on Wednesday May 10, and [The Winter Guest](#) by Pam Jenoff, on Wednesday, June 14.



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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, May 17 from 11 am to 1 pm](#).

Chick Flicks

Chick Flicks is our movie group. The dates and movies vary each month, but include a discussion of the film via Zoom.

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

AN AMAZING WOMAN YOU MAY HAVE NEVER HEARD OF *By Murray Siegel*

Americans are proud to brag about the accomplishments of their children and grandchildren. Investigating the early years of the life of Vera Stepen Pless sets a standard for achievement. Vera was born in 1931 to parents who were Russian Jews who had immigrated to Chicago. They lived in a two-bedroom apartment; Vera's mother had her dental practice in one bedroom, so Vera slept in the dining room.

Vera attended Hebrew School in addition to the local public school. One of her Hebrew teachers, a Polish immigrant, recognized Vera's mathematical ability, and taught her calculus when Vera was ten years old. Her academic ability allowed her to leave high school after tenth grade and she was admitted to the University of Chicago, where she completed her B.S. in three years and a master's degree in 1952. She went on to Northwestern University for her Ph.D., defending her dissertation just two weeks before delivering her first child.



Vera and her husband (a physicist) had three children. She held faculty positions at MIT and Chicago. Her research into algebraic coding theory was a major contribution to the development of computer science. She was a founding member of Women in Science and Engineering. Vera loved to read and died three days before her 89th birthday with a book in her hands.

Book of Remembrance

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. Since there are many congregants 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.

A COMPLETED FORM, even if your information has not changed, must be included with your payment and be received no later than:

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2023

Return with your check payable to Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation to:

Susan & Michael Cohen, 9008 E. Stoney Vista Ct., Sun Lakes, AZ 85248 – questions call 895-4660

USE SEPARATE CHECK FOR MEMORIAL - DO NOT INCLUDE WITH OTHER CONGREGATIONAL DUES

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Prices for the publication are as follows

One quarter page	\$18.00	one to ten names
One half page	\$36.00	one to fifteen names
Full Page	\$72.00	one to twenty names

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

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Please provide this information so that we may contact you if there are any questions.

MAY CELEBRATIONS

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

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|--------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| 4 Ron & Victoria Gindick | 16 Barry & Joan Berger | 28 Michael & Regina Milgroom |
| 5 Alan & Marilyn Behr | 25 Alex & Wendy Goldstein | |

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

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| 1 Gary Hasenfus | 6 Robert Kleiman | 14 Alex Goldstein | 23 Eve Wagner |
| 1 Barbara Israel | 10 Lana Oyer | 14 Bernard Lieberman | 27 Victoria Gindick |
| 4 Sharon Becker | 10 JoAnne Rubinstein | 14 Mark Salita | 28 Jeanne Capeloto |
| 5 Arthur Fink | 11 Wendy Goldstein | 17 Sandra Jennings | 28 Stephen Kubrin |
| 5 Barbara Reiss | 12 Michael Kaplan | 17 Noel Levine | 29 Sally Sher |
| 6 Edith Evans | 13 Ann Baumrind | 19 Morton Huskey | 30 Elaine Zolty |

MAY YAHRZEITS

Zichronam livrachah — may their memories be a blessing.

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The congregation extends condolences to the family of Sidney Berger, who passed away on March 29.

SaraRuth Rossow passed away on March 24, 2023. Our sympathies to the family. Our congregation has lost a tender soul.

A note of thanks for your generous donations and lovely cards!
-Lana

We extend our sympathy to Gail Dante on the loss of her brother-in-law, Arthur Frank (Roberta). The funeral will take place in New Jersey. Condolences may be sent to:

Gail Dante
5420 S. Clambake Bay Ct.
Tempe, AZ 85283

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

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Minimum donation of \$10* please.

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

THE FOUR QUESTIONS

PASSOVER 2023

On Passover we ask four questions because we want to know things that effect our lives. So, it was on the second night of Passover as we gathered at Trilogy in Gilbert. The setting was outstanding, the ambience was inviting, the connection gave us a warm feeling, and the food was flavorful and fulfilling. This led us to the four questions:

1. Where can we find this night different than all the others?
2. Where can we find such a meaningful location?
3. Where can we find such a beautiful and inviting atmosphere?
4. Where can find a place where our pallet is truly satisfied?

These questions can be answered with one word – *Trilogy*.

It was an evening that was filled with laughter and tradition. It was an evening that will be replicated in the future. It was an evening that will be long remembered. It was an evening that was truly inspiring.

The Trilogy Chavurah and the Sun Lakes Jewish Congregation joined together for a memorable Passover experience. Our gratitude to: Shelly Henden, Helene Zimmerman, Rita Solko and Barbara Silverman for their untiring efforts for an evening that gave us meaning as we marked the sacred holiday of Passover.



Save The Date For SLJC Break-The-Fast

September 25, 2023

More information to follow next month

JEWISH WAR VETERANS COPPER STATE POST 619

HOW JWV, A LITTLE ORGANIZATINO OF VOLUNTEERS, GIVES THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS TO HELP VETERANS

The red poppy is a nationally recognized symbol of sacrifice worn by Americans since World War I to honor those who served and died for our country in all wars. It reminds Americans of the sacrifices made by our veterans while protecting our freedoms.

Members and volunteers of Jewish War Veterans Copper State Post 619 (JWV) will be conducting their Memorial Day Poppy Drive this month at the following times and locations. Please give generously:

- **Fry's Marketplace:** Saturday, May 27-Sunday, May 28 from 9 am–3 pm @ Alma School & Germann; Ocotillo & Gilbert Rds.; Higley & Chandler Heights; Dobson & Ray
- **Mesa Market Place Swap Meet:** Friday, May 26-Sunday, May 28 from 9 am–3 pm @ 10550 E. Baseline Rd.

Where does the money go?

Poppy drives are JWV's major source of fundraising to help disabled and hospitalized veterans as well as those experiencing homelessness. The poppy drives make a real difference in the lives of veterans because funds go to support organizations that provide one on one services.

JWV recently awarded checks to two divisions of U.S. Vets – Phoenix. Jennifer Gewarges, Executive Director, received a \$2,000 check for newly built Ashley's Place for traumatized female veterans. Then in January, just before their two Habitat homes were finished, both were burglarized. Again, JWV stepped up to the plate with an additional \$1,500 contribution toward replacing stolen goods and repairing damage during the burglary.

In March, U.S. Vets Program Director Retired Navy Chief Gerard Fox received a truckload of more than 50 bags of clothing as a result of a clothing drive conducted by the Post, plus a \$2,500 check to help with their new facility opening this spring. They will have a drop-off center and a mini store where veterans can have a shopping experience selecting clothes to get them started in the program. Kudos to all in the community who dropped off their clothing donations at the Post's March meeting.

All money collected during the Poppy Drive stays in the greater Phoenix area. Additional nonprofit veterans'



organizations benefitting from JWV fundraising activities include MANA House, Veterans First Ltd, Phoenix VA Healthcare System, AZ State Veterans Home, Maricopa Stand Down, Soldiers Best Friend, Valor on 8th, and Paralyzed Veterans of America to name a few.

Become a Poppier Volunteer

More volunteers are always needed to fill the available spots during Memorial Day and Veterans Day Poppy Drives. It is not necessary to be a member of the Post to volunteer. At least two people are at each location. Ask a buddy. Volunteers need not stand for any length of time and are welcome to bring a folding chair. It is not only rewarding to represent the Jewish War Veterans Post, but those helping with the poppy drive are raising critically needed funds to support veterans in need.

To learn more about volunteering for the poppy drive, please contact Harve Kimmel at (480) 313-4734, kimmel4@aol.com.

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