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Our community is poised for dynamic engagement and multifaceted collaboration. Visionary leaders are challenging timeworn beliefs and turgid habits, and embracing innovation.

We look forward to the evolution of the Jewish Community Association of Greater Phoenix (formerly the Jewish Federation of Greater Phoenix) as it defines and begins to enact its vision for planning and fundraising to meet local, national and international needs. We at Jewish News are eager to partner with the JCA in engaging Valley Jews in community life.

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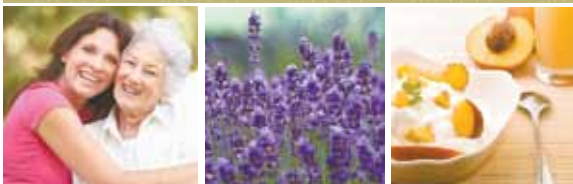
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Birth

The birth of a child is a time for joyous celebration for the family and community. "A baby," wrote Carl Sandburg, "is God's opinion that the world should go on." In contemporary American practice, children are often given a secular, English name, and, additionally, a Hebrew name. In Jewish families of European origin (Ashkenazic), a child usually is named after a deceased relative. Couples might choose the same name, a name with a similar meaning or a name that begins with the same initial letter as that of the deceased loved one. In families of Mediterranean origin (Sephardic), a child is usually named after a living relative the parents wish to honor.

Brit Milah Circumcision

The circumcision ceremony, or *brit milah*, takes place on the eighth day following the birth of a male child. (The first day is included in the calculation.) Brit means covenant; milah is word. Circumcision is a symbol of the covenant established by God with Abraham and has been continuously performed as a sign of that covenant for many thousands of years. It is a mitzvah, a religious obligation, for the parent. Most parents choose to delegate that responsibility to a mohel, a professional who is trained in the medical and religious aspects of this ceremony. Brit milah is often referred to as "bris," reflecting the Yiddish pronunciation.

The bris consists of two parts: the circumcision itself and the announcement of the child's Hebrew name. The presence of the prophet Elijah is invoked, and prayers are said that the boy will grow to a life of "Torah, sacred relationship and mitzvot."

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Simchat Bat Ceremony on the birth of a girl

Traditionally, the name of a female child is announced in synagogue on the Sabbath following her birth, including prayers for the recovery of her mother. It has become the custom to hold an expanded ceremony to welcome the birth of a girl and to announce her Hebrew name. This ceremony might be part of the Torah service or it might be held in the home of the family. The timing of this event as well as the liturgy is more fluid than that of the bris for a boy. The rabbi will assist the family in creating a unique celebration to inspire the baby's family and welcome their daughter to the family and community.

Pidyon Ha-Ben Redemption of first-born

The *pidyon ha-ben*, redemption of the first born, takes place on the 30th day after the birth of a son who is the first-born child of his mother. According to the Torah, all first borns are dedicated to the service of God, and the son must be redeemed from this commitment. The parents exchange five shekels, or five silver coins, with a Kohen, a descendant of the priestly tribe, in a symbolic ceremony. This money will be donated to tzedakah. In some communities, it is the practice that first-born children, male or female, are redeemed.

Bar/Bat Mitzvah

Bar is the Aramaic word for son, bat is Hebrew for daughter. At the age of 12 for a girl, or 13 for a boy, the child assumes religious responsibility for their own actions. In the non-Orthodox world, the bar or bat mitzvah, son/daughter of the commandments, will be called to the Torah to recite blessings and will read from the sacred text, as s/he leads the congregation in worship. In the Orthodox community, the girl will give a learned discourse reflecting on themes of the weekly Torah portion. In many congregations, bar/bat mitzvah both take place at age 13.

Bar/bat mitzvah is a reminder to parents that their children are growing up and moving toward independence. The young person is reminded that they are becoming responsible to take the lessons they have learned from their family and from their religious education and use them to make good choices and to be positive influences in the world.

It is not required to have a ceremony in order to become a bar or bat mitzvah, and one assumes the same rights and responsibilities of Jewish adulthood regardless of whether or not an event is held. Typically, this is a meaningful time for family and friends to gather in the synagogue, usually on a Saturday but occasionally on another day when Torah is read. Often, the bar/bat mitzvah is accompanied by a celebratory meal.

Many adults who did not have the opportunity to celebrate bar/bat mitzvah in their youth choose to participate in the adult *bnai mitzvah* programs offered at synagogues throughout the Valley.

Confirmation

Jewish education is a lifelong process; it does not end with bar/bat mitzvah. Young people are encouraged to continue their commitment to Jewish learning through a program culminating in a confirmation ceremony, typically held at the conclusion of 10th or 11th grade. This ceremony will often be structured by the students themselves and offers an opportunity to "confirm" their ongoing role in Jewish life. It may take place at the holiday of Shavuot and is most common in non-Orthodox congregations.

Conversion

Judaism accepts the validity of many spiritual paths and has typically not sought out converts from other religious traditions. It has been customary for many years to discourage conversion, in consonance with our belief that "the righteous of all faiths have a share in the world to come."

We are, however, open to those who join our



people. The decision to become Jewish should not be undertaken lightly. The process will begin by scheduling an appointment with a rabbi. The potential convert might wish to visit a number of synagogues to find one that feels comfortable. The rabbi will direct a program of study, often lasting a year or more. Depending on the community, an immersion in the mikvah, a ritual bath, and a meeting with a *beit din*, a Jewish religious court, will be the culmination of the conversion process.

Marriage

The Hebrew word for marriage, *kiddushin*, expresses the essential nature of the holiness of the marriage relationship. (The root is the word *kadosh*-holy.) In describing the creation of the world and humanity, God is depicted as saying that it is not good for humans to be alone — we are designed to be in relationship.

Tradition recognizes three ways to sanctify a marriage — through a written contract, through the exchange of an object of value in front of witnesses, or through sexual intimacy for the purpose of marriage. Contemporary wedding ceremonies incorporate all three of these elements: the couple selects a *ketubah*, a written wedding contract; an exchange of rings takes place (in Orthodox practice only the bride will receive a ring); and the couple shares a few moments of *yichud* — alone time — following the ceremony.

The couple may choose to immerse themselves in a mikvah, a ritual bath, prior to the wedding ceremony. The ceremony will begin with the signing of the *ketubah* and the *bedeken*, or veiling, of the bride. Tradition suggests that the patriarch wished to marry his beloved Rachel and discovered after the ceremony that his heavily veiled bride was actually her sister Leah. Since that time, grooms are given the opportunity to “check out” and make sure they are marrying their intended.

A *chuppah*, marriage canopy, is erected and the couple proceeds towards the *chuppah*, often surrounded by family and friends. The *chuppah* symbolizes the home they are establishing together. It is open on all four sides, representing the sense of openness we hope will characterize their relationship.

It has been traditional for the bride to circle the groom seven times as the ceremony begins. Many couples do not include this ritual, though there is an emerging adaptation for the groom to circle the bride three times, the bride to circle the groom three times, and the couple to join hands for a final circuit together.

The rabbi will continue by welcoming the participants and chanting the *Erusin*, or engagement blessing, after which the couple will share a sip of wine or juice. This is followed by the exchange of rings and the reading of the *ketubah*. *Sheva brachot*, seven blessings, are chanted, expressing our hope that each day of the couple's life together will be filled with blessing. Occasionally the couple may ask friends to read the translation of each of these blessings.

The rabbi will often share some words of wisdom about the nature of marriage and the unique attributes of the couple, and the ceremony concludes with the breaking of a glass. Laden with meaning, the breaking of the glass is a reminder of our connection to history and a warning to the couple of the fragility of the marriage relationship.

Following the ceremony, the couple should be allowed a few moments alone to share their first experience as husband and wife.

Many local rabbis will work with gay and lesbian couples to adapt these traditions and create new ceremonies to celebrate their love and commitment within the context of Jewish tradition.

Mikvah

Many moments in Jewish life call for immersion in the mikvah, a ritual bath of “living waters.” Immersion in the mikvah is a profound and moving way to experience transitions in our personal lives within a Jewish context. In traditional homes, a woman will go to the mikvah to mark the end of her menstrual cycle as she renews a sexual relationship with her husband. Brides and grooms sometimes go to the mikvah before the wedding, and mikvah is an important part of the experience of conversion. It is customary to bring new pots, pans and dishes to the mikvah before they are brought into our home.

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Chanukat Habayit

Dedicating a home

We read in the Torah that “you shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.” We fulfill this mitzvah by putting a mezuzah on the right side of the doors of our homes (with the exception of the bathroom), 2/3 of the way up, facing into the room. The mezuzah is a constant reminder of God's presence in our home and should be hung within 30 days of moving in.

The Rabbis debated whether the mezuzah should be hung vertically or horizontally; the slanted position encourages us to remember the importance of compromise as we strive for *shalom bayit*, peace in our homes.

Divorce

Jewish tradition recognizes that sometimes divorce is the best option for a couple. A *get*, a Jewish certificate of divorce, is prepared for the couple and presented in front of a *bet din*, a Jewish religious court. The Reform movement does not require a *get* as a precondition for marriage by a rabbi, if there has been a civil divorce. Since the marital status of the parents may affect the status of future children, a rabbi should always be consulted with regard to issues of personal status in the community.

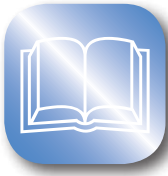
Death

The Jewish traditions related to death and mourning are intended to recognize death as a part of life. The traditions of preparing the body, sitting *Shiva* (a seven-day period of mourning immediately after a funeral), saying Kaddish (prayer for the dead) and observing *Yahrzeit* (anniversary of a death) provide a sense of structure at this difficult time of loss. Through the observance of Jewish rituals, the mourner remains connected to a caring community who can offer support and be part of the healing process.

From the time one learns of a loss until the burial, one is relieved of all religious responsibilities in order to focus on one's own grief and the practical arrangements, which must be made. Jewish practice mandates in-ground burial as soon as possible after a death. The realities of contemporary life often dictate a delay of a day or more as family members gather from many far-flung corners. Some non-Orthodox rabbis will provide services for families who choose cremation as well.

The body is treated with great respect, as befitting the image of God, lovingly washed and dressed in *tachritim*, shrouds. Members of the immediate family will tear their clothing, or, attach a ribbon to their clothing, which is rent. This is a way of expressing outwardly the sense of being torn up on the inside.

A simple coffin is placed into the graveside as part of the funeral service. The service will consist of traditional prayers and excerpts from psalms, and includes a eulogy in which we highlight the life and legacy of the deceased.



Lifecycle Events

The family will adjourn to their home for a meal of consolation and to begin the process of *shiva*, the first seven days of mourning. In some non-Orthodox communities, the period of mourning may be abbreviated to a shorter time period. During this time, friends will visit the home to support the family with food and prayer.

The next period of *Sheloshim*-30 days (incorporating the *shiva*), is the time when the mourner begins to reconnect with the world, still avoiding celebrations and reciting the mourner's kaddish prayer daily. Mourning continues for 11 months. We continue to honor our deceased loved ones at the Yizkor service four times a year, and on the *yahrtzeit*, the anniversary of the death according to the Hebrew calendar.

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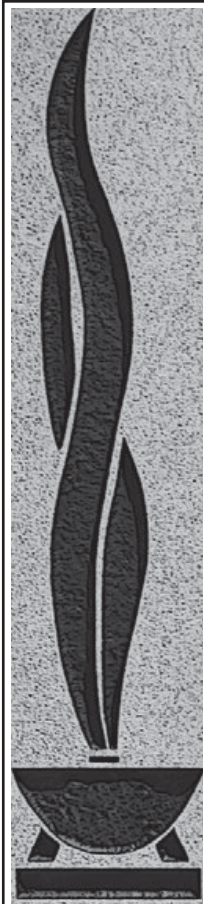
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JEWISH HOLIDAYS

The following information was prepared by Rabbi Bonnie Koppell on behalf of the Board of Rabbis of Greater Phoenix.

The cycle of the Jewish holidays follows the Jewish calendar, which is lunisolar-based, with an extra month added every few years to accommodate the difference between the number of days in the lunar versus the solar year (354 vs. 365). The date of the Jewish holiday never changes, but it may vary as to when it falls on the Gregorian calendar by up to a month. Thus, we may speak of the holidays being “early” one year and “late” the next, though the reality is that the date does not change. In many instances, the holidays are connected with the cycle

of the seasons, so celebrations often take place at the new moon or the full moon. For an urban-dwelling community, the Jewish calendar is a constant reminder of our agricultural origins as a people.

In the book of Genesis, we read in the story of creation: “And there was evening and there was morning, the first day,” etc. Since the Jewish day begins at sundown, many holidays, including the Sabbath, begin with candle-lighting on the night before the day on which the holiday appears on the calendar.

SHABBAT

Saturday

Ahad Ha-Am wrote that, “More than Israel has kept the Sabbath, the Sabbath has kept Israel.” Observance of Shabbat is the focal point of community and family life, a weekly opportunity for physical and spiritual nourishment.

The Torah offers two reasons for Shabbat. One is that we rest as a reminder that God rested on the seventh day of Creation. We who are formed in the image of God also step back from our frenetic pace of work. The second reason is to recall the Exodus from Egypt, the formative focal point of the biblical narrative. The essence of slavery is lack of control of one’s own time. By celebrating Shabbat, we express our dominion over our own activities, and actively demonstrate that we are not slaves to our work. For one day a week, we consciously withdraw from the cycle of creation and destruction, allowing the natural world to be at rest.

Shabbat begins in the home with a special meal. This is the ideal time to invite family and friends and to disconnect from the media, which is so much a part of our lives. Many people have the custom of giving *tzedakah*, a donation for a just cause, just prior to the onset of the Sabbath. Candles are lit with a traditional blessing, and, if children are present, they are blessed with the words of the priestly blessing. Orthodox practice calls for the husband to read Proverbs 31 in praise of his wife; contemporary Jews may choose to offer thanks for loving partners and all that they do to enhance the quality of home life.

We continue with Kiddush (a prayer over wine), the ritual washing of hands and then blessing the bread (Hamotzi). Often a special loaf of egg bread, challah, is used for Shabbat. The table atmosphere should be relaxed, and might include singing of traditional songs, study of the weekly Torah portion or other texts, and the offering of thanks for the meal through the Birkat HaMazon, the blessing after the meal. We greet each other with the words, “Shabbat Shalom,” expressing our hope for a day of peace.

Shabbat is concluded with the Havdalah ceremony on Saturday evening, when there

are three stars present in the sky. The word havdalah means “to make a distinction,” and it is the moment of transition from the peaceful rest of Shabbat back into the hustle and bustle of weekday life. We light a candle with multiple wicks, smell fragrant spices and drink from the Kiddush cup. At the time of Havdalah, we invite the presence of the prophet Elijah, expressing our hope that the messianic age might be ushered in at that sacred moment.

Following are three prayers for Shabbat, in both Hebrew (transliterated) and English.

On lighting Shabbat candles:
Baruch aAtah Adonai Elohenu melech ha’olam, asher kid’shanu b’mitzvotav vetzivanu l’hadlik ner shel Shabbat.

Blessed are you, Eternal our God, Sovereign of the universe, you make us holy with your mitzvot (commandments) and have given us the mitzvah of lighting Shabbat candles.

Kiddush (blessing over the wine). The complete Shabbat Kiddush includes a paragraph describing both the completion of creation and a recounting of the Exodus:

Baruch atah Adonai Elohenu melech ha’olam, boray p’ri hagafen.

Blessed are you, Eternal our God, Sovereign of the universe, who creates the fruit of the vine.

Hamotzi (blessing over the challah):
Baruch atah Adonai Elohenu melech ha’olam, hamotzi lechem min ha’aretz.

Blessed are you, Eternal our God, Sovereign of the universe, who brings forth bread from the earth.

ROSH HASHANA

Sept. 17-18, 2012

Sept. 5-6, 2013

Rosh Hashana, literally “Head of the Year,” is the Jewish New Year. It takes place in the fall, and is the time when we review the year that is drawing to a close and set our course for the year ahead. The Hebrew dates of Rosh Hashana are the 1 and 2 Tishrei, at the time of the new moon. Rosh Hashana ushers in the *Yamim Noraim*, the “Days of Awe,” which comprise what is known as the High Holiday season.



In the month prior to the new year, we seek reconciliation with others from whom we may be estranged, hoping to enter the new year with a clean slate. Our prayers at this season help us to focus on repentance, prayer and righteous giving as the means to seek reconciliation with the Holy One. We acknowledge that we cannot ask God to forgive us for pain we have caused to others until we have sought forgiveness from those we may have hurt. The holiday is known as *Yom HaDin*, the Day of Judgment. We judge ourselves, and God judges our actions.

Rosh Hashana, fundamentally, is a reminder that our actions have consequences. We imagine God opening the book of our lives and judging our behavior in the year that is drawing to a close. Rosh Hashana is also called *Yom HaZikaron*, the Day of Remembrance. It is a solemn time, and we spend many hours in prayer in the synagogue reflecting on our life and legacy. The shofar, ram’s horn, is sounded throughout our services, arousing our souls to repentance.

Rosh Hashana begins, as do so many holidays, with a festive meal at home, including the lighting of candles and a special Kiddush. Traditional foods such as apples and honey are consumed, expressing our hope for a sweet year. The braided challah of Shabbat may be replaced with a round challah, as we pray for a year that is “well-rounded.” On the first day of the holiday (or the second day if the first day is the Sabbath), we enjoy the *tashlich* service. The community gathers at a place of flowing water and casts breadcrumbs into the water, symbolizing the casting off of the sins that have accumulated during the year.

On Rosh Hashana we greet each other with the words, “*Shana Tova*,” a good year, or, more expansively, “*L’Shana Tovah Tikatevu*,” may you be inscribed for a good year,” continuing the metaphor of the Book of Life.

Following Rosh Hashana, we enter the *Aseret Y’mei Teshuva*, the “Ten Days of Repentance.” This is the time when we take the accumulated lessons of our reflections on Rosh Hashana and demonstrate our commitment to translate them into practice.



YOM KIPPUR

Sept. 26, 2012
Sept. 14, 2013



Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement, is the culmination of the High Holiday season. It is the holiest day of the Jewish year. For those who are physically able to do so, it is customary to fast for the entire day, beginning before sundown and for the duration of the holiday. We refrain from food and drink and other physical luxuries, expressing our focus on spiritual values on this day. Together we chant the *Vidui*, the confession of sins, and we specify those sins in the *Al Cheyt* prayer. Much of Jewish prayer is in the plural, as we support each other in the acknowledgement of our many failings.

Yom Kippur takes place on the 10th day of the month of Tishrei. We light the holiday candles and share a final meal before the fast begins. Those who have lost a loved one—parent, child, spouse or sibling, light a memorial candle as well. The synagogue service on Yom Kippur will include special *Yizkor*, memorial, prayers.

Worship begins with the Kol Nidre service. The haunting melody of this prayer is one of the most recognizable in all of Jewish liturgy. The words *kol nidrei* are translated as “all vows.” Through this prayer, we consider the slate wiped clean of any vows to God we may have made in the previous year. On Yom Kippur day, we read the story of Jonah, inspired by the people of Nineveh and their immediate responsiveness to the call to repentance.

As the sun sets, the pace of our prayers quickens with the *Neilah* service, as the Day of Atonement ends. With one final blast of the shofar, we return to our homes to break the fast, with hearts and spirits renewed and ready to enter the new year.

SUKKOT

Oct. 1-7, 2012
Sept. 19-25, 2013



Four days after Yom Kippur, a day focused essentially on the spiritual, we celebrate the fall harvest festival of Sukkot, the Feast of Booths, starting on 14 Tishrei, the full moon of the fall equinox. Sukkot is one of the three biblical pilgrimage festivals on which adult males were expected to make a pilgrimage to the Temple in Jerusalem. Each of these holidays has both an agricultural as well as a historical reference. Sukkot reminds us of the temporary dwellings of our Israelite ancestors as they journeyed in the wilderness for 40 years from Egypt to the Promised Land. Sukkot is said to

be the foundation of the American celebration of Thanksgiving.

Traditional Jews construct a sukkah, a harvest booth, at their homes. Many will sleep in the sukkah throughout the eight days of the holiday; certainly we should strive to eat as many meals as we can in the sukkah. A temporary dwelling, the sukkah is decorated with fruits and vegetables, with posters and lights. Some people save their Rosh Hashana cards and use those to adorn the sukkah.

The fragility of the sukkah is a reminder of the fragility of our lives. We reflect on the transience of our possessions and renew our commitment to enduring values. As we live for a week in an insecure dwelling, we think of those who do not enjoy the substantial homes with which we are blessed, as we renew our commitment, as well, to work for a time when all will enjoy secure shelter.

As we sit in our sukkah, we invite *Ushpizin*, “mystical guests,” each night to join the friends and family who share our harvest hut. It is fun to consider which historical Jewish personalities we would like to include if given the opportunity. In the synagogue, we read the book of Ecclesiastes at this holiday.

Sukkot is celebrated for eight days in traditional communities; for seven days by many in accordance with the practice in the land of Israel. The first two and last two days are considered full holidays, in which we abstain from work. These restrictions are relaxed on the middle days, known as *Chol Hamoed*. The *Yizkor* prayers are included on the final day of the holiday, and we recite *Hallel*, a special series of psalms of praise, on each day of Sukkot.

The Torah instructs us to shake the *lulav* and *etrog* as part of our Sukkot experience. Known as the four species, these elements include a palm branch, willow and myrtle fronds, and a citron or lemon-like fruit. There are many beautiful interpretations of the *lulav* and *etrog*, which are waved in six directions as part of our worship, symbolizing God’s presence which surrounds us always. The *lulav* and *etrog* represent each person in our community: our community is incomplete without the participation of each Jew. They remind us to serve God with our entire being.

The following is a description of rules and regulations pertaining to the construction of a sukkah:

- 1) It must be less than 30 feet high.
- 2) The walls must be strong enough to withstand ordinary gusts of wind.
- 3) The shade offered by the roof covering of the sukkah must block the rays of sun, yet the stars must be visible through the roof.
- 4) There must be at least three walls, made of any material.
- 5) The

sukkah must be a temporary structure, so a screened-in porch or a screened house cannot serve as a sukkah. 6) It is a mitzvah (a commandment) to eat meals in the sukkah during the holiday.

Sukkot is known as *He-Chag*, The holiday, the time of greatest joy in our calendar.

HOSHANA RABBA

Oct. 7, 2012
Sept. 25, 2013



Hoshana Rabba takes place on the seventh day of Sukkot. Tradition suggests that it is on this date that the High Holiday season truly concludes, as God seals our Book of Life. We make seven circuits around the synagogue, each one characterized by a prayer asking for God to save us — hence the name “The Great Hoshanah.” The *lulav* and *etrog* are carried in these processions. In some communities it is customary to hold a *tikkun*, an all-night study session, in anticipation of Hoshana Rabba.

SHEMINI ATZERET and SIMCHAT TORAH

Oct. 8-9, 2012
Sept. 26-27, 2013



Shemini Atzeret, the Eighth Day of Assembly and Simchat Torah, rejoicing with the Torah, are the conclusion of the fall holiday season. They may be combined as a one-day observance in many non-Orthodox communities.

Shemini Atzeret marks the eighth day of Sukkot. This season marks the beginning of the rainy season in the land of Israel, so, on Shemini Atzeret, we add prayers for rain to our daily liturgy. On Sukkot we offer prayers for each of the nations of the world. On Shemini Atzeret, God invites the Jewish people to linger in the holiday spirit, expressing the unique closeness between the Holy One and the people of Israel.

On Simchat Torah, we celebrate the completion of our cycle of Torah reading, from Genesis through Deuteronomy, and we begin our study for the year ahead. We demonstrate our devotion to learning as we immediately read the first words of Genesis upon completion of Deuteronomy. It is a special honor to be called to recite the blessings for either one of these readings. Simchat Torah is characterized by joyous singing and dancing. In many congregations, the entire Torah scroll will be unfurled.



HANUKKAH

Dec. 8, 2012
First candle



Hanukkah is one of the best known of the Jewish holidays, though it is, in reality, a minor festival. Hanukkah means dedication and we commemorate the rededication of the Holy Temple in Jerusalem. In the year 168 B.C.E., Antiochus Epiphanes forbade the practice of the Jewish religion. Led by the Maccabees, the Jews fought for three years to reclaim the right of freedom of religious expression.

In the year 165 B.C.E., they rededicated the Temple. Legend suggests that they found enough oil to light the menorah, the candelabrum in the Temple for only one night, and that oil miraculously lasted for eight days. Thus, Hanukkah is celebrated with the kindling of a nine-branched menorah known as a *hanukkiyah*. The *shamash*, or helper candle, is lit each night, and used to light the other candles. One candle is added each night from right to left; the menorah is lit from left to right, with the newest candle lit first.

As we recall the miracle of the oil, it is customary to eat foods cooked in oil — primarily latkes/fried potato pancakes and *sufganiyot*/jelly donuts. The themes of Hanukkah — the victory of the few against the many, light in the face of darkness, martyrdom and miracles, and religious freedom — have resonated with Jews throughout the centuries. Hanukkah is the only Jewish holiday that celebrates a military victory. The Rabbis tempered this emphasis by including as the reading from the prophets the text from Zechariah, “Not by might, not by power, but by My spirit, says God.”

Two blessings are said each night. A third, the *Shehecheyanu* (a blessing recited at joyful occasions throughout the year), is said on the first night only. Following is the transliteration for the Hebrew, with English translation:

Shehecheyanu:

Baruch atah Adonai Eloheinu melech ha'olam, shehecheyanu vekiyemanu vehigiyanu lazman hazeh.

Blessed are you, Eternal our God, Sovereign of the universe, who has given us life, sustained us and brought us to this holy moment.

The following are said each night:

Baruch atah Adonai Eloheinu melech ha'olam asher kideshanu bemitzvotav vetzivanu l'hadlik ner shel Hanukkah.

Blessed are you, Eternal our God, Sovereign of the universe, who makes us holy with your mitzvot and has given us the mitzvah of lighting the Hanukkah candles.

Baruch atah Adonai Eloheinu melech ha'olam

she'asah nissim la'avotenu bayamim haheem bazman hazeh.

Blessed are you, Eternal our God, Sovereign of the universe, who performed miracles for our ancestors in those days at this time.

TU B'SHEVAT

Jan. 26, 2013

Tu b'Shevat — the name of this holiday is synonymous with its date, the 15th day of the month of Shevat. Tu b'Shevat is the Jewish New Year of the Trees. There are many biblical precepts which require us to know the age of trees. Tu b'Shevat is their birthday celebration.

With the renewed emphasis in the contemporary world on the importance of protecting the natural world has come a renewed emphasis on this holiday. Within the Jewish mystical tradition, a custom evolved of a Tu b'Shevat seder, a ritual meal where 15 types of fruits and nuts are consumed, four cups of wine or juice are blessed, readings about trees are shared and prayers are said on behalf of our fragile ecology. Many people donate money to plant trees in Israel at the time of Tu b'Shevat.



PURIM

Feb. 24, 2013

The holiday of Purim, or “Lots,” comes at the time of the last full moon of winter. Based on the biblical megillah, or scroll of Esther, we rejoice as, once again, the Jewish people were saved from the forces of destruction. We read the story of how the wicked Haman conspired with King Achashverosh to kill all of the Jews, and how the brave Esther, working with her relative Mordecai, saved the day. As the Megillah is read, graggers/noise-makers are used to drown out the name of the villain each time it is mentioned.

Purim begins with a festive meal at home and many people wear costumes to the reading of the Megillah in synagogue. It is a mitzvah to hear the Megillah and to give money to the poor to ensure that they have the means to celebrate (*matanot l'evyonim*). We are also to send gifts of food to at least two other individuals — *mishloach manot* or *shal-achmones*. Among the traditional foods are hamantaschen, three-cornered cookies which are said to resemble Haman's hat.



PASSOVER

March 26-April 2, 2013
First seder March 25

The holiday of Pesach/Passover is one of the



most beloved holidays of the Jewish calendar. Passover is observed each year on the 14th of Nisan, the full moon of the spring equinox. It is the second of the three biblical pilgrimage festivals and commemorates the exodus from Egyptian slavery.

The Torah tells us that our ancestors fled from Egypt in haste, with no time for their dough to rise. Therefore, we are commanded to eat unleavened bread, matzah, throughout the seven or eight days of our observance. Traditional Jews will remove all *chametz*, leavened products, from their possession in the weeks prior to Passover. This culminates in the *bedikat chametz*, the search for *chametz*, on the night before the onset of the holiday. The next morning, any remaining *chametz* is ritually burned.

Services are held in the synagogue on each day of the holiday, with the first two and last two days having special religious emphasis. The Hallel service of praise is included each day, though the Hallel is abbreviated after the first two: Our rejoicing is diminished as we reflect on the suffering of the Egyptians through the 10 plagues which were a necessary part of the process of our liberation. *Yizkor* takes place on the final day and we read the biblical text, *Shir HaShirim*, the Song of Songs.

The highlight of Pesach is the seder, a ritual meal in which symbolic foods are used to tell the story of the Exodus. There are hundreds of versions of the Haggadah, the text for the seder meal. Bitter herbs remind us of the bitterness of slavery, *charoset* suggests the bricks our ancestors built as slaves, parsley dipped in salt water recalls the springtime origin of the holiday and the tears of the captive Israelites. Four cups of wine are consumed and the youngest child present poses four questions. The seder is characterized by much singing and leisurely celebration. Seders are held on each of the first two nights of Pesach.

YOM HASHOAH

April 7, 2013

Yom Hashoah is the day established by the State of Israel in remembrance of the devastation of the Nazi era, the Holocaust. It is a somber reminder of this darkest moment in our history. Most communities will hold services and ceremonies to recall the 6 million Jews and 5 million other children of God killed during the Shoah. We give thanks for the righteous individuals who risked their lives to save our people, and we reflect on the human capacity for evil. We remind the world that “never again” can genocide be tolerated.





Religious Life

YOM HAZIKARON

April 15, 2013

In Israel, Yom Hazikaron, Israel's Memorial Day for the Fallen and Victims of Terror, takes place on the fourth day of Iyar, the day before Yom Ha'atzmaut. On Yom Hazikaron, a siren is sounded twice throughout the country (at 8 p.m. and 11 a.m.) and all traffic and daily activity stops as the entire nation observes two minutes of silence. Outside of Israel, Yom Hazikaron is often commemorated as part of the Yom Ha'atzmaut observance.



cave when the Romans forbade him to study Torah. When Bar Yochai died, he asked his followers not to mourn but rather to celebrate his death.

In traditional communities, weddings are not held during *sefirat ha-Omer*. This prohibition is lifted on the 33rd day, so Lag b'Omer is often a day for weddings and other personal celebrations.

YOM HA'ATZMAUT

April 16, 2013

Yom Ha'Atzmaut, Israel's independence day, is celebrated on the fifth day of the Hebrew month of Iyar, the date the nation was founded. While there is no particular liturgy for this day, it is an emerging practice to recite Hallel, psalms of praise, as we give thanks for the establishment of the Jewish state. The words of "HaTikvah" ("The Hope"), Israel's national anthem, remind us that contemporary Israel is the fulfillment of 2,000 years of the Jewish yearning to return to our homeland.



YOM YERUSHALAYIM

May 8, 2013

Yom Yerushalayim, a relatively new holiday, honors the city of Jerusalem. It celebrates the unification of the city after the Six-Day War in June 1967.



LAG B'OMER

April 28, 2013

Lag b'Omer is the 33rd day of the omer. Beginning on the second night of Passover, we count each night until the next major festival of Shavuot. The omer was a measure of grain, and the time of *sefirat ha-omer*, counting the omer, is a solemn period of seven weeks as we work for a successful harvest. This time period was also characterized by Roman oppression. Through this counting, we connect the season of our liberation with the giving of the Torah, which provides structure and meaning to that freedom.



SHAVUOT

May 15-16, 2013

Shavuot, the feast of weeks, is the third of the three pilgrimage festivals. We celebrate God's giving the Torah to the Jewish people at Mount Sinai; the harvest in Israel; the end of the counting of the omer; and the beginning of a new agricultural season.



Reform Jews usually observe only the first day of the holiday. Traditions of Shavuot include decorating the home and synagogue with green plants and branches to celebrate the season, eating dairy foods because the Torah has been compared to "milk and honey," and reading the Book of Ruth. The story of Ruth is set at the time of the harvest, and her devotion to her mother-in-law, Naomi, and dedication to the Jewish way of life inspire us a role model in our own religious lives.

Legend has it that the Israelites fell asleep while waiting for Moses to return from the mountain. We demonstrate our commitment to receiving the Torah through a *Tikkun Leyl Shavuot*, an all-night study session in anticipation of the morning service. The synagogue services follow a regular festival liturgy, including Hallel and Yizkor.

The Jewish mystical tradition suggests that each day of the counting of the omer expresses a unique combination of *Sefirot*, aspects of the Divine. As we count each day, we focus on the attributes of God associated with that day.

On Lag b'Omer, we enjoy a one-day reprieve within this subdued time period. Lag b'Omer is celebrated with picnics and other outdoor activities. In Israel, picnickers light bonfires. Traditional Jews mark the holiday by giving the first haircut to 3-year-old boys. Lag b'Omer is sometimes known as the "scholars' holiday" because of its association with Rabbi Akiva, who died a martyr to freedom, and Rabbi Simeon Bar Yochai, who taught in a

TISHA B'AV

July 16, 2013

Tisha b'Av, the ninth day of the month of Av, is the second most significant fast day in the Jewish calendar, second only to Yom Kippur. We fast from sundown to sundown as we recall the destruction of the First (586 B.C.E.) and Second (70 C.E.) Temples in Jerusalem. Tisha b'Av is also associated with many other tragedies in the Jewish calendar. We sit on the floor and chant in a mournful key the biblical text of Eicha/Lamentations, which describes the horrendous history of destruction.



KEEPING KOSHER

Kashrut, keeping kosher, is a system of laws and practices derived from several sources.

First, there is the biblical injunction to maintain holiness before God, which includes eating only those animals, birds and fish that are kosher or acceptable.

Second, there is the attitude that, through these laws, a person practices discipline over his or her behavior, in this case what he or she eats. Third, kashrut is intimately tied to the concept of reverence for life. Creatures used for food must be slaughtered in a prescribed ritual and humane way with the blood (life) carefully removed before the flesh is cooked and eaten. Further, the life-giving milk is kept separate from the meat to ensure that the two are never cooked or eaten together.

The following foods are kosher:

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Rabbi Dovie Shapiro

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100 Meadowlark Drive
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Sedona, AZ 86339
(928) 204-1286, Fax: (928) 204-2616
www.jcsvv.org
Rabbi Alicia Magal
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Mailing address: P.O. Box 5634
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Meets at 781 S. Second Ave., Yuma
Information: (928) 210-8368
bethhamidbar@gmail.com
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12701 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 206
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jewished@bjephoenix.org
Director: Aaron Scholar
Family Educator Coordinator: Linda Feldman
Library Director: Elaine Hirsch
Program Director: Myra Shindler
Jewish Marriage & Jewish Baby University, parenting programs, non-Jewish parents programs, Baby and Me/Toddler Shabbats, PJ Library, Lending Library & Resource Center. Card catalog online.

Chabad of Arizona

2110 E. Lincoln Drive
Phoenix, AZ 85016
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info@chabadaz.com
www.chabadaz.com
Director: Rabbi Zalman Levertov
Headquarters invested in community education and outreach. Tuition organization, camp, chaplaincy, Roving Rabbis, library, child/adult education, Friendship Circle, Smile on Seniors, C-Teen, pastoral services, mikvah. 18 locations.

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12701 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 120
Scottsdale, AZ 85254
480-634-4944, Fax: 480-634-4586
www.iljcc.org
Facility Director: Dae Williams
Home to: Jewish Community Association of Greater Phoenix, Valley of the Sun Jewish Community Center, Bureau of Jewish Education, Council For Jews With Special Needs, Jewish Tuition Organization, Jewish Community Foundation, Jewish Genetic Disease Center, PJ Library and BBYO.

Jewish Community Association of Greater Phoenix

12701 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 201
Scottsdale, AZ 85254
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jfed@jewishphoenix.org
www.jewishphoenix.org
Board Chair: Bob Silver
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Central agency for community planning, fundraising and outreach. Mission: ensure Jewish identity and enhance Jewish life, locally and worldwide. Includes annual campaign and Women's Philanthropy.

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Chandler, AZ 85224
480-897-0588, Fax: 480-517-0124
info@evjcc.org
www.evjcc.org
Executive Director: Steve Tepper
President: Brad Singer
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Jewish Community Center/ Valley of the Sun

12701 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 203
Scottsdale, AZ 85254
480-483-7121, Fax: 480-483-8441
info@vosjcc.org
www.vosjcc.org
President & CEO: Stuart Wachs
Board President: David Tinkelman
Programming and services for all ages; preschool, children/teens, camping, adult learning, boomers, seniors, fitness, Israel; and JewishNewish which provides Welcome Paks for newcomers.

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Jewish Community Foundation of Greater Phoenix

12701 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 202
Scottsdale, AZ 85254
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info@jcfphoenix.org
www.jcfphoenix.org
President: Stuart C. Turgel
Chair: Bryan Kort
Regional center for long-term Jewish philanthropy. Manages permanent endowments, Donor Advised Funds, B'nai Tzedek Youth Philanthropy Program and competitive grantmaking program to support Jewish causes.

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P.O. Box 2684
Prescott, AZ 86302
(928) 717-0016, Fax: (928) 771-0980
info@jcfgp.org
www.jcfgp.org
President: David S. Hess, (928) 771-0978
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See also: JFCS programs in Seniors and Wellness.

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Jewish Free Loan

3443 N. Central Ave., Suite 707
Phoenix, AZ 85012
602-230-7983, Fax: 602-230-0180
www.jewishfreeloan.org
www.jewishfreeloanblog.org
President: Fred Wabnik
Executive Director: Tina Sheinbein
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Jewish Genetic Diseases Center of Greater Phoenix

12701 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 201
Scottsdale, AZ 85254
480-668-3347, Fax: 480-209-1963
info@jewishgeneticsphx.org
www.jewishgeneticsphx.org
Executive Director: Debra Kleinberg
President: Sherman Minkoff, M.D.
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ORGANIZATIONS & PROGRAMS

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www.bnaibrith.org

Organization committed to the security and continuity of the Jewish people and the State of Israel, combating anti-Semitism, bigotry and ignorance, and providing service to the community.

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Scottsdale, AZ 85267
480-359-7262
www.brandeisphoenix.com

Co-presidents: Lori Roth-clanroth@gmail.com
Marcy Strauss-mss29@comcast.net
Provides study groups, community service, events and faculty speakers. Supports libraries, scientific research and scholarships at Brandeis University.

Hadassah Shalom Chapter

Co-presidents: Adrian Goldman, Ruth Lavin
480-883-1044
Area: Sun Lakes
Meetings: monthly, afternoons
Any age welcome.

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President: Arlene Brown, 623-544-0180
dezinegp@cox.net
Area: West Valley
Meetings: second Monday of every month, 10 a.m.
Call for location.

Hadassah Valley of the Sun Chapter

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Jewish Social Connection

Contact: Billie Gross, 623-584-1977
Meetings: Fourth Sunday afternoon of each month, Sun City West Foundation Building, 14465 W.R.H. Johnson Blvd., Sun City West.
Monthly social events. Social/cultural club for Jewish people. Members are single and married, including interfaith couples from Sun City, Sun City West and neighboring communities.

Jewish Technical Assistance Center

Jewish Community Foundation
12701 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 202
Scottsdale, AZ 85254
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jtac@jcfphoenix.org
www.jcfphoenix.org
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Commander: David Wacknov, 602-274-5959
Meetings: September-June, first Sunday, VA Hospital, 650 E. Indian School Road, Phoenix

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Commander: Mel Mintz, 480-588-1844
P.O. Box 13113, Chandler, AZ 85248-3113
Meetings: Monthly, third Sunday morning; brunch

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Community

Jewish Women's Circle, Scottsdale

Chabad of Scottsdale
10215 N. Scottsdale Road
Scottsdale, AZ 85253
480-998-1410

jwccottsdale@gmail.com

Director: Dina Levertov

Meets monthly for discussions, holiday preparations, crafts, lectures, Torah study, cooking demonstrations and classes. *Bikkur cholim* projects.

Jewish Women International

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Greater Phoenix Chapter

Contact: Harriet Robbins, 602-944-3455

Meetings: Monthly, second Wednesday

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Southeast Valley

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Area Coordinator: Hilary Botchin

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hatikvahaz@gmail.com

President: Hope Weiss, 480-628-7710

National Board Member: Susan Rudolph

Meetings: first Tuesday of each month

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President: Ruth Becker, 602-246-8399

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Arizona Section President:

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President: Joyce Dimond, 480-563-1797

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P.O. Box 30213

Phoenix, AZ 85046-0213

602-788-7003

phxhsa@gmail.com

www.phoenixholocaustsurvivorsassociation.org

President: Joan Sitver

Dedicated to the remembrance of the Shoah through education. Survivors speak throughout the state (primarily in schools). Annual Yom Hashoah commemoration. Devoted to survivors' needs.

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West Valley Jewish Women's Circle

Chabad of the Northwest Valley
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Glendale, AZ 85308
602-375-2422

Director: Chana Lew
Project of Chabad of the Northwest Valley, to create an opportunity for Jewish women to meet, socialize and learn.

PUBLIC AFFAIRS

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American Jewish Committee

602-539-2895
www.ajc.org/arizona
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Anti-Defamation League

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Chairman: Paul Rubin
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Executive Director: Marcia Balonick
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www.rjchq.org
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- Speakers Bureau
- Sign Language Interpreters
- Summer Camp Inclusion Support
- Religious School Inclusion Support
- Simchat Shabbat Service
- Teen and Adult Social Groups

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Community

Council for Jews With Special Needs

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Executive Director: Becca Hornstein
Board President: Mark Bregman
Disability resources for children and adults who have disabilities, to enable them to participate in activities in the Jewish community.

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Phoenix, AZ 85023
602-748-4000
rcohen@jsupportaz.com
www.jsupportaz.com
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602-971-1234, Fax: 602-971-5909
ssilverman@templechai.com
www.templechai.com
Director: Sharona Silverman
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YOUNG ADULTS

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Jewish Sisterhood of Arizona

jewishsisterhood@gmail.com
Contact: Holly Witzer
For Jewish women in their 20s and 30s in the Greater Phoenix area.

L'Chaim! Young Jewish Professionals

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Chandler, AZ 85226
602-618-5886
info@lchaimyp.com
www.lchaimyp.com
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Contact: Cory Shapiro
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Yad B'Yad Social Group

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Executive Director: Becca Hornstein
Board President: Mark Bregman
Social club for adults with mild to moderate disabilities. Twice monthly gatherings focus on Jewish education and recreational activities.

Young Jewish Phoenix

Jewish Community Association of Greater Phoenix & Valley of the Sun Jewish Community Center
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Scottsdale, AZ 85254
480-634-4900, ext. 1205, Fax: 480-634-4588
info@youngjewishphoenix.org
www.jewishphoenix.org
Staff: Erin Searle, erins@vosjcc.org
Engages young adults (22-40) with opportunities to build and maintain Jewish connections with one another and the organized Jewish community.

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Scottsdale, AZ
480-515-1935
jewishsingles@aol.com
Contacts: Barbara Allyn
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 armdiarizona@yahoo.com
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 480-216-4280
 Chairman: Steve Rosenbaum
 Sponsors the annual Israeli Scout Friendship Caravan's visit to the Valley. Featuring 16- and 17-year-old pre-army scouts singing and dancing.

Consulate General of Israel

11766 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1600
 Los Angeles, CA 90025
 (323) 852-5500, Fax: (323) 852-5566
 www.israella.org
 Consul General of Israel in Los Angeles:
 David Siegel
 Consul for Culture, Media and Public Diplomacy:
 Yehudit Galilee Metzger
 Provides educational, political and cultural information about Israel through speakers and written and audiovisual materials.

Friends of the IDF (FIDF)

602-388-8344, Fax: 602-388-8348
 www.fidf.org
 Chapter Director: Jerami Shecter
 jerami.shecter@fidf.org
 Chapter Chair: Judy Laufer
 Established 1981 by Holocaust survivors as a nonprofit organization providing educational, social, cultural and recreational programs and facilities for men and women of the IDF.

Israel Bonds – Development Corporation for Israel

Registered Representative: Bob Leve
 4500 S. Lakeshore Drive, Suite 355
 Tempe, AZ 85282
 480-948-7315, (800) 229-4324, Fax: 480-948-7413
 phoenix@israelbonds.com
 www.israelbonds.com
 Israel Bonds are investment-grade securities. Proceeds from the sale of Israel Bonds build and strengthen every aspect of Israel's economy and infrastructure. Member FINRA, SIPC.

The Israel Center/TIPS Partnership

Jewish Community Association of Greater Phoenix & Valley of the Sun Jewish Community Center
 12701 N. Scottsdale Road
 Scottsdale, AZ 85254
 480-634-4900, ext. 1109, Fax: 480-634-4588
 Israel Center Director: Tamar Farber
 tamarf@vosjcc.org
 israelcenter@jewishphoenix.org
 www.jewishphoenix.org
 A central resource for Israel activities, trips and scholarships. Dedicated to providing educational and inspirational programming and offering people-to-people connections to Israel through TIPS.

Jewish National Fund

1645 E. Missouri Ave., Suite 110
 Phoenix, AZ 85016
 602-277-4800, Fax: 602-277-4343
 Tree Hotline: (800) 542-8733
 www.jnf.org
 President: Ann Zinman
 Regional Director: Ted J. Kort
 Deals with quality of life issues in Israel, including the water crisis and Blueprint Negev, a massive undertaking that involves building new communities for 250,000 people in the Negev Desert.

Tzedakah Fund Inc.

P.O. Box 9806
 Phoenix, AZ 85068
 602-588-0006, Fax: 602-588-0869
 tfi@ewaxman.com
 Co-presidents:
 Elaine Hammerschlag
 Sue Rutkin
 Nonprofit Arizona corporation organized in 1984 for direct, grass-roots giving to people and small organizations who minister to the needs of the disadvantaged in Israel. No overhead.

TRAVEL

El Al Israel Airlines

District Sales Office: 8383 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 363
 Beverly Hills, CA 90211
 (323) 852-1252
 www.elal.co.il
 Reservations: (800) 223-6700
 Airline providing nonsmoking flights to Israel from Los Angeles, New York, Chicago and Miami.

Israel Government Tourist Office

11766 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1600
 Los Angeles, CA 90025
 (323) 658-7463
 Fax: (323) 658-6543
 igtolosangeles@imot.org
 www.goisrael.com
 Information about tourism to Israel. PR and promotion. Provides maps, brochures and films concerning travel to Israel.



5773 Candlelighting Times

Shabbat and holidays begin at sunset. For additional information, see Pages 11-14.

2012

September

	Candlelighting	Shabbat ends	Parsha
Sept. 7	6:27 p.m.	7:21 p.m.	Ki Tavo
Sept. 14	6:18	7:11	Nitzavim

Rosh Hashana

Sept. 16 6:15

Sept. 17 after 7:08

Sept. 18 7:07

Sept. 21 6:08 7:01 Vayelech

Yom Kippur

Sept. 25 6:02

Sept. 26 6:56

Sept. 28 5:58 6:52 Ha'Azinu

Sukkot

Sept. 30 5:56

October

Oct. 1 after 6:49

Oct. 2 6:48

Oct. 5 5:49 6:42

Shemini Atzeret

Oct. 7 5:46

Simchat Torah

Oct. 8 after 6:40

Oct. 9 6:39

Oct. 12 5:40 6:34 Bereshit

Oct. 19 5:31 6:26 Noach

Oct. 26 5:24 6:18 Lech-Lecha

November

Nov. 2 5:17 6:12 Vayeira

Nov. 9 5:11 6:07 Chayei Sarah

Nov. 16 5:07 6:03 Toldot

Nov. 23 5:04 6:01 Vayitzei

Nov. 30 5:02 6:00 Vayishlach

December

Dec. 7 5:02 6:01 Vayeishev

Hanukkah-first candle

Dec. 8

Dec. 14 5:04 6:02 Miketz

Dec. 21 5:06 6:06 Vayigash

Dec. 28 5:11 6:10 Vayechi

2013

January

	Candlelighting	Shabbat ends	Parsha
Jan. 4	5:15 p.m.	6:14 p.m.	Shemot
Jan. 11	5:21	6:20	Va'eira
Jan. 18	5:28	6:26	Bo
Jan. 25	5:34	6:32	Beshalach

February

Feb. 1	5:41	6:39	Yitro
Feb. 8	5:48	6:45	Mishpatim
Feb. 15	5:54	6:51	Terumah
Feb. 22	6:01	6:57	Tetzaveh

March

March 1	6:06	7:02	Ki Tasa
March 8	6:12	7:08	Vayak'hel-Pekudei
March 15	6:18	7:13	Vayikra
March 22	6:23	7:19	Tzav

Passover

March 25 6:25

March 26 after 7:21

March 27 7:22

March 29 6:28 7:24

March 31 6:30

April

April 1 after 7:26

April 2 7:26

April 5 6:33 7:29 Shemini

April 12 6:38 7:35 Tazria-

Metzora

April 19 6:44 7:41 Acharei-Mot-

Kedoshim

April 26 6:49 7:47 Emor

May

May 3 6:54 7:53 Behar-

Bechukotai

May 10 7:00 7:59 Bamidbar

Shavuot

May 14 7:03

May 15 after 8:02

May 16 8:03

May 17 7:05 8:05 Naso

May 24 7:10 8:10 Beha'alotcha

May 31 7:14 8:16 Sh'lach-Lecha

June

	Candlelighting	Shabbat ends	Parsha
June 7	7:18 p.m.	8:20 p.m.	Korach
June 14	7:21	8:23	Chukat
June 21	7:23	8:25	Balak
June 28	7:24	8:26	Pinchas

July

July 5	7:24	8:25	Matot-Masei
July 12	7:22	8:23	Devarim
July 19	7:19	8:19	Va'etchanan
July 26	7:15	8:14	Ekev

August

Aug. 2	7:10	8:08	Re'eh
Aug. 9	7:03	8:00	Shoftim
Aug. 16	6:56	7:52	Ki Tetze
Aug. 23	6:48	7:43	Ki Tavo
Aug. 30	6:39	7:34	Nitzavim-Vayelech

September

Rosh Hashana

Sept. 4 6:33

Sept. 5 after 7:27

Sept. 6 6:30 7:24 Ha'Azinu

Yom Kippur

Sept. 13 6:20 7:14

Sept. 14

Sukkot

Sept. 18 6:13

Sept. 19 after 7:07

Sept. 20 6:11 7:04

Shemini Atzeret

Sept. 25 6:04

Simchat Torah

Sept. 26 after 6:57

Sept. 27 6:01 6:54 Bereshit



CAMPS

Many of the camps listed use high school and college students as counselors and assistants. Contact camps directly for information. Some local synagogues also have day camps.

Day Camps

Camp Gan Israel Day Camp

Chabad of the East Valley
3875 W. Ray Road, Suite 6
Chandler, AZ 85226
480-855-4333
info@chabadcenter.com
www.chabadcenter.com
Camp Directors: Effy & Mushkie Zimmerman
Ages 4-12. Five weeks packed with Jewish ideas and values. Games, sports, music, gymnastics, arts and crafts, field trips, overnights, challah baking, lessons in Jewish culture.

Camp SEED

A project of the Phoenix Community Kollel
Beth El Congregation
1118 W. Glendale Ave.
Phoenix, AZ 85021
602-741-5122
kollel@aztorah.com
www.aztorah.com
Camps for all ages in a Jewish setting. Separate camps for boys and girls. SEED Classic girls ages 3-10, boys ages 3-5. SEED Seniors girls 11-13. SEED Zone boys 6-12.

Chaverim Tovim

(Good Friends)
Summer Enrichment Program
Temple Emanuel of Tempe
5801 S. Rural Road
Tempe, AZ 85283
480-838-1414, Fax: 480-838-2192
leslie@emanueloftempe.org
Director: Leslie Scheck
Ages 12 months-5 years. Arts and crafts, singing, Jewish cooking, kabbalat Shabbat, *tefillah* (prayer), challah baking and Hebrew vocabulary.

East Valley JCC Day Camp

908 N. Alma School Road
Chandler, AZ 85224
480-897-0588, Fax: 480-517-0124
info@evjcc.org
www.evjcc.org
Director: Josh Traulsen
Ages 2-ninth grade. Activities include swimming, sports, music, field trips, cooking, rock show, arts and crafts, Israeli culture, mitzvot projects, overnights and more.

JCC Day Camp Programs

Valley of the Sun Jewish Community Center
12701 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 203
Scottsdale, AZ 85254

Kochavim Summer Camp

Ages: Six weeks-pre-K
Directors: Deena Boone, deenab@vosjcc.org
Dani Hibert, danih@vosjcc.org
480-659-7769

Shemesh Day Camp

Grades K-11
Directors: Mitch Cohen, mitchc@vosjcc.org
Deborah Winegarten, deborahw@vosjcc.org
480-483-7121, ext. 1275
Providing swimming, arts and crafts, music, sports, Ruach, CIT and service programs for older campers; after-school youth programs, sports leagues, BBYO and Teen Connection.

Resident Camps

Camp Daisy and Harry Stein

Formerly Camp Charles Pearlstein
Camp location: Prescott, AZ
Winter location: Congregation Beth Israel
10460 N. 56th St.
Scottsdale, AZ 85253
480-951-0323, Fax: 480-951-7150
camp@cbiaz.org
www.campcharlespearlstein.com
Camp Director: Jodi Woodnick, LCSW
Arizona's only Jewish resident camp. Second-12th grade. Varied activities for everyone. Leadership-development programs for high-school students. Owned and operated by Congregation Beth Israel.

Friendly Pines Camp

933 Friendly Pines Road
Prescott, AZ 86303
(888) 281-2267, Fax: (928) 445-6065
info@friendlypines.com
www.friendlypines.com
In the cool pines near Prescott, 30-plus activities are offered. Riding, swimming, water-skiing, climbing and more. Excellent camper/staff ratios. Staff background checks/drug tests. ACA accredited.

■ See ad on page 28

YOUTH PROGRAMS

The following are programs for children in elementary school through high school.

B'nai Tzedek Youth Philanthropy Program

Jewish Community Foundation
12701 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 202
Scottsdale, AZ 85254
480-699-1717, Fax: 480-699-1807
acohen@jcfphoenix.org
www.jcfphoenix.org
Director: Andrea Cohen
Chair: Gail Baer
Grades 7-12. The largest teen giving program in Arizona. Service, philanthropy and community involvement.

Girl Scout Troop #1674

gstroop1674@gmail.com
www.girlscoutsaz.org
Troop Co-Leaders: Halle Farber, Alison Feinberg, Kayrn Stocker, Terri Udelman
Girl Scout programming conducted through a traditional Jewish lens. Daisy/Brownie troop for girls entering grades 1-3. Monday afternoon meetings at rotating locations, NE Valley.

Jewish Committee on Scouting

Chairman, Central and Northern Arizona
David Zinder, 602-358-7826
dj91040@cox.net
Chairman, Tucson and Southern Arizona
David Weintraub, (520) 290-5033
davidb.weintraub@gmail.com
Member, National Jewish Committee on Scouting
Lee F. Shedroff, 623-376-8737
lshedroff@aol.com
www.jewishscouting.org
Promotes and recognizes scouting's Jewish Religious Awards Program. Promotes scouting among Jewish youth, helps Jewish institutions provide scouting opportunities and service projects.

Jewish Community Foundation Youth Philanthropy Board

12701 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 202
Scottsdale, AZ 85254
480-699-1717, Fax: 480-699-1807
acohen@jcfphoenix.org
www.jcfphoenix.org
Director: Andrea Cohen
Chair: Gail Baer
Grades 9-12. Leadership, philanthropy and community service for outstanding high school students. Open to B'nai Tzedek teens only.



Kids & Teens

TEEN PROGRAMS

BBYO

(B'nai B'rith Youth Organization)
 Valley of the Sun Jewish Community Center
 12701 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 201
 Scottsdale, AZ 85254
 Mountain Region Program Director:
 Rebekah Rubenstein
 480-634-4900, ext. 1127, Fax: 480-483-8441
 rrubenstein@bbyo.org
 Youth leaders create and lead programs with professional staff and volunteer adult advisers. Judaism, education, social action, community service, athletic, recreation, summer travel experiences.
 AZA (Aleph Zadik Aleph): Boys, grades 9-12
 BBG (B'nai B'rith Girls): Girls, grades 9-12
 BBYO Connect: Grades 6-8

Bureau of Jewish Education/ Hebrew High

Phoenix High School of Jewish Studies
 12701 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 206
 Scottsdale, AZ 85254
 480-634-8050, Fax 480-634-8051
 jewished@bjephoenix.org
 Director: Aaron Scholar
 Hebrew High Principal: Myra Shindler
 AM High School in Israel: Elaine Hirsch
 Family Education: Linda Feldman
 Three campuses: Scottsdale, Chandler and West Valley
 Special programs include: Hebrew for high school language credit, AMHSIsrael, Care-a-van, Hebrew school *limuds*, *Bikur Cholim* hospital volunteers, Bronia and Sam Bronkesh Jewish Spirit Prize, retreats.

Camp Swift Youth Foundation

7950 E. Acoma Drive, Suite 106
 Scottsdale, AZ 85260
 480-443-5645
 campswift@gmail.com
 www.campswift.org
 Executive Director: Whitney Jacobson
 President: Bob Bessen
 Helps Jewish teens fulfill Torah mitzvah of caring for the poor and the stranger by reaching out to inner-city children. Founded 30 years ago.

Keshet Social Group

Council For Jews With Special Needs
 12701 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 205
 Scottsdale, AZ 85254
 480-629-5343, Fax: 480-629-5365
 info@cjsn.org
 www.cjsn.org
 Executive Director: Becca Hornstein
 Board President: Mark Bregman
 Social club for teens and adults with moderate to severe disabilities. Twice monthly gatherings focus on Jewish education and recreational activities.

NFTY

North American Federation of Temple Youth
 NFTY Southwest is the high school-age youth organization of the Reform movement. Activities include weekend retreats, socials, social action, teen issues, Jewish identity and heritage, and creative services.

Beth Israel Temple Youth (BITY)
 Director of Youth: Rabbi Rony Keller
 480-951-0323
 Youth Adviser: Jodi Woodnick
 jodi@cbiaz.org

Gan Elohim Temple Youth (GETY)
 602-690-0448
 Youth Adviser: Cheryl Gardner
 Contact: gardner.cheryl@gmail.com

Kol Ami Temple Youth (KATY)
 480-951-9660
 Youth Adviser: Wendy Herring
 its.wendy@cox.net

Temple Chai Temple Youth (TCTY)
 602-971-1234
 Director of Junior High and High School Programs: Erin Wynn
 ewynn@templechai.com

Temple Emanuel Temple Youth (TETY)
 480-838-1414

Temple Solel Temple Youth (TSTY)
 480-991-7414
 Director of Youth: Deborah Sarna
 dsarna@templesolel.org

The Women's Jewish Learning Center

7825 E. Paradise Lane
 Scottsdale, AZ 85260
 602-402-4173
 elanakanter@womenlearning.org
 www.womenlearning.org
 Director: Rabbi Elana Kanter
 Pre-bat mitzvah workshops Fall 2012, Spring 2013.

USY

United Synagogue Youth
 Part of the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism. Activities open to all Jewish teenagers. An informal educational program consisting of social, religious and educational activities.

Beth El Congregation, 602-944-3359
 Youth Director: Janette Silverman, ext. 123
 jsilverman@bethelphoenix.com

Har Zion Congregation, 480-991-0720
 Youth Director: Marla Medwin, ext. 108
 youthdepartment@harzion.org

Temple Beth Sholom of the East Valley
 480-897-3636
 advisor@tbsev.org

ISRAEL PROGRAMS

Taglit-Birthright Israel®

Hillel Jewish Student Center
 at Arizona State University
 1012 S. Mill Ave.
 Tempe, AZ 85281
 480-967-7563, Fax: 480-966-5402
 hillel@hillelasu.org
 www.hillelasu.org
 Administrative Assistant: Jennifer Williams
 Hillel and Birthright Israel offer free 10-day trips to Israel for Jewish college students ages 18-26 who have not been to Israel on an organized peer trip.

Taglit-Birthright Israel®

Jewish National Fund
 1645 E. Missouri Ave., Suite 110
 Phoenix, AZ 85016
 602-277-4800, ext. 981
 www.jnf.org
 JNF/Shorashim is a free 10-day adventure for Jewish students and young adults. Participants see major sites and learn about environmental issues facing Israel today.

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Rohr Chabad House — Jewish Student Center
at Arizona State University
971 S. Ash Ave.
Tempe, AZ 85281
602-565-4655
chana@jewishasu.com
www.jewishasu.com
www.mayanotisrael.com
Executive Director: Rabbi Shmuel Tiechtel
Associate Director: Chana Tiechtel
Free 10-day trips to Israel for young Jewish adults
ages 18-26.

Taglit-Birthright Israel®/ Grossman Grants for Teen Trips/Gifts of Israel Saving Program

Jewish Community Association of Greater Phoenix
& Valley of the Sun Jewish Community Center
12701 N. Scottsdale Road
Scottsdale, AZ 85254
480-634-4900, ext. 1109, Fax: 480-634-4588
Israel Center Director: Tamar Farber
tamarf@vosjcc.org
israelcenter@jewishphoenix.org
www.jewishphoenix.org
Travel to Israel with assistance from Israel Center.
Young Adults: Free Phoenix Community Birthright
trip; Teens: Scholarships for programs; Children:
Saving account for future trips.

REFERRAL/SUPPORT

Council for Jews with Special Needs

12701 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 205
Scottsdale, AZ 85254
480-629-5343, Fax: 480-629-5365
info@cjsn.org
www.cjsn.org
Executive Director: Becca Hornstein
Board President: Mark Bregman
Provides assistance to children and teens who have
disabling conditions to facilitate inclusion in regular
Jewish preschools, congregational schools, day
schools and Jewish camps.

Friendship Circle

Chabad of Arizona
2110 E. Lincoln Drive
Phoenix, AZ 85016
602-861-1600
info@fcaz.org
www.fcaz.org
Director: Rabbi Mendy Levertov
Programs present families of individuals with special
needs and teen volunteers the opportunity to
form real friendships within a non-judgmental and
supportive community.

ADULT EDUCATION

In addition to the following educational resources,
many local organizations and synagogues offer
study groups and adult classes. See listings under
Valley Congregations and Community.

Arizona Jewish Historical Society

122 E. Culver St.
Phoenix, AZ 85004
602-241-7870
azjhs@aol.com
www.azjhs.org
Executive Director: Lawrence Bell, Ph.D.
Events Coordinator: Rachel Stern
President: Stuart Siefer
Preserves the rich heritage of Arizona's Jewish
communities and educates the public on the Jewish
contribution to Arizona and American life. Sponsors
regular educational programs.

Arizona State University

Jewish Studies Program
480-727-6906, Fax: 480-727-2023
jewish-studies@asu.edu
jewishstudies.asu.edu
Director: Hava Tirosh-Samuelson
Offering a Bachelor of Arts in Jewish Studies and
enhancing knowledge of all facets of Jewish life
through courses, conferences, scholar-in-residence
programs and public lectures.

Beth Ami Temple

Services: 3535 E. Lincoln Drive
Paradise Valley, AZ 85253
Mailing Address:
3104 E. Camelback Road, Suite 508
Phoenix, AZ 85016
602-956-0805 or 602-840-7250
admin@bethamitemple.org
www.bethamitemple.org
Rabbi Arthur J. Abrams
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A small temple with a big heart. Guest speakers,
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Beth Emeth Congregation of the West Valley

13702 W. Meeker Blvd.
Sun City West, AZ 85375
623-584-7210, Fax: 623-975-2976
bethemethaz@gmail.com
www.bethemethaz.org
Rabbi David Rosenberg
President: Paula S. Forster
A Conservative egalitarian multi-generational
congregation affiliated with United Synagogue of
Conservative Judaism. Founded in 1964. Hebrew
classes available.

Brandeis University

Phoenix Chapter
480-699-7003
Co-presidents: Lori Roth-clanroth@gmail.com
Marcy Strauss-mss29@comcast.net
Study from Brandeis University syllabi. Study groups
include contemporary issues, book groups and the
arts. Study groups meet year-round. University
affiliation not required.

Bureau of Jewish Education

12701 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 206
Scottsdale, AZ 85254
480-634-8050, Fax: 480-634-8051
jewished@bjephoenix.org
Director: Aaron Scholar
Program Director: Myra Shindler
Jewish Studies Institute, Lunch and Learn classes,
Hebrew Learn-In, East and West Valley studies, Jew-
ish Life and Learning classes, Conference on the
Holocaust, Jewish Women's University.

Congregation Kehillah

Program address:
Located on the campus of Har Zion Congregation
6140 E. Thunderbird Road
Scottsdale, AZ 85254
602-369-7667
Rabbi Bonnie Sharfman
administrator@kehillahofarizona.org
www.kehillahofarizona.org
Adult education program includes mini-courses,
Torah study, Hebrew, adult b'nai mitzvah, spiritual
practice, Rebbe's Tisch, member-suggested topics,
and independent/chevruta study guided by the
rabbi.

Congregation Or Chadash of the Northeast Valley

9096 E. Bahia Drive, Suite 106
Scottsdale, AZ 85260
480-342-8858, Fax: 480-342-8602
orchadashaz@aol.com
www.congregationorchadash.org
Education Director: Michelle Distel
Adult programs including Scholar-in-Residence,
classes, special holiday celebrations, unique
Shabbat formats.

JCC Adult Programs

Valley of the Sun Jewish Community Center
12701 N. Scottsdale Road, Suite 203
Scottsdale, AZ 85254
480-483-7121, ext. 1205, Fax: 480-483-8441
Adult Services Director: Erin Searle
erins@vosjcc.org
Program Director: Suzanne Swift
suzannes@vosjcc.org
Provides a variety of active adult programs and
activities: Jewish Book & Cultural Arts Fair, trips,
classes, lectures, games, social groups, special events.



Education

Jewish Learning Center

10213 N. Scottsdale Road
Scottsdale, AZ 85253
480-443-5362

learnjewish@gmail.com

Director: Rabbi Yossi Levertov

Various instructors

Various programs from the aleph-bet to the Kaballah, the Talmud, Jewish ethics and everything in between. Open to all, regardless of affiliation or background.

Lev Chadash: Jewish Southwest Encounters

4774 S. Arizona Road
Prescott, AZ 86303

(928) 777-8172

levchadash@cablone.net

Rabbi Nina Perlmutter

Tom Brodersen

Jewish services/Eco-Judaism at Grand Canyon and surroundings. Rabbi serves in Flagstaff. Tom Brodersen is a certified Jewish meditation teacher with a M.S. in Jewish studies.

Or Adam Congregation for Humanistic Judaism

c/o Phoenix Country Day School
3901 E. Stanford Drive
Paradise Valley, AZ 85253
480-663-7788

info@oradam.org

www.oradam.org

Adult Interest Director: Jeffrey Schesno

Adult programs include guest speakers and discussions on issues traditional to contemporary. Secular humanistic perspective on topics including lifecycle, holiday and ceremonial celebrations.

Phoenix Community Kollel

6516 N. Seventh St., Suite 104
Phoenix, AZ 85014
602-433-0300, Fax: 602-285-3033
kollel@aztorah.com

www.aztorah.com

Provides Torah education and outreach to the Jewish community. Programs include communitywide events, adult-education classes, one-on-one study, women's division, advanced Talmud for men and Camp SEED day camps.

Ruach Yeshivah

Ruach Hamidbar-Spirit of the Desert

602-420-1700

office@ruach.org

www.ruach.org

Rabbi Sarah Leah Grafstein

Ongoing classes to discover and create a personal and meaningful Jewish spiritual path. Experience different spiritual practices that will enhance spiritual growth. No experience necessary.

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P.O. Box 26184

Phoenix, AZ 85068-6184

602-904-0417

info@sticenter.org

www.sticenter.org

Scholar-in-Residence: Michael Shapiro

Independent adult study group for anyone wanting to deepen their awareness of the spiritual dimension of life. Drop-in classes every Monday night. Scheduled and special events throughout the year.

Temple Gan Elohim

Services and activities:

Shadow Rock UCC

12861 N. Eighth Ave.

Phoenix, AZ 85029

Mailing address:

P.O. Box 12097

Glendale, AZ 85318-2097

623-210-7435

www.templeganelohim.org

Adult Education Contact: Carol Berger

Adult education explores issues ranging from sacred to secular. Classes held monthly on Sunday afternoons.

The New Shul

7825 E. Paradise Lane

Scottsdale, AZ 85260

480-515-2272, Fax: 480-922-7118

info@thenewshul.org

www.thenewshul.org

Rabbi Michael Wasserman

Rabbi Elana Kanter

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The Women's Jewish Learning Center

7825 E. Paradise Lane

Scottsdale, AZ 85260

602-402-4173

elanakanter@womenlearning.org

www.womenlearning.org

Director: Rabbi Elana Kanter

Cutting-edge Jewish learning for women. For all ages and backgrounds. Classes offered in classroom and online. Classes, events, retreats, visiting scholars and Israel trip.

Valley Beit Midrash

602-330-2335

info@valleybeitmidrash.org

www.valleybeitmidrash.org

Director: Rabbi Darren Kleinberg

A collaborative organization that brings new, exciting and relevant Jewish programming to the Greater Phoenix Jewish community in a diverse, welcoming, engaging and pluralistic setting.

PROGRAMS

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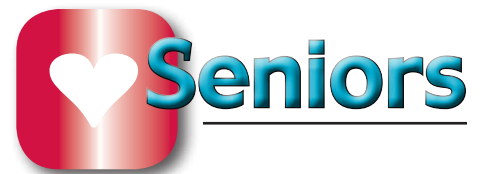
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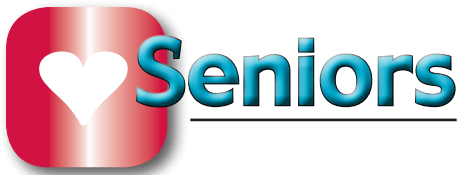
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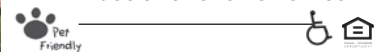
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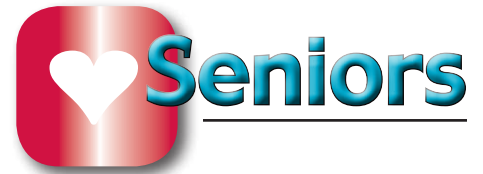
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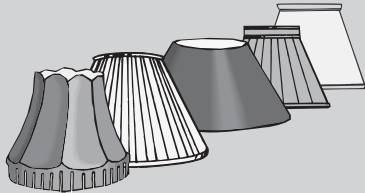
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