



JEWISH WAR VETERANS
of the United States of America
Scottsdale, AZ Post 210
JANUARY 2019 Newsletter



February's meeting will be **Sunday, the 17th** at 10 AM, at the State Veterans Home, 4141 N. S. Herrera Way, just North of Indian School Road, Phoenix. PH: 602-248-1550. Refreshments at 9:30 AM, free to all members and guests.

Our guest speakers for the February meeting are from the Lost Tribe of Arizona a Jewish motorcycle club! This should be very enlightening. Hope you can attend.

COMMANDERS REPORT



Welcome into another new year. And even another one, as we just celebrated Tu B'Shevat, the Jewish New Year for the trees!

Unfortunately our post experienced sadness this past month with the passing of two of our members, Mickey Dingott and Meyer Robbins, may they be remembered for, and as, a blessing, and their families have comfort. I'm very proud of our Post and I trust that you are as well. We are working to stay an active and vibrant Post and being involved with our communities. Is there more we can do? Of course, but we are moving forward and that's everything. Active brainstorming is going on to find ways to keep moving forward and also be the kind of organization which attracts new members. It's a tough road, not only for JWV but all the other Veteran's organizations. Any and all suggestions on any and all topics are most welcome by you. Please be in touch with me on those ideas and we'll bring them up to the Board and Post at large.

Looking forward to hearing from you and wishing you and yours good health and simcha. Rochel

Commander Hayman began the January 20th meeting with David Woodland preparing the Alter, we then Saluted the Colors and said the Pledge Allegiance to the Flag. Julie Altman, as Chaplain gave the opening prayer. Rochel then introduced our past commanders, Bernie Kaplan, David Woodland, Julie Altman and welcomed guests from Post 194.

Rochel asked for a moment of silence for our two members that had passed, Mickey Dingott and Meyer Robins.

She then gave the Dvar Torah about Tu B'shevat, the new year for trees which marks the beginning of the season in which the earliest blooming trees in the Land of Israel come out of their winter mode. This relates to us (man) as having good strong roots and the support of our family and community to hold us secure but also to support our growth and the good deeds we do.

Prior to our meeting, at 5:30 AM Rochel was on ABC TV Channel 15 appearing on a cooking show where she made a delicious dish infused with avocados and other tree fruits. She appeared with ABC host Hohelani Graf.



Nohelani Graf of ABC TV interviewing Rochel Hayman about Tu B'shevat

Michael gave the **QUARTERMASTERS REPORT** stating that we had money in the bank and that we had a successful Chanukah Party. He also said that he spoke with Ike Lighter, Izzy's middle son, and he had seen the picture of Commander Hayman and Midshipman Olivia Tello with the presentation of the Izzy Lichter Point of Light Award. "He stated that his father would be very humbled, honored and quite proud. Thank you for keeping his memory alive."

Steven gave the **ADJUTANTS REPORT** saying that we have had pictures in the Jewish News, AZ Jewish Life and on the Jewish Federation web site and for CUB Pack 210 pictures in the National Jewish Veteran Magazine. He is working on getting more press coverage for both the Post and the Pack. Check out our Facebook page and the newly redesigned JWVSW.ORG page.

OLD BUSINESS

The Department of the Southwest meeting was held on Sunday, January 13 and nominations for new officers were made. Murray Baker (Post 201) Commander, Howard Farkash (Post 194) Senior Vice Commander, Lee Katz (Post 194) Junior Vice Commander, Mort Huskey (Post 619) Judge Advocate, Quartermaster (Open) and Rochel Hayman (Post 210) NEC.

Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day. Michael and Rochel presented a wreath each from the Post and one from the Department.



Seth helping children create boats



Children racing their boats

Volunteering: Bernie and Michael are still visiting the Veterans Home weekly. Steven is working closely with the Scouting Program. Jeanine is still collecting hotel toiletries and doing knitting projects. We need more people to help with these activities.

Keep looking for new members. Don't forget that the post will sponsor the first year of membership.

NEW BUSINESS

We are going to return to the way that we used to do our installations. We will have the election and immediately have the installation, with an enhanced menu. In May or possibly June we will have an end of year party.

We will again be providing the Yom Hashoah Color Guard, this year at Congregation Or Tzion in Scottsdale. Rochel, Michael & Fred have volunteered.

February & March **VIOLINS OF HOPE**. A project of the Jewish Federation of Greater Phoenix. PH: 602-338-2214. Most of the tickets are FREE but it is a ticketed event because of seating accommodations. Go to violinsofhopephoenix.com to make your reservations.

Moshe Apeles will be speaking at a Limmud AZ Event on Sunday, February 10, 2019 to be held at ASU in the Conference Center at the Memorial Union.



Commander Michael Chambers & Commander Rochel Hayman with the wreath to be presented



Rochel Hayman and her children Moshe Dovid & Ester Eta Margolin with Governor Doug Ducey

Sunday February 3 will be the SuperBowl Party at the Veterans Home. Volunteers are needed.

Jonathan's walk was held on Sunday the 20th at Chaparral Park in Scottsdale. Participation was very good. The Post had an informational table and the Cub Scout Pack had a table. The Pack held a RainGutter Regatta and had many of the children building and racing styrofoam boats

Anita Gettleson & Seth Rosenberg of Pack 210



Steven Troy & Rochel Hayman of Post 210

We did not have an actual live speaker for this meeting but Rochel showed a DVD of The Jewish Olympic Odyssey by Herb Weinberg, *Bernie Kaplan's* Brother-in-Law.

This DVD covers a large expanse of Olympic history beginning with the first games of the modern era in 1896 through the Nazi Olympics in 1936 to the Munich Olympics in 1972 where the Israeli Athletes were murdered by terrorists and the Games in the 21st century. The DVD also featured anecdotes about well known Jewish sportscasters like Howard Cosell, Bill Stern and Marty Glickman. More recently, Kerri Strug locked down a gold for the 1996 USA's women's gymnastics team by completing a magnificent final vault despite running with painful torn ligaments in her left ankle. Swimmer Dara Torres competed in six Olympics,

winning 12 medals: four within each of the three medal categories.

Many see the most triumphant Jewish Olympic moment as when Ally Raisman, captain of the 2012 gold medal-winning U.S. women's gymnastic team, performed the floor exercise to "Hava Nagila."

While many other Jewish Olympians have come and gone, swimmer Mark Spitz still holds the record, having won seven golds in 1972.

The next Board meeting will be on February 6 and the next Regular meeting will be on February 17.

David Woodland closed the Alter and Julie Altman giving the closing prayer

WELFARE

*Please don't forget **Millie Lichter**, 480-661-1130 our Sunshine Lady. If someone knows anyone who is ill or in the hospital **PLEASE** notify her so that the Post can respond. .*

Member Jeanine Koror, puts together gift bags for the residents at the Veterans Home. These are composed of small item that are free from hotel stays or anything you want to donate. They cannot contain mouthwash or razors. Contact her at 480-948-2171 or cell 602-376-2359

Don't forgot to take advantage of big savings. Register at VETTIX. It is a great inexpensive way to see sporting events, concerts and other venues that come to town. All you have to do is send in proof of military service ie: DD 214 and follow their registration process, Go to www.vettix.org

Some Words of Wisdom

By David Woodland

COURAGE

Have the courage to have courage. Where does courage come from? We can't say that we are born with it, but generally speaking, it is developmental, a personality trait. We know it as an act of reaction. Courage is demonstrated both as offensive and defensive. Courage is often displayed in forming new ideas, groups of like thinkers for society's changes.

Military courage is legendary. Matters of life and death are countered by selfless acts of courage, unbelievable to the common mind. Extraordinary courage is recognized by awards of valor, but most courage is shown as the job at hand.

Stated as developmental, a personality trait, doesn't seem initially to be in the genes, but with maturity, situations as they occur teach courage rapidly. To refer to the question of the personal origin of courage, it is probably a choice of reactions by a person with some experiences that have required actions to resolve problems. The degree of courage needed in a severe situation demonstrates the degree of

courage to which the person has risen. As such, courage can be seen as an empty container when younger, which keeps filling until its contents are utilized.

PEACE

Think of the word, and the probable thought is peace is the absence of war. This universality of that concept is due to the trauma of war from the earliest attempts to resolve differences with rocks and clubs, until now with organizations, talk, and politics. A much larger look, and we find the broader views and concepts of what peace means.

Peace is life in all its beauty. It is a smile, expressed love, appreciation of family, the absence of abstract concerns. Achieving personal peace, as in peace of mind, gets personified when it's a state of mind, be it health, degree of wealth, a bright and optimistic future. It is always the dream of the striven, the oppressed, and those who are able to know that peace is the grand achievement.

Peace is the dream. Recognition is the reality.

SCIENCE

Response to science is memory, traditions, and myth. Scientific findings will invoke memories of the past before discoveries changed our traditions, even our reasoning.

Science was often unacceptable to longtime thoughts and practices. These are always adverse to change, and often present long and difficult trials before demonstration and acceptance, sometimes ridiculed with visions of the mad scientist, and attempts at alchemy. These fictions eventually became entertainment, and are accepted as such. Knock wood!

A LITTLE HUMOR

OXYMORONS (continurd from September)

13. Why do "overlook" and "oversee" mean opposite things?
14. Why is " phonetic " not spelled the way it sounds?
15. If work is so terrific, why do they have to pay you to do it?
16. If all the world is a stage, where is the audience sitting?
17. If love is blind, why is lingerie so popular?
18. If you are cross-eyed and have dyslexia, can you read all right?
19. Why is bra singular and panties plural?
20. Why do you press harder on the buttons of a remote control when you know the batteries are dead?
21. Why do we put suits in garment bags and garments in a suitcase?
22. How come abbreviated is such a long word?
23. Why do we wash bath towels? Aren't we clean when we use them?
24. Why doesn't glue stick to the inside of the bottle?
25. Why do they call it a TV set when you only have one?
26. Christmas - What other time of the year do you sit in front of a dead tree and eat candy out of your socks?
27. Why do we drive on a parkway and park on a driveway?

Just in case you were wondering.....

Interesting miscellaneous stuff from
Michael Chambers

1. Arizona has 3,928 mountain peaks and summits, more mountains than any one of the other Mountain States (Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming).
2. All New England, plus the state of Pennsylvania would fit inside Arizona.
3. Arizona became the 48th state and last of the contiguous states on February 14, 1912.
- 4 Arizona's disparate climate can yield both the highest temperature across the nation and the lowest temperature across the nation in the same day.
5. There are more wilderness areas in Arizona than in the entire Midwest. Arizona alone has 90 wilderness areas, while the Midwest has 50.
6. Arizona has 26 peaks that are more than 10,000 feet in elevation.
7. Arizona has the largest contiguous stand of Ponderosa pines in the world stretching from near Flagstaff along the Mogollon Rim to the White Mountains region.
8. Yuma, Arizona is the country's highest producer of winter vegetables, especially lettuce.
9. Arizona is the 6th largest state in the nation, covering 113,909 square miles.
10. Out of all the states in the U.S., Arizona has the largest percentage of its land designated as Indian lands.
11. The Five C's of Arizona's economy are: Cattle, Copper, Citrus, Cotton, and Climate.
12. More copper is mined in Arizona than all the other states combined, and the Morenci Mine is the largest copper producer in all of North America.
13. Clark Gable and Carole Lombard, two of the most prominent movie stars of Hollywood's Golden Age, were married on March 18, 1939, in Kingman, Arizona. (I always thought they were wed in Oatman AZ.)
14. Covering 18,608 sq. miles, Coconino County is the second largest county by land area in the 48 contiguous United States.
15. The world's largest solar telescope is located at Kitt Peak National Observatory in Sells, Arizona.

16. Bisbee, Arizona is known as the Queen of the Copper Mines because during its mining heyday it produced nearly 25 percent of the world's copper and was the Largest city in the Southwest between Saint Louis and San Francisco.
17. Billy the Kid killed his first man, Windy Cahill, in Bonita, Arizona.
18. Arizona grows enough cotton each year to make more than one pair of jeans for every person in the United States.
19. Famous labor leader and activist Cesar Chavez was born in Yuma.
20. In 1912, President William Howard Taft was ready to make Arizona a state on February 12, but it was Lincoln's birthday. The next day, the 13th, was considered Bad luck so they waited until the following day. That's how Arizona became known as the Valentine State.
21. When England's famous London Bridge was replaced in the 1950s, the original was purchased, dismantled, shipped stone by stone and reconstructed in Lake Havasu City, Arizona, where it still stands.
22. Mount Lemmon, in the Santa Catalina Mountains, is the southernmost ski resort in the United States.
23. Rooster Cogburn Ostrich Ranch in Picacho, Arizona is the largest privately-owned ostrich ranch in the world outside South Africa.

DEATHS

Mickey Dingott 12.18.2018
Mayer Robbins 1.12.2019

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 9 - Millie Lichter
- 10 - Inez White
- 17 - David Hall
- 18 - Mickey Dingott
- 24 - Rick Kaplan
- 25 - Ruth LeGrand

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

- 31 - Millie Rogowin
- 20 - Harold Lamphear
- 23 - Murray Landy
- 12 - Susan Conwisar
- 5 - Moshe Apelas

25 - Fitzgerald (Lee) Andrews

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