



JEWISH WAR VETERANS  
of the United States of America  
Scottsdale, AZ Post 210  
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**ALL OF OUR IN PERSON ACTIVITIES ARE CANCELLED FOR THE  
FORSEEABLE FUTURE BECAUSE OF THE  
THE COVID-19 CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC**

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The next ZOOM meeting will be Sunday, DECEMBER 20, 2020 at 10 AM .  
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COMMANDERS' MESSAGE



The weather almost feels like fall is here. But this is Arizona. The weather will warm up and we will recover from the Covid-19. Maybe not at the same time, but our future will brighten.

Our Post is trying to keep active when possible. Thanks to the future planning of Mel Brody and Bernie Kaplan, we will be able to financially help most of our Veteran Organizations we have assisted in the past.

Our Cub Scout Pack 210, was able to help place flags at the graves of Jewish Veterans at the Beth El cemetery. Ahuva and I placed almost 150 flags at the Jewish section of the Green Acres Cemetery. A special thanks to Seth Rosenberg, the Cub Scout Pack leader and his adult team.

We wish a speedy recovery to David Woodland, Bernie Kaplan, Mel Brody and Fred Lipovitch. They all visited a hospital in the past month, not from COVID-19, and are home recovering. Our prayers are with you.

The ASU NROTC unit is only meeting virtually. I have given the two grants to Commander Luke Danzo to distribute to the two midshipmen. Holly Monson and Cassity Wellington. Commander Danzo has promised me pictures.

שלום ב'SHALOM Michael Chambers,  
Commander, JWV Scottsdale Post 210

**COVID-19**

As you all know we are still limited by the COVID-19 pandemic. It is preventing us from our old normal habits, visiting friends, going out to eat, going to a theater and many other things. Being restricted by COVID-19 is a real

pain but we will get through it by joining the battle and following the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's recommendation found on their web site.

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds, especially after being in a public place.
- Avoid close contact. Maintain six feet of distance between yourself and people who don't live in your household.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a mask when you are around others. You could spread COVID-19 to others even if you do not feel sick. The mask is meant to protect other people in case you are infected.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze or use the inside of your elbow.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces daily. This includes tables, doorknobs, light switches, countertops, handles, desks, phones, keyboards, toilets, faucets and sinks.
- Monitor your health daily. Be alert to symptoms. Watch for fever, cough, shortness of breath or other signs of COVID-19.

The principal mode of infection from COVID-19 is through exposure to respiratory droplets carrying the infectious virus. The best armament in this battle may likely be resilience. Resilient people are aware of the situations, their emotional reactions and the behavior of those around them. (From the Veterans' Voice column by Paula Pedene of AZCentral.com 11.13.2020)

**November Meeting Notes**

*Our Sunday meeting was very poorly attended. We had only five attendees. This was a VIRTUAL MEETING on ZOOM one that EVERYONE, with a computer, could attend without leaving their home. You all joined the Jewish War Veterans for a purpose and for the camaraderie of our members. I know that, because of the PANDEMIC, we stay in our homes, but using ZOOM we have the opportunity to meet with old friends. Our December 20<sup>th</sup> meeting will also be a ZOOM meeting, using the same invitation sent for today's meeting. We invite everyone to attend.*

Michael spoke of Post 210's activities this past month. On Veterans Day, several Post members went to Beth El Cemetery with Cub Pack #210 members and put American Flags on approximately 99 graves of Military Veterans. At Green Acres Cemetery Michael and his wife Ahuva put flags on over 150 Veterans' graves. Three members of the Post, Michael Chambers, Rochel Hayman and Josh Ashmore recorded (by Ester Eta, Rochel's daughter) an Honor Guard presentation to use for Veterans Day Ceremony for the Cutler Plotkin Jewish Heritage Center. Our member Lorraine Ball-Schwarzwald was honored by the City of Chandler by having her photo placed on the Chandler Veterans Path of Honor. Michael was also going to contact Barry Schneider, previous JWV Commander, to get stickers to place



on Jewish Members headstones.



Placing flags on graves for Veterans Day. Michael & Rochel, Rochel's children and the Cub Scouts.

We are trying to present GRANTS to the two Midshipmen at ASU, "unfortunately the school is not doing any in person battalion operations at this time due to COVID-19." According to CDR Luke Danzo, USN, Associate Professor of Naval Science " we are virtual. I can set up a zoom presentation in some way that would be the next best thing? I know you can record zoom so that is an option. We can always try to pull a screenshot out of it. And just to make certain the names of the two Midshipmen, Holly Monson and Cassity Wellington are shown."

### **Some Words of Wisdom**

By  
David Woodland  
READY,SET...

In previous writings, we spoke of the mind set to pursue personal excellence, and maintain the will to win. John Kennedy let us know efforts and courage are not enough without purpose and direction. History and practice caution to not wait until a right time arrives; seems the right time doesn't show with music and bright lights.

Planning always considers errors. When relying on policies being in place, there can be some changes, but few principles ever do. History is witness to "try to do something great and

maybe fail, than to attempt nothing, and gain what you tried for. Striving for positive results is positive belief in yourself. Make it happen.

### **SOCIETY**

by David Woodland

A group of individual commitments for a singular effort, a plan for civilization. As a generic definition, society is the encompassing of where we are, what surrounds us, and who is in the same environment. It may be a neighborhood, the world, political, social, thoughtful, hypothetical or real.

It is common thought that organized society is a system of laws and government. Reality shows that society grows and matures, not by edicts, courts, or documents, but with those who constitute our society, by time and wisdom, actions and failures, trial and error.

"Society" in common usage, is widely misused, sunk to the level of classifying sections of populations, elevating royalty and wealth to a higher value. Returning to our basic thoughts of what constitutes society, it is apathetic to a true meaning of society, "individual commitments for a singular effort". We dwell in inhomogeneous surroundings called society.

### **POWER**

Albert Einstein has said "The attempt to combine wisdom and power is rarely successful, even then, only for a short while".

"Power is the people" is a catchy slogan, and in most cases works well. When it doesn't, everything gets highlighted, and says "Power is the person". Let's talk about it.

Power is a very loose term for a very intricate force of nature. Power is never in any one definable form. Physical power is a recognizable form of strength shown in gymnastics, weight lifting, head to head confrontation, and the like, demonstrations of human power, one over another. A less formal and organized show of power, is in the imagined head of the bully, and the criminal. Deserved power is in the hands of those who hold benevolent governing over those who have prospered in many ways from the benevolence.

And then, there is abuser power, gained in false representation, and in whatever means are available to assume some kind of power, maybe believing what has been promoted as being good and proper.

Be aware of that which was said so long ago: "Power corrupts, and absolute power corrupts absolutely". Said wisely over time, advises to not believe anything you hear, and only half of what you see.

### **A LITTLE HUMOR**

When one door closes and another door opens, you are probably in prison.

Age 60 might be the new 40, but 9:00 PM is the new midnight.

2 It's the start of a brand new day, and I'm off like a herd

of turtles.  
 The older I get, the earlier it gets late.  
 When I say, "The other day," I could  
 be referring to any time between  
 yesterday and 15 years ago.  
 I remember being able to get up  
 without making sound effects.  
 I had my patience tested. I'm negative.  
 Remember, if you lose a sock in the  
 dryer, it comes back as a  
 Tupperware lid that doesn't fit any  
 of your containers.  
 If you're sitting in public and a  
 stranger takes the seat next to you,  
 just stare straight ahead and say,  
 "Did you bring the money?"  
 When you ask me what I am doing  
 today, and I say "nothing," it does  
 not mean I am free. It means I am  
 doing nothing.  
 Self isolation is getting so bad I'm  
 starting to crush on my roommate...  
 And we've been married for more  
 than 20 years.  
 On his way out of church, Frank  
 stopped at the door to speak to the  
 minister. "Would it be right," he  
 asked, "for a person to profit from  
 the mistakes of another?"  
 "Absolutely not!" replied the pastor.  
 "In that case," said the young man,  
 "I wonder if you'd consider returning  
 the hundred dollars I paid you to  
 marry my wife and me last July?"  
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 I finally got eight hours of sleep. It  
 took me three days, but whatever.  
 I run like the winded.  
 I hate when a couple argues in public,  
 and I missed the beginning and  
 don't know whose side I'm on.  
 When someone asks what I did over  
 the weekend, I squint and ask,  
 , "Why, what did you hear?"  
 "When you do squats, are your  
 knees supposed to sound like a  
 goat chewing on an aluminum  
 can stuffed with celery?"  
 I don't mean to interrupt people. I  
 just randomly remember things  
 and get really excited.  
 When I ask for directions, please  
 don't use words like "east."

**WELFARE**

*Please don't forget Ahuva Chambers  
 623-256-1573 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 Jeanine at 480-948-2171 or cell  
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 great inexpensive way to see sporting  
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 come to town. All you have to do is  
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 214 and follow their registration  
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[www.vettix.org](http://www.vettix.org)

**VETERAN'S ASSISTANCE**

Chris May - 602-248-1571 - is a Veteran  
 Benefits Counselor from the Arizona  
 Department of Veterans' Services. If  
 any veteran has problems, financial,  
 physical, social, or psychological, Chris  
 can help or assist you in getting the  
 response to help. If he can not directly  
 help you, he will get you the name and  
 telephone number of someone who will  
 help you.

**DEATHS**

November 15  
 Shirley Brownstein

**BIRTHDAYS**

**November**

10 - Inez White  
 17 - David Hall  
 23 - Rich Kaplan  
 25- Ruth LeGrand

**DECEMBER**

10 - Juli Altman  
 22 - Julie North  
 23 - Steven Troy

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 qualified Veteran of the Armed Forces  
 of the United States  
 of America to become a Member in the  
 oldest Veterans organization in the  
 Nation!!!  
 If you are not a qualified veteran, you  
 can join as a Patron Donor and support  
 the organization.*