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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: Sunday, September 29th at sundown is Erev Rosh Hashanah and on Monday, September 30th we celebrate Rosh Hashanah. Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year, is a purely religious holiday. It is called a "holy convocation." It emphasizes spirituality, morality, holiness, and unlike other holidays it is not tied to national historic events. It celebrates God's role as King of the universe and Judge of all man's actions. The Talmud (Rosh Hashanah 16b) quotes Rabbi Jochaman's summary of this period in three words: Three books are opened for evaluation on Rosh Hashanah: (1) The Book of Life of the wicked; (2) The Book of Life of the righteous; and (3) The Book of Life of those in between. The righteous are immediately promised a good life in the future. The wicked are immediately condemned to death. Judgment of those in between is deferred until Yom Kippur, when a final decision is made as to which category they are to be assigned. The ram's horn, rather than a cow's horn or that of another animal, is use in commemoration of the sacrifice of Isaac. The last moment before Abraham was to sacrifice Isaac, the ram that was caught in a thicket was used as a substitute sacrifice. To honor the remembered Jews, use a ram's horn at religious services. Horns of cows were rejected because these animals were associated with the worship of the Golden Calf by the Children of Israel in the desert, a sin rigorously condemned by Moses. A secular holiday, Labor Day, is the first Monday in September, which fall this year on September 2nd. Labor Day is a creation of the labor movement and is dedicated to the social and economic achievements of American workers. It constitutes a yearly national tribute to the contribution's workers have made to the strength, prosperity and well-being of our country.

-Lewis Rappaport

HONORS FOR RABBI NORMAN COHEN: The Holy Cross Alumni Association has announced that Rabbi Norman M. Cohen '72 will be honored with the 2019 In Hoc Signo Award, the association's highest honor, during the Alumni Association's Fall Homecoming Dinner held at the College on Saturday, October 19. Rabbi Cohen is one of 4 alumni receiving the recognition this year. First presented in 1960, the award is an expression of respect and admiration for those alumni who have given generously of their time and talents to their alma mater. "In Hoc Signo" comes from the Latin phrase "In Hoc Signo Vinces," found at the center of the Holy Cross seal, meaning "In this sign you shall conquer." DFJCA is very proud of our High Holiday Rabbi and wish him a big MAZEL TOV on this honor.

HIGH HOLIDAY TICKETS HAVE BEEN SENT OUT BY US MAIL: If you have not ordered your tickets yet, you can still do so. If you have any questions, please contact Tom Turai at tom_turai@hotmail.com or 480-991-3913. **Ticket requests and RSVPs for Break the Fast should be returned ASAP as seating is limited.**

PROGRAM: Cathie Rubins, a docent at the Phoenix Art Museum will present a lecture and show a power presentation. The production and appreciation of timeless art tin prehistoric times is the subject of the discussion. Ms. Rubins will bring to life the need for man to produce art many centuries ago and how it can be understood in modern times.

Friday Evening, September 20, 2019
Terravita Country Club – Pavilions - 7:00 PM
“Art of Pre-Historic Times”

Board of Directors Meeting
McDowell Mountain Community Center
Sunday Morning 10:00 pm – September 22, 2019

MEMBER NEWS: On September 1, 2019, Irwin Simes, a former board member and a founding member passed away after a short illness. He was 86 years old. He was surrounded by his family; wife Ann and their 2 sons and 1 daughter. He had 5 grandchildren. Irwin was originally from New York, and along with Ann they made their home in Arizona for over twenty years. He will always be remembered for his fun attitude, always looking for a laugh to make others smile. Our deepest sympathies are with his family at this time.

The funeral will be on Thursday, September 5, at 1:30pm at the National Memorial Cemetery of Phoenix, 23029 Cave Creek Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85024. **The entrance to the cemetery is actually on Pinnacle Peak Road just east of Cave Creek Road.** A light lunch will be served at the Simes residence after the burial and a minyan will be held at 7:00pm Thursday evening. All are welcome.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR: *Please send information on different events around the Valley presented by the organizations you belong to. Contact consalvo@cox.net or 480-860-8887.*

The Arizona Jewish Historical Society, Cutler-Plotkin Jewish Heritage Center has a very extensive and varied FALL program schedule. For information on the movie screenings, book reviews and presentations, please click on **Events** for all the information regarding subject matter, dates, and times.

On Tuesday, September 17th, the **National Council of Jewish Women** will host it's 2019/2020 opening meeting at Temple Chai at 6:30pm "Join the Fight! A critical update on key social justice issues in Arizona today. There is no cost for this meeting. For more information contact Carol Consalvo at consalvo@cox.net or 480-860-8887.

"LIKE" and "FOLLOW" OUR FACEBOOK PAGE: Don't forget to mention our Facebook page to friends or relatives who ask about DFJCA. It is a good way to spread the word of our mission and activities. Also, our website gives members and non-members important information on the activities of DFJCA.

***HAVUROT NEWS AND CONTACTS:** As the Fall months begin, our Havurot will begin again, if they took the summer off. You will be hearing from your Contacts as soon as meetings start up again. If anyone is interested in suggesting or organizing a new Havurah, please contact Marlene Allen at 480-473-1619 or marlen07@cox.net.

Havurah	Contact(s)	Information
Dining-Out (Meets on the 1 st Thursday night of each month at different restaurants)	Stan Karon	karontrial@yahoo.com 480-614-1529
Movie Group (Meets on the 4 th Tuesday night of the month at member's homes)	Froma Goldberg	Froma24@yahoo.com 480-563-2221
Bridge (Meets on the 2 nd Sunday of the month at Wildflower – 7001 N. Scottsdale Road & Indian Ben - Seville)	Marlene Allen	Marlen07@cox.net 480-473-1619
Canasta Group (Meets on the 4 th Sunday of the month at McDowell Mountain Community Center)	Joan Freund	freundj@cox.net 480-342-9753

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