



**Wishing you good health, happiness, peace and prosperity.  
Today and all through the year! L'Shanah Tovah!**

Dear PHA Members and Friends,

I hope this newsletter is finding you well. It has been a very long time since we have seen one another in person. Much has been happening in the past several weeks, the most important in my opinion was the passage of HB2241 mandating the teaching of the Holocaust and other genocides at least twice between seventh and twelfth grades in Arizona. Governor Doug Ducey signed the bill into law on July 9. The governor's office is planning a ceremonial signing with Holocaust survivors in attendance. So many PHA members helped get this bill passed by testifying at the Capital, writing letters and emails, and offering moral support. A huge thank you goes to Tucson Representative Alma Hernandez who sponsored the bill.

PHA had begun planning to resume Café Europa in person luncheons in the fall but the uptick in Covid19 cases with the delta variant has made us pause those plans until we can get more information. I would like to hear from members as to what circumstances would make you comfortable attending Café Europa in person. Please email me your thoughts: SherylBronkesh.PHA@gmail.com.

Be on the lookout for a redesigned PHA website by the end of August.

Hope you are staying cool and safe.  
Warmest regards,

*Sheryl*

**CAFÉ EUROPA**

**Cafe Europa meal delivery planned for  
October 2021**

**DONATIONS**

**For Café Europa**

✨ Jeff Cain

**A Tribute to PHA**

✨ Helaine Wasser

**In Honor of Holocaust Survivors**

✨ East Valley JCC

**In Memory of Rosaline Isaacson**

✨ Cindy and Paul Weiser

✨ CVS Health

✨ Art and Cheri Rolnick

**In Honor of Rabbi & Mrs Charles Herring**

✨ Amy & Alan Isaacson

**HOLOGRAPHIC PROJECT**



The AZJHS has teamed up with USC Shoah Foundation's Dimension in Testimony to record the impactful story of local Holocaust survivor **Oskar Knoblauch** whose life was saved with help of **Upstanders**. This pioneering project, similar to a hologram, integrates advanced filming techniques, specialized display technologies and next generation natural language processing to create an interactive biography. It enables people to ask questions that prompt real-time responses from pre-recorded video interviews with the survivor.

Initial recording was completed by local videographer Josh Kasselmann under the direction of the USC Shoah Foundation. The recorded footage now goes to USC for technical development which is expected to last 18 months. Following this, the project will become available for viewing by the wider public at AZJHS. This project, funded by Tim and Susie Ernst, is part of a larger campaign to create a permanent Holocaust education center on the AZJHS current campus.

**Introducing our New PHA Intern JUSTINA BELLO**



I am currently a student at Paradise Valley Community College working towards my degree in business administration and cultural anthropology. I am part of the Global Scholars program and Peer Mentor program at my school. I spent two weeks on a study abroad in Peru which piqued my interest in travel, learning about other cultures, and pursuing a degree in anthropology. I also have a background in art and graduated from the Art Institute of Philadelphia. In my free time I like to paint and travel around Arizona to explore all the beauty it has to offer.

**REFUAH SHLEIMAH**

**Dr. Alex White** is recuperating after breaking his hip and having successful surgery.

**CONDOLENCES**

Condolences to the family of **Rosaline Isaacson** PHA member and Holocaust survivor. May her memory be a blessing.



**PAST PROGRAMS**

If you missed any of the presentations of our PHA members through the Arizona Jewish Historical Society you can view them at any time on their website. GO TO: **www.azjhs.org** and click on the **education TAB for Our Parent's Stories or Holocaust Survivor Conversations at www.azjhs.org/archived-seminars.**