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January 2022



Tevet - Shevat 5782

**Dear PHA Family,**

It is amazing that we have made it through a second year of COVID restrictions which has changed how we all interact. We were so hopeful that with the start of 2022, PHA would be able to resume programming in person. Unfortunately, the new variant's spread makes in person events unwise. If you are a survivor, we will continue delivering Cafe Europa meals to your homes. For educational programming, they will be on ZOOM.

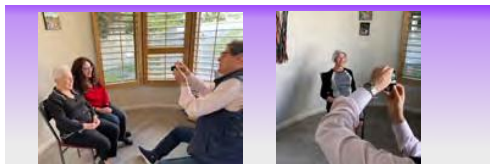
Thank you to everyone who has renewed their membership for 2022 and we are extremely grateful for the number of end-of-the-year donations to PHA. If you haven't yet renewed your membership, please do. Members are the heart of PHA.

Please remember to vote in PHA's upcoming election before January 30 and join our Annual Meeting on January 30 at 10 am. We will have a recap of 2021 including paying tribute to survivors who died during the past year. Please don't hesitate to reach out to me with any needs or comments. Be strong. Be healthy. Be safe.

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**Café Europa**

Sunday Jan 16, 2022,  
 free meals will be delivered to survivors  
 between 1pm-3pm.  
 ZOOM starts @ 4:00pm.  
 Please see enclosed flyer for details.



Pictured above are Holocaust survivors Marge Rich with her daughter Michelle (L) and Kathy Gross (R). They were among a dozen survivors who participated in a special photography session with John Pregulman, co-founder of KAVOD, a mission-based organization providing emergency aid to Holocaust survivors in need. kavodensuringdignity.com

**PHA ANNUAL MEETING**

Sunday, January 30, 2022 at 10 a.m. See the enclosed slate, bios of new board members, and proposed by law amendment.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**An Interview with Amy Spitalnick: Learn about the important work of the IFA and the landmark federal trial:** Tuesday, Jan 11, 2022 at 6:00pm MST 8:00 pm EST on Zoom. Amy Spitalnick, a 3G, is Executive Director at Integrity First for America. This event, sponsored by 3GNY, 3GAZ, 3GDC, 3GNJ, 3GPhilly, 3GMiami, Boston 3G, and the JFCS Holocaust Center Register Here: [https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_shuYhOSCQVotzBCb3JCIA?mc\\_cid=c39c57078b&mc\\_eid=UNIQUID](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_shuYhOSCQVotzBCb3JCIA?mc_cid=c39c57078b&mc_eid=UNIQUID)

**Ksenia Coffman: Wikipedia and the Holocaust Sleuth:** Jan 12, 2022 @ 7:00 pm MST. Ms. Coffman became a one-woman sleuth intent on reducing misinformation related to the crimes of the Nazi regime. Ms. Coffman will discuss her work to correct historical distortions about the Holocaust and the Second World War. Register Here for Webinar: <https://tinyurl.com/553bcc28>

**We Share the Same Sky: A Memoir of Memory & Migration by Rachael Cerrotti** Thursday, Jan 20, 2022 at 2PM (MST) Discussion led by Sheryl Bronkesh, PHA President. A granddaughter's decade-long journey to retrace her grandmother's wartime escape and weave together the thin threads of family history. Rachael is the author of a book and narrative podcast. To Register: <https://www.azjhs.org/we-share-the-same-sky>

**Mark Your Calendars for The 2022 BJE Holocaust Educator Conference:** Feb 28, 2022 4:30 pm - 9:00 pm MST @ Arizona State University Tempe Campus. For more info email [jewish@bjephoenix.org](mailto:jewish@bjephoenix.org)

**CONDOLENCES**

Condolences to the family of Bluma Polansky. Bluma died on November 25, 2021. Bluma was born in Poland in 1930 and was a survivor of Auschwitz concentration camp. May her memory be a blessing.



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Condolences to the family of Sam Rafowitz. Sam died on May 29, 2020. Born in Warsaw, Poland, Sam spent five years laboring in five different concentration camps, including Auschwitz, until he was liberated in 1945. May his memory be a blessing



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**DONATIONS**

**Café Europa**

Jeffery Cain  
 Julie Gutfreund  
 Mary Israel

**A Tribute to PHA**

Frieda Allweiss  
 Fredda and Rabbi Mark Bisman  
 Carol and Ian Dresner  
 Lee and Debby Finkel  
 David and Patricia Kader  
 Randy Nussbaum and Polly Morris  
 Oskar Knoblauch  
 Cheryl Palay  
 Karen Perna  
 Peter and Roberta Van Der Walde  
 Helaine Wasser

**In Memory of Rabbi Barton Lee**

Ellen Soule

**For Holocaust Education**

Marvin and Barbara Aal  
 Charlotte Adelman  
 Francine Coles  
 Dr. Ruth Callahan  
 Ike and Nancy Feiges  
 Nicole Foster  
 Alan Isaacson  
 Mary Israel  
 Lin Katzenstein  
 Kim Klett  
 Stuart Siefer

**In Memory of Bluma Polansky**

Mike & Nichole Arko  
 Lily Behboodi and Josh Schoen  
 Sheryl Bronkesh  
 Janice Friebaum  
 Harley I. Gross  
 Eric and Marilyn Lansey  
 Sharon and Jamie Lebovitz  
 Monique Mendel  
 Shari and Michael Perlmutter  
 Walter Family (Ann & Adam Walter, Larry Schneider, Brandon &, Rebecca Schneider)  
 Alexander and Inez White

**For Holocaust by Bullets/In Memory of Benjamin Levin**

Chaim Levin

**For Holocaust Education in Honor of Sheryl Bronkesh**

Rona Buchbinder  
 Flora Cowen

**The Prison Book Project**

Ettie Zilber

**Holocaust by Bullets**

Helen and Marty Locke

**In Memory of Edward and Ola Rothenberg**

Max Berg

**In Memory of Alina Lechowicz**

Arthur Rothstein

**In Memory of the 6 Million**

Esther Basch

**For Holocaust Education in memory of Thomas and Susan Schvarcz Gyory**

Judi Missel

**Olivia Feldman's Mitvah Project for Holocaust Education**

Eric, Celeste, Ava and Henry Silvermail

**In Memory of Armin, Ilona and Joseph Klein**

André and Joan Klein

**In Honor of Janice Friebaum's dedication to PHA**

Rise Stillman

**In Memory of Charles Burenstein**

Aimé Avniel

**In Memory of Gunther and Marie Mendel**

Monique Mendel and James Garrison

**In Memory of Rose and Jack Glicksman**

Ronnie Beckoff

**In Memory of My Parents Danny & Anna Geclewicz**

Phyllis Benson

**Ella & Harry Adler Fund**

Edie Wade

**For Holocaust Education In Memory of Joan Sitver and In Honor of Morton Sitver**

Honorable Stephen McNamee

**In Memory of My Family Who Perished**

Susan Kader