



2026 Yom HaShoah Holocaust Remembrance Day Commemoration

When: April 12, 2026, 4:00 p.m.
Location: at Beth El Congregation.

RSVP and more info: <https://phxha.com/remember/>

**2026 Yom HaShoah Book of Remembrance
Memorialize loved ones and honor survivors by including a tribute in
this special commemorative booklet.**

See enclosed form to submit your tribute.

Dear Members and Friends,

February was a busy month, and we are looking forward to a busy March as well. I hope you were able to partake in the Greater Phoenix Jewish Film Festival. I was able to view some Holocaust films, some dramas, and some comedies. They were well worth my time. We have several events to share with you this month.

This month's Café Europa is on Sunday, March 15th at Congregation Beth Israel at 1 PM. 3GAZ and PHA are hosting an author talk by a local 3G, Malka Daskal, featuring her historical novel, *The Teacher of Lost Orphans*, on Sunday, March 22nd. The address will be provided upon registration. And on Thursday, March 26th, another event in our Speaker Series will be held at Scottsdale Community College, Making the Unbearable a Bit More Bearable: The Work of Anthropologists and Archaeologists in Bosnia. Details for these events can be found further down in this newsletter.

April is generally a big month for PHA. It is when we commemorate the survivors and victims of the Holocaust. We will hold our valley-wide commemoration on April 12th at Beth El Congregation at 4 PM. Please register to attend the Commemoration by clicking on the "Register" button found further down in this newsletter. As you read further down, you will also have an opportunity to name and remember individuals as a tribute within our 2026 Yom HaShoah Book of Remembrance. Our annual reading of names will take place at the JCC on April 14th. Please join us at these important memorial events.

See you soon.

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CONDOLENCES

Condolences to the family of Margherita Bertola Fray. Born July 8, 1926, in Turin, Italy. Margherita was one of the last surviving members of the Italian Resistance, demonstrating extraordinary courage and resilience during one of history's darkest times. After the war, she moved to Arizona in 1946 and made her home in Scottsdale. Margherita passed away on February 28th; may her memory be a blessing.

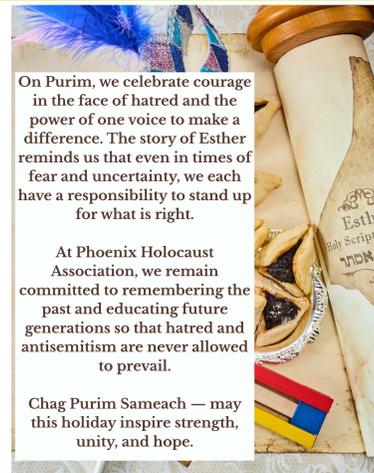
UPCOMING PROGRAMS

The Teacher of Lost Orphans: March 22 at 3 PM - 4PM. Join 3GAZ and Phoenix Holocaust Association for a discussion and reading with fellow 3G author Malka Daskal, who will share insights and read from her new novel, *The Teacher of Lost Orphans*. (Location shared upon registration) **RSVP:** phxha.com/events/3az/

Making the Unbearable a Bit More Bearable: The Work of Forensic Anthropologists and Archaeologists in Bosnia: March 26 from 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM. In partnership with Scottsdale Community College's Anthropology Department and Arizona State University Jewish Studies, PHA invites you to our next speaker series event, Making the Unbearable a Bit More Bearable: The Work of Forensic Anthropologists and Archaeologists in Bosnia. **RSVP:** <https://phxha.com/events/speakerseries/>

Reading of the Names: Join us on Tuesday, April 14, from 8:00 AM – 6:00 PM in front of the Ina Levine Jewish Community Campus for the community-wide Reading of the Names.

**CAFÉ EUROPA
Sunday March 15, 2026 @ 1:00PM**
See enclosed flyer for details



On Purim, we celebrate courage in the face of hatred and the power of one voice to make a difference. The story of Esther reminds us that even in times of fear and uncertainty, we each have a responsibility to stand up for what is right.

At Phoenix Holocaust Association, we remain committed to remembering the past and educating future generations so that hatred and antisemitism are never allowed to prevail.

Chag Purim Sameach — may this holiday inspire strength, unity, and hope.

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