

April 2026

**2026 Yom HaShoah Holocaust Remembrance Day Commemoration**

**When: April 12, 2026, 4:00 p.m.**

**North Phoenix Location (location details to be sent once registered)**

PHA is deeply honored to welcome Holocaust survivor Dr. Mark Olsky as our keynote speaker.

**RSVP and more info: [phxha.com/remember/](http://phxha.com/remember/)**

**Dear Members and Friends,**

Reflections on Remembrance and Freedom

I was fortunate to share two seders with friends this year. I gathered with them to share our history with all four generations present and to celebrate our freedom. The mission of Phoenix Holocaust Association is also to remember our history and to honor those who perished, those who died for our freedom, and those who survived and lived to tell their story. It is with remembrance and education that we hope to make this a better world.

Commemorating Yom HaShoah

With that same spirit, we gather this month to commemorate Yom HaShoah. We will remember. We will reflect on the horrors that hate engenders, and instead, we will cherish our shared humanity. Our safety and our rights are intertwined with the safety and rights of all. Please join us on April 12th to remember and reflect as a unified community. I hope to see you there.

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Rosenbluth Family Charitable Foundation Genocide Awareness**

**Week 2026: April 13 - April 16.** In-person or on Zoom. Holocaust survivor and PHA board member Kathy Gross will be speaking on Tuesday, April 14, from 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM. **Register:** [jewishstudies.asu.edu/GAW2026](http://jewishstudies.asu.edu/GAW2026)

**How to Share an Egg: A True Story of Hunger, Love and Plenty:**

**Thursday, April 30, 2026 from 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM.** Join PHA for an intimate evening with award-winning 2G author Bonny Reichert who will discuss her book *How to Share an Egg: A True Story of Hunger, Love and Plenty*. Light fare will be served. (Location in Scottsdale will be shared upon registration)

**RSVP: [phxha.com/events/howtoshareanegg/](http://phxha.com/events/howtoshareanegg/)**

**Condolences**

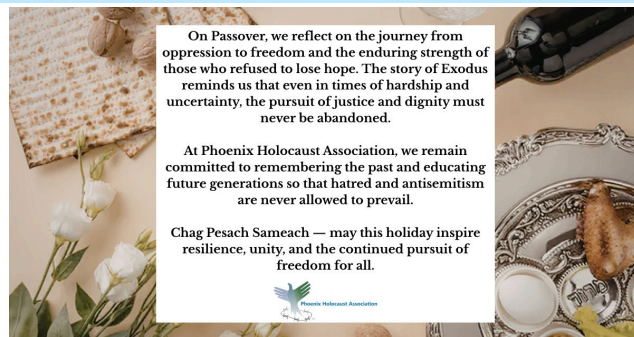
Condolences to the family of Holocaust survivor Bodo Schrader who passed on March 15, 2026.

Bodo was born November 11, 1941, in Magdeburg, Germany, and was a longtime member of PHA. As a child, he survived unimaginable loss—losing his mother in Auschwitz and enduring Theresienstadt alone—before finding refuge in the United States. He later made his home in Phoenix and shared his story with students for many years. May his memory be a blessing.



**Café Europa**

**There will be no Café Europa for the month of April.**



On Passover, we reflect on the journey from oppression to freedom and the enduring strength of those who refused to lose hope. The story of Exodus reminds us that even in times of hardship and uncertainty, the pursuit of justice and dignity must never be abandoned.

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 Pesach Sameach — may this holiday inspire resilience, unity, and the continued pursuit of freedom for all.

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