



The Jackson Kol

Letter from the President

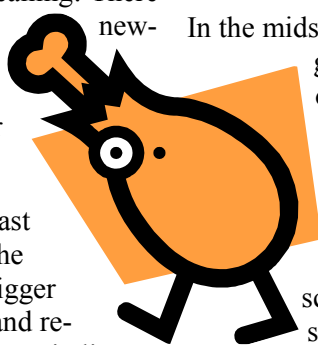
Shalom Chaverim

Who says chickens can't really fly? We saw a few flying at our July Shabbat potluck in Wilson. It was pretty windy by the time we started to eat, but you could put your hand up and grab whatever you wanted as it went by. Just about everyone cowboyed up and stuck it out -- especially Lauren Kapelow who retrieved the chicken when it landed! The only negative was that schmooze time was cut back severely and eat and run took on a new meaning! There were lots of visitors and comers who I didn't get to talk to. But I think they were really impressed by our elegance.

We've had great camps in past years but this year Spirit of the Mountains Camp has been bigger than ever. Our appreciation and respect go to Andrea Mazer for revitalizing our program and making it the best yet. And I salute the brilliance of Dava Zucker, Phyllis Turtle, Larry Thal and me for hiring Andrea, counselors Mitch Gruber, Elana Guiney, and Charlie Rudin and CIT's Jodi Domskey, Gareth Novak-Miller, Steven Wolff and Michael Wolff. Most of all I congratulate all the parents and grandparents and thank you for your wonderful kids.

Old Bill's is coming up on September 10. I want to remind everyone again of the pros and cons of contributing to the JHJC through Old Bill's. We do receive match-

ing funds that increase contributions by over 40% and participating in Old Bill's connects us to the greater Jackson community. On the other hand, the money is restricted and cannot be spent for religious purposes. It must be spent to benefit the community at large. We use it to support our mission of tolerance. We have sponsored lectures, films, and given films to the schools and we have aided community members in need. And we will continue to broaden the scope of this spending.



In the midst of our summer activities, we grieve the untimely death of one of our earliest members David Turque. David and Larry Thal conducted the first service I ever attended in Jackson. And David and his wife Kitty formed our earliest religious school. We send our heartfelt sympathy to his loving family.

I was deeply moved at how our community responded so quickly and generously to this tragic loss. I thank you all and especially Carl Levinson, Judd Grossman, Al Zucker, Larry Thal, Russell Scott, Peter Selkowitz and Johathan Selkowitz who gave their time and effort and prayers to consecrate a portion of the Aspen Hills Cemetery for us.

I look forward to seeing you at Shabbat services at the Murie Center in August.

Rose Novak, President

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AIPAC Meetings

This year's AIPAC meetings will be on Tuesday, August 9, at the Wort Hotel. Senators Thomas & Enzi will be joining us at 7:30 p.m. and Representative Cubin will be joining us at 8:30 a.m. There will be a light continental breakfast.

Calendar

August 3. Board Meeting. Noon. Downstairs Conference Room at 480 S. Cache St. All are welcome.

August 9. AIPAC Meetings with Senators Enzi and Thomas and Representative Cubin. 7:30 a.m. with the Senators and 8:30 a.m. with the Congresswoman. At the Wort Hotel. Continental Breakfast will be served.

August 26. Shabbat Service led by Rabbi Mike Comins and Chazan Judd Grossman. 6:30 p.m. At the Murie Center in Moose. Potluck to follow. *Please note this is the fourth Friday of the month.*

August 27. Torah Study with Rabbi Mike Comins. The Voice of Fragile Silence: The Desert of Elijah 9:30 a.m. Downstairs Conference Room at

480 S. Cache St. Does it make a difference to read Torah in the place where the events occurred? So much of the formative history of the Jewish people happened in the desert, yet classical Jewish commentators and modern Bible scholars wrote in Europe or North America. Together we study and discuss the famous journey of Elijah to Mt. Sinai where he hears the "still, small voice." Why did this famous revelation occur in the desert wilderness? Rabbi Comins shares a unique interpretation based on his experience of hiking the Sinai as an Israeli desert guide. All are welcome.

August 28. Judaism 101 with Rabbi Mike Comins. The Torah of Nature. 4 p.m. Downstairs Conference Room at 480 S. Cache St.

We'll take an in-depth look into the ancient Israelites' attitudes towards the natural world. While Rabbi Comins has touched often on this subject, he will be bringing fresh material based on new research by biblical scholars. Does Judaism posit an adversarial stance towards the natural world, as in the famous quote from Genesis 1 "conquer the earth and subdue it," or a harmonious approach to the earth that gives us life? All are welcome.

September 7. Board Meeting. Downstairs Conference Room at 480 S. Cache St. All are welcome.

September 16. Shabbat Service. 6:30 p.m. At St. John's Episcopal

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Treasurer's Report June 2005

Operating Account	May 31	81,414
Income:		
Dues	100	
Summer Camp	1,100	
Interest	164	
Total	1,364	
Expenses:		
Administration	1,381	
Leadership	2,622	
Religious Events	685	
Summer Camp	645	
Tzedakah	100	
Total	5,433	
Net for June		(4,069)
Operating Account	June 30	77,345
Old Bills Fund	May 31	34,979
Expenses:		
Community Outreach		(3,103)
Old Bills Fund	June 30	31,876
Building Fund	June 30	50,420
Total Cash		159,641

Meet our National Legislators

— A note from Warren Adler

In the light of the burgeoning world-wide epidemic of anti-Semitism and the danger facing Israel, our most reliable ally in the Middle East, we urge your attendance Tuesday, August 9, 7:30 to 9 a.m., at the Wort Hotel to meet with our Senators Thomas and Enzi and our representative in Congress Barbara Cubin. These legislators have been steadfast friends of Israel and the Jewish community in Wyoming and deserve our attendance. They are making themselves available to hear our concerns regarding the fight against terrorism and the necessity of American support for Israel. This issue transcends partisanship and give all of us an opportunity to reiterate our support for their response to continue their unflagging support for Israel and exchange views about how they see the crisis facing the world because of mindless and brutal terrorism. The meeting is sponsored with AIPAC.

Yitzkor Book Listings

Please send names for this year's Yitzkor Book to Victoria at the office. Call 734-1999 or e-mail

info@jhjewishcommunity.org.



Shabbat Service

& Community Potluck

Rabbi Mike Comins

Chazan Judd Grossman

August 26, 6:30 p.m.

The Murie Center

Homestead Cottage in Moose

Mom sez:

1. *Bring chairs or blankets, extras, if you can, for guests.*
2. *Bring bug spray.*
3. *Bring perishables in a cooler. There are no reheating facilities.*
4. *Jacket. Hat.*

Potluck suggestions:

- A-J, Side Dish.
- K-R, Desserts.
- S-Z, Main Dish.
- Beverage of choice.

For information, call the office at 734-1999 or e-mail info@jhjewishcommunity.org.

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Church. Oneg to follow in the meeting room.

September 25. Senior Center Luncheon. With the help of member/chef Trey Davis, the Jewish Community is preparing lunch for the Senior Center of Jackson Hole. We need volunteers to help with preparation, service, and cleaning up. If you are able to help, please call the office.

October 3. Erev Rosh Hashanah.

October 4. Rosh Hashanah morning service and luncheon.

October 5. Rosh Hashanah morning service.

October 12. Erev Yom Kippur.

October 13. Yom Kippur and Break Fast.

Sincere Condolences

To the family of David Turque on his sudden death this month.

Thanks to

Russell Scott, for supervising the July Shabbat.

Gary and Kathryn Weiss, for hosting the pre-camp potluck.

Judy Bin-Nun & Beryl Weiner for hosting Havdallah at the last minute, saving us from the wind storm.

Congratulations to

Barry Gruber for choosing our newsletter's new name. *Kol* means Voice, and we thought it appropriate that *Jackson Hole* should have a *Jackson Kol*.

A Note From Andrea Mazer

I will be leaving Jackson this month to volunteer in India with American Jewish World Service. If you would like to contribute to help support my volunteer work, please go to www.ajws.org/volunteerdonation. In the field titled, In Honor of please write: SERVICE- Andrea Mazer – World Partners – India. You will all be in my thoughts throughout my journey. I look forward to seeing you when I return to the valley next spring. Thank you for your support.

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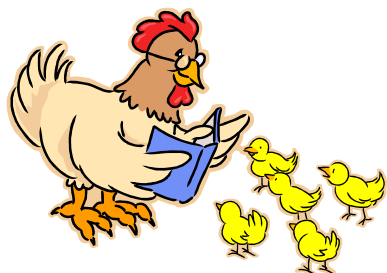
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The office is at 480 S. Cache St, Suite 6,
Jackson.
Office Hours:
Tuesdays 11-2 p.m. and by arrangement.

The Jackson Hole Jewish Community is committed to creating a diverse Jewish presence that unites us, celebrates our faith, and promotes tolerance in the greater Jackson community. We strive to engage all families and individuals in spirituality, education, tzadakah, and the joys of Jewish life.

Bet Sefer Teachers Needed

We need two additional Bet Sefer teachers for this school year. These are paid positions and require class preparation and teaching on Thursdays from 4-6 p.m., when public schools are in session. Please send the office a letter and resume by e-mail or snail mail.



Bet Sefer Principal Needed

New position of Bet Sefer Principal is open for application. The incumbent will supervise the school and work with the teachers to plan curriculum. This is a paid position that would require attendance Thursdays from 3:45-6:15 p.m., and additional planning time. Please send the office a letter and resume by e-mail or snail mail.