

**This summer:****August 24:**

Membership Kick-off Party  
and Kosher Wine Tasting

5-7pm

ArtSpace Gallery in the  
Center for the Arts.

# The Jackson Kol



NEWSLETTER FOR THE JACKSON HOLE JEWISH COMMUNITY • AUGUST 2006

## Letter *from the Presidents*

Shalom,

The time seems to be whizzing by - particularly for those of us that understand that summers in Jackson Hole are not nearly long enough for all the activities that we have planned.

We began July with Hannah Scofield's standing-room-only Bat Mitzvah as she was called to the Torah. It was wonderful to join with Hannah's family and friends in celebrating her entry into adulthood. We are very proud of her and it is a pleasure to see how poised and accomplished she has become.

Spirit of the Mountains camp is beginning its second week and we're welcoming the most campers ever. During the first session, the children created impressive pottery and weaving pieces with E.J. Hirschfield, hammed it up doing improv acting with Eve Bernfeld, learned about photography with Thomas Stimpson, enjoyed whitewater and scenic float trips, along with the usual swimming, and playing and singing each morning with Judd Grossman. To finish off the week, the campers impressed their parents and counselors with their skills and inventiveness at the talent show. Sitting in the audience and listening to the buzz, it was clear that the kids had a fantastic time - and there was still another fun-filled week coming up!

We had a lovely Shabbat and Oneg in Miller Park with visiting Rabbi Bennett

Greenspon and Judd leading us in song. We welcomed some new people that we look forward to seeing again and again. Perhaps we can persuade Rabbi Greenspon and his wife Karen into returning next summer, and many thanks to Merle and Ed Lundy for hosting them. Thanks also to Russell Scott and everyone else who helped set up and clean up.

Among our upcoming events, we look forward to an informative evening with terrorism expert and lecturer Steven Emerson, a special Shabbat service with visiting Rabbi David Goldstein at the Wolfensohn residence, an AIPAC breakfast meeting with our Wyoming Congressional Delegation, and a Shabbat service and Torah study led by ISU philosophy professor and Lay Rabbi from Pocatello, Carl Levenson. There will also be a Kosher wine-tasting and membership party at the Art!Space Gallery. And take the time to view the late Arnold Newman's photography exhibit which will be hanging at the Center for the Arts through most of the month. Thanks go to the many people whose efforts have helped bring all these events to fruition: Karin McQuillan, Rose Novak, the Jim Wolfensohn family, Brent Blue, Joan and David Goldfarb, Larry and Shannon Thal, Mary Grossman and Stephan Abrams.

Our fund-raising and membership campaigns are continuing in earnest. As our board members call on you or you receive

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## Directors 2006

Lisa Finkelstein Co-President  
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## August Shabbat

- **August 4 at the Wolfensohn residence at 6:30 p.m.**
- **August 25 at the Novak residence at 6:30 p.m.**

Call 734-1999 for directions

## CALENDAR

**June 2 – August 25:** "One World, One People" photographs by Arnold Newman. Art!Space Gallery, Art Association of Jackson Hole 240 S. Glenwood Avenue.

**August 2: Board Meeting.** 5:15 p.m. Downstairs Conference Room, 480 S. Cache St.

### August 3: Tish'a B'Av

**August 4: Shabbat Services** with **Rabbi David Goldstein.** 6:30 pm at the Wolfensohn residence. Please call the JHJC office for directions 734.1999.

**August 5: Torah Study** location to be announced, 9:30 a.m.

**August 15: AIPAC Meetings** with **Senators Craig Thomas and Mike Enzi** and **Representative Barbara Cubin.** At the Wort Hotel, 7:30 a.m. with Thomas and Enzi, 8:30 a.m. with Representative Cubin.

**August 24: Membership Kickoff Party** and **Kosher Wine Tasting** 5- 7pm at the ArtSpace Gallery in the Center for the Arts.

**August 25: Shabbat Services** with **Carl Levenson.** 6:30 pm at the Novak residence. Please call the JHJC office for directions 734.1999.

**August 26: Torah Study** at the Thal residence, 9:30 a.m. Call 734-1999 for directions.

**September 9: Old Bill's Fun Run.** 10:00 a.m. Rendezvous Campus. Stay tuned for details.

## presidents letter continued ...

our fundraising letter, step up, be generous and make the Jewish community a priority by helping to underwrite our many programs, including Bet Sefer and camp, spiritual leadership, adult education, community outreach and tzedakah. We are putting together an ambitious calendar and need your support to turn plans into reality. Membership dues alone will not sustain our basic budget requirements.

In closing, we would like to express

our appreciation to past president Carol Mann. Thank you, Carol, for facilitating our board gathering to address spiritual leadership direction. With expertise and love, you were our guide as we spoke of our pasts, our presents and our futures; shared our differences and celebrated our collective vision. We are grateful.

*B'Shalom*

*Dava Zucker and Lisa Finkelstein,  
co-presidents*



AIPAC hosts  
meeting with  
Thomas, Enzi &  
Cubin

Tuesday, August 15

7:30a.m.

Wort Hotel

## Annual AIPAC meeting

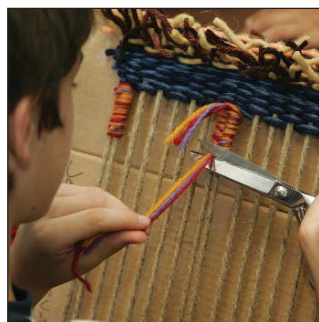
It's the time of year for us to meet with our senators and congressmen, hosted by AIPAC. This is a wonderful perk of living in Wyoming: direct, personal access to our entire congressional delegation. For those of you who have never come, it is both fun and interesting to hear directly the opinions and attitudes towards Israel of our elected representatives. The format is usually question and answer, and you have the chance to express yourself. You don't have to be a politico to find this a meaningful

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experience. Last year we had a good number of people thanks to a few members getting on the phone and personally inviting friends and acquaintances to attend. The people I invited loved it. Please, take two hours to help beleaguered Israel and participate in our great democracy. The congressional meetings are scheduled at the Wort for Tuesday, August 15, with Senators Thomas and Enzi at 7:30 am followed by Representative Cubin at 8:30 am. Come, it's fun! This is being co-sponsored by AIPAC and the Jackson Hole Jewish Community.

— Karin McQuillan



#### **Our Children Speak:**

*What do you like most about Spirit of the Mountains Summer Camp?*

"CITs, playing outside, arts and crafts, and the talent show."

— *Aviva Thal*

"Arts and Crafts."

— *Esther Grossman*

"Weaving with EJ Hirschfield."

— *Josh Zandler & Jamie Vargas*

"Awards Ceremony."

— *Zoe Novak-Miller*

"Just the weaving and going on the float trip."

— *Isaac Grossman*

"I liked everything."

— *Adrienne Sugarman*

## **TID BITS**

### **Fundraising Campaign**

Various board members will be making phone calls to the community to seek your support. This month fundraising letters are also being sent out to the community. As you are approached to help sustain the Jackson Hole Jewish Community we would like you to take a moment and think about what Judaism means in your life, in your family's life, and how our community impacts the greater community of Jackson. Your support of the Jewish Community is extremely important to us. Without your help we could not host monthly Shabbat services, High Holiday services, other major holiday celebrations, weekly religious school, summer camp, and Torah study. Our goal is to have everyone's pledge by August 31st.

### **Jewish Pet of the Month**

Spirit of the Mountains Summer Camp Mascot, **Sophie Grossman**



Send a pic of your Jewish pet to [info@jhjewishcommunity.org](mailto:info@jhjewishcommunity.org)

## *Many Thanks to ...*

- **Esther Grossman** who helped with the newsletter mailing in June.
- **Sandy Ress and Susan Foster** for hosting the June Torah Study.
- **The Lundy family** for hosting Rabbi Bennett Greenspon in July.



- **Shamus Russell Scott** for helping with Shabbat services in July.

- **E.J. Hirschfield** who spent numerous hours planning and working with our children on two different art projects at the Spirit of the Mountains Summer Camp.

*Artist E.J. Hirschfield teaches weaving to Spirit of the Mountain campers during the first week of camp.*





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*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, tzedakah and the joys of Jewish life.*

## ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP KICK-OFF PARTY ...



### & KOSHER WINE TASTING

**Thursday, August 24  
5 - 7pm • ArtSpace Gallery**

*Kosher wine has come a long way since your grandparents made you sip it. Try some great new Kosher wines from around the world, hors'd'oeuvres and music while meeting other members of our Jewish community.*

## SHABBAT *Jackson Hole* style

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