Guest Lecturer Shoshanna Bryen

"America's War: Who are we fighting and how will we know when we win?"



Wednesday, February 21 7 PM, Snow King Grand Room



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Letter from the Presidents

What a pleasure it was to share in Sarina's coming of age ceremony. Over the years we have watched her grow and mature to become the intelligent, poised and beautiful young woman who was called to the Torah. As a Jewish Community we are very proud of Sarina and her accomplishments and look forward to being a part of the many joyous occasions in her future. Mazel tov to Sarina and the Thal and Scott families.

Young (and young at heart) professionals bowling night at the Elk's Club was a ball. Everyone had such a good time bowling, mingling and playing tunes on the juke box that we're planning a repeat in April.

At the last board meeting, we thanked our outgoing members and welcomed the newcomers. David Mayers was elected for a two-year term as Treasurer, Scott Stachel was named Secretary and we will continue to serve as Co-Presidents. A seemless transition and we all look forward to a diligent and rewarding year ahead.

Our congregation will gather for two Shabbat services this month - on Feb. 2 and 9. We are excited to welcome Rabbi Gerald Weider, who will lead a service

and next-day Torah Study. Rabbi Weider lives parttime in Park City and helped establish their Jewish community. We encourage everyone to come and celebrate Shabbat and get to know Rabbi Weider - and even challenge him on the ski slopes. After all, he did organize the group known as the Skiing Rabbis.

Our Bet Sefer students will be leading the second Shabbat service. The children have been practicing their prayers and songs with Judd and are thrilled to show off their talents in front of people other than their Hebrew School teachers. We encourage you to join us for this special service.

As part of our ongoing commitment to bring thought-provoking speakers to

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Jewish Dog of the Month



Stephen Abrams' dog **Flash** smiles for the camera at Huckelberry Lookout.

CALENDAR

February 2: Shabbat with visiting **Rabbi Gerald Weider** and Chazzan Judd Grossman. 6 p.m. St John's Episcopal Church, downstairs conference room. Oneg to follow. Babysitting provided in the meeting room.

February 3: Torah Study with Rabbi Gerald Weider. 480 S. Cache, 9:30 p.m. February 7: Board Meeting. 6:00 p.m. downstairs conference room 480 S. Cache St. February 9: Bet Sefer Shabbat service with Chazzan Judd Grossman. 5:30 p.m. St. John's Episcopal church. Oneg to follow. February 21: Lecture given by Shoshanna Bryen: "America's War: Who are we fighting

and how will we know when we win?" 7 pm, Snow King Resort, Grand Room

March 23: Shabbat with Carol Mann and Chazzan Judd Grossman. *Summer*

Dead Sea Scroll Exhibit in Idaho Falls

The Museum of Idaho in Idaho Falls will host the *Ink & Blood: Sacred Treasures of the Bible* exhibit beginning on February 16th. The exhibit presents authentic Dead Sea Scroll fragments, manuscripts and rare Bibles gathered from around the world to tell the story of the most printed book in history—the Bible in English. For more information visit: http://www.inkandblood.com/exhibit/overview/ index.php

Many Thanks, Mazel Tov and condolences

Mazel Tov:

• To **Taug** and **Rosie Boschen** on the birth of their son **Bodhi Thomas Boschen**.

• Sarah and Dan Schatz on the birth of their daughter Emily Malka Schatz.

• **Carol Mann** on the launch of her new website: www.yourcosmiccafe.com Check it Out!

Many Thanks:

• **Josh Beck** for helping organize the Young Professionals Bowling Night.

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the valley, we are pleased to host Shoshana Bryan on Feb. 21 at Snow King for a lecture-discussion, "America's War: Who are we Fighting and how will we know when we win." The objective of the evening is to define what the "war on terror" really is and how to fight something that appears amorphous and neverending. Mrs. Bryen, who comes highly recommended, has for the past four years planned and facilitated conferences on military strategy in conjunction with the Strategic Studies Institute of the U.S. Army War College.

As always, it is wonderful to see old friends and welcome new at our various events. And thank you, thank you to all our hosts and dedicated volunteers for their time and energy. To everyone: Connect with our Jewish Community. You'll be glad you did.

B'Shalom

Lisa Finklestein and Dava Zucker, Co-Presidents



Happy campers enjoy the summer sunshine.

Help Support the JHJC's Summer Camp

The Jackson Hole Jewish Community's Spirit of the Mountains Summer Camp is seeking support through resources available within our community. The Spirit of the Mountains Summer Camp could greatly benefit from community members who like to work with children and are:

Artisits Photographers Storytellers Actors Outdoors experts

The Spirit of the Mountains Summer Camp is also seeking owners of canoes and boats to help take our children on half day excursions.

Other ideas for activities are welcome! If you would like to help our community camp this summer please contact Andrea Mazer at info@jhjewishcommunity.org.

Guest Lecturer Shoshanna Bryen

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will give a lecture/discussion on "America's War: Who are we fighting and how will we know when we win?" at Snow King on February 21st from 7 pm – 9 pm. Shoshanna Bryen is Director of Special Projects for the Jewish Institute for National Security Affairs (JINSA). From May 1981 to June 1991, she served as JINSA's Executive Director, presiding over the organization's growth from a small working committee on American defense to a membership organization of over 17,000 people.

JINSA is a non-profit, non partisan educational organization with two purposes: to educate the American Jewish community about vital issues in American security policy as they relate to the defense of the United States and the securi-



ty of Israel; and to educate the American defense community about the key role Israel can and does play in bolstering democratic interests in the Mediterranean and Middle East regions.

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JHJC COOKBOOKS

After enjoying so many wonderful pot-luck meals with the Jewish Community—it's time to immortalize them in print! As a fundraiser for our Bet Sefer, we have decided to create a Jackson Hole Chaverim cookbook.

Over the next six months or so, Phyllis Turtle and Rose Novak will be compiling recipes from our very talented congregation, their friends and family, and hopefully from some local chefs. We're sending out this first call for any original (or fairly original) recipes for any of your favorite dishes. We're looking at Jewish and non-Jewish fare, holiday treats, kids favorites, and your bubbe's kugel.

To ensure that the cookbook will be appealing and successful, artist Shannon Troxler Thal has agreed to create illustrations (which will immediately make it fit for your coffee table...) and Mary Grossman, who made our newsletter look amazing will help us with design.

We will probably be contacting you directly to remind you of this endeavor and solicit your participation. But why wait....send your masterpieces (preferably by email) to phyllis@cogitech.com. If you'd rather submit them in writing, that's fine too. Send them to Phyllis Turtle, PO Box 4937 Jackson, WY 83001.

We'll keep you updated on the progress of this gastronomic extravaganza and Rose and Phyllis look forward to hearing from you.



TID BITS

Reminders

If you make purchases from amazon.com, you can do it through the link on our home page and we will get a small percentage of your purchase.

If you shop at Albertsons, you can attach our Community Partners number – 490001194530 – to your Preferred Savings Card, and the JHJC will get a percentage of everything you buy.

If you shop at Smiths, fill out their Earn & Learn Enrollment Form designating "Bet Sefer – JH Chaverim" as your beneficiary to help aid our Hebrew School program.

Remember & Honor Friends and Loved Ones

If you would like to honor or memorialize friends and loved ones, you may do so by donating to the Jackson Hole Jewish Community's:

1. General Fund: Ensures the sustainability of the organization

2. Children's Fund: Bet Sefer, children's books for our library, toys, art supplies

3. Shabbat Enrichment Fund: Spiritual Leadership, venue for Shabbat services, Oneg Each month a list of the donations will be printed in the Jackson Kol. A letter of acknowledgement will be sent to the recipient as well. A minimum donation of \$18 is requested. Donations should be made out to the Jackson Hole Jewish Community earmarked for the specified fund. If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact Linda Wiener at 733-8578 or the office at 734-1999.

JHJC Wish List

- Sponsor our monthly Newsletter: \$100 (per month)
- JHJC personalized stationary: \$150
- External hard drive 100GB back up system for our office computer: \$120



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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.

Bet Sefer Shabbat Service



Come celebrate Shabbat with the Jackson Hole Jewish Community as the children of Bet Sefer

lead us in song and prayer on **February** 9th at 5:30 p.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church. (Oneg to follow.)