

Save the Date



**Save the Date
Shabbat with Rabbi
Andy Feig
July 23, 6:00 p.m.
Old Wilson School House**

The Jackson Kol



NEWSLETTER FOR THE JACKSON HOLE JEWISH COMMUNITY • JULY 2010

Letter from the president

Uncle Moishe recently spent a week in the Jewish Alps, the Catskills, at a family reunion. All the sisters and brothers, aunts and uncles, cousins were there. He said it was quite a success as everyone left actually still talking to one another. Anyway, Unc was asking his brother's son, Mordecai, how his first year of college had been at Yeshiva University. Morty could only talk about Yeshiva's rowing team, of which he was a freshman member and how good they will be next year now that they knew what to do. Unc asked Morty what he meant and Morty told him what happened toward the end of this past season. It seems they were losing race after race. They practiced and practiced for hours each day but never managed to do better than last place. Finally they sent Yankel, the assistant coach, to spy on Harvard's championship rowing team to find out how they did it. After spending two weeks in the bushes on the banks of the Charles River, Yankel came back and said he's figured out Harvard's secret. YU's whole team was anxious to hear what the secret was. So, Yankel told them that they had been doing it all exactly backwards from the way Harvard does it. He told them that on Harvard's team, only one guy shouts and the other eight guys row!

My son Sam was lucky enough to visit Israel last month with Birthright Israel. He swam in the Dead Sea, slept in a Bedouin camp, ate falafel in Tel Aviv, rode through the desert on a camel and was inspired at the Wailing Wall. He also climbed the steep ramp to Masada, he

viewed the gun emplacements on the Golan Heights, he toured the Holocaust museum and he stood in silent respect amongst the headstones in the national military cemetery. He roomed on the trip with several Israeli soldiers, most of them younger than he, a reminder of a country's commitment to its own well-being. A security guard traveled with Sam's group, also a reminder that this country needs to be ever watchful for its own protection. As he toured the country and got a feel for its small size, he came to understand this country's need for vigilance and why there were armed soldiers patrolling in the streets of the cities.

Very soon there will be an AIPAC meeting in Jackson with our two U.S. Senators and Representative. See the calendar of events for the date and times in this newsletter. No matter what your political bent, or your opinions on Israeli and American policies, you should come to listen to what the Senators have to say about Israel and the Middle East and ask questions if you'd like. It is a wonderful opportunity to have such access to our government representatives right here in our own community. I dare say that given what is at stake for the future of this Jewish state we owe it to Sam's roomies to at least come and give a listen, no?

*B'Shalom
Al Zuckerman
JHJC President*

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Jewish Pet of the Month Maverick Michels



**Springer/Border Collie mix
He is old, grey and very loving**

Still looking for Jewish Pets of the Month! If you have a pet that you would like featured in our newsletter, please e-mail a picture to info@jhjewishcommunity.org.

CALENDAR

July 11: Traditional Jewish Cooking Class: Knishes with Jessica Rutzick. 4:00 p.m. Home of Jessica Rutzick. Registration required. Contact Andrea at info@jhjewishcommunity.org or 734-1999. Cost: \$15/class.

July 18: Pre-camp Potluck for parents, campers and staff. 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Mike Yokel Park. Please bring a dish to share.

July 19-23 & July 26-30: Spirit of the Mountains Summer Camp. Weekdays, 9 am – 4 pm. Old Wilson School House.

July 23: Shabbat with Rabbi Andy Feig. 6:00 p.m. Old Wilson School House. Oneg to follow.

July 24: Adult education with Rabbi Andy Feig - Jerusalem: The Center of Jewish Life Biblically and Beyond. Place TBA. 9:30 a.m. Bagels and coffee provided.

August 6: Swingin' Sabbath featuring the Richard Brown Band and Chazzan Judd Grossman. Sabbath service followed by dancing, wine and fun. Celebrate being Jewish in the Tetons with the JHJC. All ages, FREE! 6:00 p.m. Home of Lisa Finkelstein and Marc Domsy. Contact the office for directions info@jhjewishcommunity.org.

August 9: AIPAC meeting with Representative Lummis. 10:30 – 11 a.m. River Crossing, 3205 Big Trails Dr. Light refreshments provided.

August 10: AIPAC meeting with Senator Enzi. 3 p.m. Senator Enzi's Jackson office, 1110 Maple Way, Suite G.

August 10: AIPAC meeting with Senator Barrasso. 4:00 p.m. River Crossing, 3205 Big Trails Dr. Light refreshments provided.

August 14: Bar Mitzvah of Ben Scher. 10:00 a.m. River Crossing, 3205 Big Trails Dr. Luncheon to follow.

August 17: Traditional Jewish Cooking Class: Gefilte Fish with Kelly Zelikovitz. 4:00 p.m. Home of Kelly Zelikovitz. Registration required. Contact Andrea at info@jhjewishcommunity.org or 734-1999. Cost: \$15/class.

High Holidays 5771
September 8: Erev Rosh Hashanah
September 9: Rosh Hashanah
September 10: Shabbat Shuva
September 17: Kol Nidre
September 18: Yom Kippur

July Shabbat

Visiting Rabbi Andy Feig • July 23 & 24, 2010



Rabbi Andy Feig
from Los Angeles

Rabbi Andrew Feig serves as the School Rabbi for Sinai Akiba Academy, a Conservative Jewish day school in Los Angeles. A native Chicagoan, he has lived and worked in LA for the last twelve years. He received his bachelor's degree in Hebrew studies and political science from the University of Wisconsin and has a master's in Jewish studies from the University of Chicago. In 2007, he was ordained as rabbi at the Academy for Jewish Religion, California. Before Sinai Akiba Academy, Rabbi Feig was a dean of students and Jewish studies teacher at Milken Community High School. Rabbi Feig is blessed with a lovely family; his wife, Julie, who is a researcher at UCLA's Dept of Education, and Ella (9), Ezra (7) and Eytan (3).

- Friday, June 23: Shabbat with Rabbi Andy Feig. Oneg to follow. 6 pm, Old Wilson Schoolhouse, Wilson.
- Saturday, June 24: Adult Education with Rabbi Feig. Topic - Jerusalem: The Center of Jewish Life Biblically and Beyond. 9:30 a.m. Location: TBA Bagels and coffee served.

JHJC Cooks Gather!



Friends and members of the JHJC have fun with the first of three Jewish Cooking Classes offered this summer: Rugelach and Strudel taught by Phyllis Fischer. Next class, Knishes with Jessica Rutzick. See page 4.



Jackson Hole Jewish Community

Annual Financial Report

Income and Expenses for Fiscal Year Ending June, 30

	<u>June 2010</u>	<u>% of Total</u>
Income		
Member Dues & Donations	79,934	74%
Bet Sefer, Camp Fees & Donations	20,581	19%
Religious Events Income	5,107	5%
Other Income	3,131	3%
Total Income	\$ 108,754	100%
Expenses		
Administrative	44,419	35%
Bet Sefer & Camp	25,787	20%
Religious Events	52,459	42%
Other Expenses	3,476	3%
Total Expenses	\$ 126,140	100%
Net Income	\$ (17,386)	
2009 Net Income (Surplus)	\$ 21,112	
2 Year Net Surplus	\$ 3,726	

Annual AIPAC Meetings • August 9 & 10

August is the time of year for us to meet with our senators and congressmen, hosted by the Jackson Hole Jewish Community & AIPAC. For those of you who have never come, it is both informative and interesting to hear directly the opinions and attitudes towards Israel, the only issue to be discussed, of our elected representatives. The format is usually question and answer, and you have the chance to express yourself. The



congressional meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 9 from 10:30 – 11:00 a.m. with Representative Lummis at River Crossing, 3205 Big Trails Drive AND Tuesday, August 10 at 3:00 p.m. with Senator Enzi at his office (1110 Maple Way, Suite G); following Enzi later in the day on August 10 we will meet with Senator Barrasso at 4:00 p.m. at River Crossing. We hope to see you there!

MAZEL TOV

- **Nathan Bernal** on graduating from Teton High School! Nathan will be attending Everest College in Vancouver, WA.
- **Rachel Pepper** on graduating from Journeys School! Rachel will be attending Auburn University in Alabama this fall.
- **Mark Langer** on graduating from the Community School! Mark will be attending Bates College in Maine this fall.
- **Brandon Kapelow** on graduating from the Community School!
- **Madeline Caldwell** on graduating from Wesleyan University in Connecticut this spring.

MANY THANKS

- **Janna Rankin and Arthur Frakt** for hosting our June Oneg.
- **Rachel and Wendell Stam** for housing the Rabbi and his wife in June and for hosting our adult education program in June.
- **Phyllis Fischer** for teaching a cooking class in June.
- **Sandy Ress and Susan Foster** for hosting a mishpocha dinner in June.

YITZKOR BOOK

Yitzkor Book Listings

Please send names for this year's Yitzkor book to Andrea Mazer at the office no later than September 1st. Call 734.1999 or e-mail info@jhjewishcommunity.org

CONGRATS!

- **Rose Novak** for winning the first JHJC Volunteer of the Year award at the annual membership meeting. Rose has dedicated much of her time and energy over the past year to the JHJC by hosting and planning several events including Honoring Inger and our Passover seder. She also has been an active ex-officio by attending many board meetings throughout the year. **Well done Rose!**

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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.

SUMMER CLASSES!



**Traditional Jewish Cooking
Classes:**

Learn to make strudel, rugelach, blintzes, kugel, gefilte fish, brisket, and more from the experts from the Jackson Hole Jewish Community. At the end of each class, bring home and enjoy the food you've made. Classes will be held monthly. Pre-registration is required. RSVP today with Andrea at info@jhjewishcommunity.org or 734-1999. The cost is \$15/class for food supplies.

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Lend a helping hand!

We need your help and generosity this summer:

- A guest room or house for a member of the Richard Brown Band who will be performing for our Swing'n Sabbath. Dates are August 4-8.
- A guest room or house for the Rabbi during High Holidays.
- Volunteers to help set-up and clean up St. John's during High Holidays.
- Volunteers to help in the kitchen for our potluck meals during High Holidays.
- Volunteer babysitters during High Holiday services.
- We are looking for an energetic youth group leader. If you are interested in this volunteer position contact Andrea at info@jhjewishcommunity.org.