



Chaverim Newsletter

Letter from the President

Shalom Chaverim

Last month, our children recited and sang a warm and lively Bet Sefer Shabbat with Judd leading and Phyllis Turtle there as backup. Thanks to Judd, the teachers of Bet Sefer, and the kids for a job well-done. Instead of a sermon, Phyllis showed us the Arc, Torah, and accoutrements that the kids made at Bet Sefer as a project to learn more about the Torah. All of this reading and singing and clapping made us hungry, and fortunately we had a more substantial Oneg than usual. Thanks to all the parents who hosted.

Our Community Seder was a huge success. We had about 75 people in the Grand Room of Snow King. Mike led, using our new Hagaddahs. And we all played our parts as slaves and asked scholarly questions. The kids were great again—asking the four questions, reading some parts of the Seder service and searching for the Afakoman with real zeal. Mike redeemed the matzo with a silver dollar for each child and they made sure that everyone there got a piece of afkoman for “dessert.” We wish to thank Janna Rankin for suggesting the new Hagaddahs.

Dan Gordon will be here on May 19 to help Bet Sefer celebrate the last day of school with a picnic, stories, and songs. He will spend the weekend with us, leading the Shabbat service and teaching. He will also visit the Middle School and our two senior centers. Please help Dan feel welcome. Invite a Rabbi to dinner! Call the office if you can host.

Dave Freudenthal, like most of the other governors, has proclaimed May 1-8, Days of Remembrance, a time to remember the Holocaust and the lessons it can teach us about hate and intolerance. The request for the proclamation came from the JHJC at the behest of the United States Holocaust Museum in Washington, D.C.

Mayor Mike Baron also proclaimed these days at the request of Karin McQuillan and Patty Atkins of the Christian Center, a great friend of the Jewish People and of Israel. You can read both of these proclamations at our web site.

Sorry to report that of all the churches in town that were offered a Holocaust film to share with their congregations, only three, the Christian Center, the LDS Church, and St. John’s, requested films. Sad and eye-opening because the films we offered are about the courageous acts of Righteous Gentiles.

Better news: We have given several films to the Middle School and the High School that they want to use in teaching their “World War II” and “Courage in Crisis” curriculums and to keep in their libraries for further use.

I hope to see you all at a showing of two fine short films on the Holocaust, sponsored by JHJC, at the library on Thursday, May 26 at 7 p.m., with a discussion to follow.

Rose Novak, President

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Upcoming events

Holocaust Films presentation at the Teton County Library. Please join us on May 26 at 7 p.m. to view *Choosing One’s Way: Resistance* and *It was Nothing, It was Everything*. This viewing and the discussion to follow will be open to the community as a whole and is part of our Outreach program to teach tolerance of diversity.

Calendar

Every Thursday Through May 19 — Bet Sefer, **4 p.m.** at the LDS church.

May 6 — Film Presentation. Noon. Please join St. John’s Episcopal Church to view and discuss *It was Nothing, It was Everything*. The film will be shown in the St. John’s Meeting room. Call Joni at the church for details.

May 19 — Storytelling at the Senior Center. Rabbi Dan Gordon will be joining the Senior Center on East Hansen for lunch, followed by his weaving of tales to entertain all. Dan will also be weaving his tales the next morning at 10 at the Nursing Home.

May 19 — Last Day of Bet Sefer. Come join Rabbi Dan Gordon, Chazan Judd Grossman and the

teachers and children of Bet Sefer as we celebrate the last day of school with song, stories, food, and more.

May 20 — Shabbat Service led by Rabbi Dan Gordon and Chazan Judd Grossman. 6:30 p.m. at St. John’s Chapel. Oneg to follow in St. John’s meeting room.

May 21 — Torah Study. 9:30 a.m. Basement Conference Room at 480 S. Cache St.

May 22 — Judaism 101. 4 p.m. Basement Conference Room at 480 S. Cache St.

May 23 — Newsletter deadline. Please send submissions to info@jhjewishcommunity.org.

May 26 — Film Presentation. 7 p.m.

Teton county Library. Please join us to view Holocaust Documentaries *Choosing One’s Way: Resistance* and *It was Nothing, It was Everything*. A discussion will follow.

June 1 — Board meeting. 5:15 p.m. 480 S. Cache St, Basement Conference Room. All are welcome to attend.

Congratulations to

James Wolfensohn, named special envoy for Gaza disengagement by the European Union, Russia, the United Nations and the United States.

Rose and Ron Novak on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Gareth Novak-Miller, this month.

Treasurer’s Report March 2005 (YTD)

A word of explanation. The Jewish Community’s major fundraising occurs in the fall. Although last fall’s receipts are what we are using for operations now, they are not shown in this budget.

Inflows

Bet Sefer	\$ 0	
Donations/Dues	2385	
Interest	345	
Religious Events	280	
Other (Albertsons)	1356	
Total Inflows		\$4,366

Outflows

Admin	\$ 7729	
Adult Education	133	
Bet Sefer	4269	
Religious Events	4966	
Leadership	8285	
Tzedakah	200	
Special Programming	160	
Summer Camp	165	
Total Outflows		\$25,907
Income Less Expenses		- \$21,541

JHJC Outreach

In accepting donations and matching funds through Old Bill’s Fun Run every year, the Jewish Community has a wonderful opportunity for outreach to our community, but also a bit of a dilemma. As a “Faith-based” organization, the Chaverim is limited to spending its Old Bill’s fund on non-religious activities. Our Old Bill’s applications have specified that we will spend the funds on building tolerance of diversity.

Thus, this year, our funds have been used to help fund non-religious aspects of our summer day camp, including scholarships for non-Jewish children, sponsoring our storytelling Rabbi in programs for the youth and elderly in our larger community, and most recently, the purchase of films on the Holocaust to help our community understand those events.

In future months, we hope to sponsor speakers, exhibits, cultural performances, and more in furtherance of our goal to build tolerance of diversity in our communities.



Shabbat Service

With Rabbi Dan Gordon and
Chazan Judd Grossman.

May 20, 6:30 p.m.,

St. John's Chapel

Oneg to follow in the Meeting Room

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

AWOL

Please help us find our missing Siddurs and Hagaddahs.

As summer approaches, we can expect to have Shabbat services attended by many visitors. Last summer we had 50 Siddurs, but this spring we have only about 35 left in our storeroom. If you have borrowed a Siddur, we would very much appreciate it if you would bring it with you to the next Shabbat, or call the office to arrange its return.

We hope to buy new editions of the Siddur when it is published, with the new edition designed for both Friday Evening and Saturday Morning services, but until then, we need to have our familiar purple books available for all.

Also, a few of our new Hagaddahs are AWOL after the Pesach service. If you have borrowed one, please give the office a call so we know where it is.

Rose's Brazilian Horoseth

This chorisis was the hit of last month's Seder. Rose is glad to share it with all.

3 medium apples, unpeeled, grated
1 3/4 cup chopped almonds, walnuts, or cashews
1 cup raisins
1/2 cup dates, pitted
1/4 tsp cinnamon
About 3/4 cup sweet Passover wine
1-2 tbs sugar, optional



Place all ingredients except wine and sugar in food processor or large bowl. Pulse or chop until well blended, adding only the amount of wine the fruits and nuts can absorb. Place in large bowl and taste, adding sugar if needed.

Yield, 5 cups.

Camp Registration is open. Please call 734-1999/visit www.jhjewishcommunity.org for information.

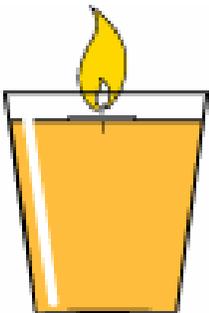
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Office Hours:
Tuesdays 11-2 p.m., Thursday 2-3:30 p.m.
Or by arrangement.

The Jewish Community of Jackson Hole 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.

Teton County Commission Resolution, September 2001



“...Respect for the civil liberties of all people must be upheld.

“We condemn the increase in discrimination, threats and violence against Arabs, Muslims, South and Southeast Asian, Jewish, Immigrant and Refugee communities.... Our citizens pride themselves on diversity and respect for people of all races, faiths, ethnicities and sexual orientations. Racism is always unfair and unjust. Racial prejudice is a spiral of hatred that only leads to more violence. Only love and respect leads to peace with justice.

“We hereby declare Teton County, Wyoming a Hate-Free Zone, a place where we remain committed to protecting all our community members and continuing to build bridges among all people.”