



The Jackson Kol

Letter from the President

Shalom Chaverim

What a moving and inspiring **Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur** we shared together. It was truly my joy to see so many members and guests with us. Rabbi Mike Cummins and Chazzan Judd Grossman were beyond outstanding and many of you told me how much the services meant to you this year. Thank you to Mike and Judd. Thank you to Larry Thal for sounding the shofar.

We had about 25 at our mid-day discussion of Mike's Rosh Hashanah sermon. It was a joy to hear so many thoughtfully express their desires for value-based actions by our government and corporate leadership and in our own lives. Thank you to Ron Novak for leading that discussion.

Once again a big thank you to Loretta Scott for taking on the child care. Loretta is a long-time friend of the JHJC. And finally thank you to all of you—especially the brisket-maven Brent Blue—for providing the wonderful pot luck dishes.

I thought I would get one more chance to boor you on Yom Kippur evening, so I missed my big chance in the morning. Though I can always rely on Hannah Turtle to supply me with good lines, I had

really wanted to talk about **Bet Sefer** and ask for someone or two, or three, to underwrite the school, much as camp is sponsored each year. Ten thousand dollars a year would easily cover it.

Our Bet Sefer gets better every year and this year, with Sidney Daniels as director, it is taking a great leap forward. Because the school is small, the cost per student is high. We have 12 students. With the same staff, we could easily take twice that number, at just about the same cost. But we

owe this much to our children. If there is anyone who is willing to take this leadership position as Bert and Terry Romberg have for camp, you will find that your contribution is a significant gift that you can see at work. You will be rewarded beyond your dreams when you see our children and what they can do.



Onto **Sukkot** at Laurie Thal's with about 25 attending (not counting dogs.) We decorated the Sukkah with the bountiful flowers and grasses from the surrounding fields. Judd led singing and prayers and everyone had a chance to shake the lulov and inhale the scent of the lulov. We even did the Hokey Pokey with the lulov & etrog, Judd leading the song.

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The Directors 2005

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Shabbat

Please join us at 6:30 p.m., Friday November 18, at St. John's Episcopal Chapel for a Shabbat Service led by Dan Gordon with Chazan Judd Grossman.

Calendar

November 2. Board Meeting. 5:15 p.m. Downstairs Conference Room at 480 S. Cache St.

November 17-21. Dan Gordon is in town. Please contact him directly or through the office if you would like to see him while he is here.

November 18. Shabbat. With Dan Gordon and Judd Grossman. 6:30 p.m. St. John's Episcopal Church. Oneg to follow in the meeting room.

November 19. Torah Study. 9:30 a.m. Downstairs Conference Room at 480 S. Cache St.

November 20. B'nai Mitzvah Students meeting with Dan. 3 p.m. Downstairs Conference Room at 480 S. Cache St.

November 20. Judaism 101 with Dan. 4:30 p.m. Downstairs Conference Room at 480 S. Cache St.

December 7. Annual Membership Meeting. 6:30 p.m. at the Novak Residence. To elect board members and hear the "State of the Congregation." All are urged to attend. (Call the office if you need directions.) Chinese take-out to follow.

December 17. Chanukah Party. 6 p.m. at the Wilson Community Center. Potluck, dreidels, gelt, and more!



Correction

The editor regrets that she failed to mention last month that Alia Scott helped with the Senior Center Tzedakah Lunch. Alia, thanks. We know the seniors were glad you were there. We certainly were.

Treasurer's Report September 2005

Operating Account	Aug 31	52,253
Income:		
Donations		
Bet Sefer	2,150	
Other (Albertsons)		
Interest	173	
Total	2,323	
Expenses:		
Administration	2,683	
Leadership	200	
Religious Events	873	
Summer Camp	40	
Bet Sefer	1,251	
Total	5,047	
Net for Aug		(2,724)
Operating Account	Sept 30	49,529
Fundraising for next yr.		31,268
Old Bills Fund	Aug 31	30,356
Expenses:		
Community Outreach		(175)
Old Bills Fund	Sept 30	30,181
Building Fund	Sept 30	50,420
Total Cash		161,398

Stephan's Succulent Sukkot Soup

Stephan Abrams got this recipe off of AOL. It was originally from Sunset Magazine and it was the rave of our Sukkot Potluck.

2 tablespoons ground New Mexico or California chilies
 1 teaspoon cumin seed
 1 can (14 1/2 oz.) diced tomatoes (no salt added)
 1 cup coarsely chopped onion
 2 cloves garlic
 1 or 2 canned chipotle chilies, drained
 1 tablespoon salad oil
 2 cans (15 oz. each) reduced-sodium black beans
 2 cups reduced-sodium chicken broth
 1 can (16 oz.) pumpkin
 Fresh cilantro sprigs
 Lime wedges
 Reduced-fat sour cream

1. In a 5- to 6-quart pan over medium-high heat, stir New Mexico chilies and cumin just until they start to smoke, 1 to 2 minutes. Scrape into a blender and add tomatoes with their juice, onion, garlic, chipotles, and oil; whirl until smooth.

2. Pour chili mixture into pan. Bring to a simmer over medium-high heat, partially cover, and stir occasionally until slightly thickened, about 5 minutes. Stir in beans with their

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Shabbat Service

Led by Dan Gordon & Judd Grossman.

November 18, 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.

Soup continued

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liquid, broth, and pumpkin. Bring to a simmer over high heat, then reduce heat and simmer, covered, for 10 minutes to blend flavors.

3. Whirl about 2 cups of the soup in blender until smooth, then return to pan. Garnish soup with cilantro sprigs and offer lime wedges and sour cream to season to taste.



President's Letter continued

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We celebrated **Simchat Torah** a week later. Last year, everyone was pretty celebrated out by Simchat Torah, so this year we tried something new—celebrating during the final hour of Hebrew school. This is one of the truly joyous holidays. All our Bet Sefer students and many parents participated. We unrolled and talked about our Torah and its history, and then danced and sang around it. Thank you to Eve and Judd for leading the event.

Dan Gordon will here for November and in December we will celebrate Havdalah and Chanukah together led by Judd.

The Annual Meeting is coming up on December 7, when you have the opportunity to hear the “State of the Congregation” and elect new Board members. In my last act as outgoing president, I have agreed to host the event at my house. It’s also joke night. Larry Thal will MC as we share our best or worst Jewish jokes. We plan to follow the meeting with a meal of Chinese take-out.

Remember to get your dues and contributions and school tuition to the JHJC as soon as possible, so we can avoid having to send you follow-up letters. And thank you if you have already done so.

Rose Novak, President

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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.

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Membership materials may be obtained at www.jhjewishcommunity.org. We look forward to receiving your membership fee and/or donation soon.

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