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Los Alamos Secret Disclosed by Truman ATOMIC BOMBS DROP ON JAPAN



Deadliest Weapons in World's History, Made In Santa Fe Vicinity

Santa Fe learned officially today of a city of 4,000 in its own front yard. The reverberating announcement of the Los Alamos bomb, with 2,000 times the power of the great Grand Slammers dropped on Germany, also lifted the secret of the community on the Pajarito Plateau, whose presence Santa Fe has ignored, except in whispers, for more than ten years.



'Utter Destruction,' Promised in Potsdam Ultimatum, Unleashed Power Equals 2,000 Superforts

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6 (AP)—The U. S. Army Air Force has released on the Japanese an atomic bomb containing more power than 20,000 tons of TNT. It produces more than 2,000 times the blast of the largest bomb ever used before.

The announcement of the development was made in a statement by President Truman released by the White House today. The bomb was dropped 16 hours ago on Hiroshima, an important Japanese city.



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INFORMATION

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400 Trinity at Central
Los Alamos, NM

(505) 662-2441
1-800-462-0936

REGISTRATION FEES INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

1. Friday evening dessert and coffee reception/book signing/crafts display
2. Admission to all Saturday and Sunday conference sessions
3. Saturday afternoon walking or bus tour
4. Saturday evening banquet
5. Sunday lox and bagel brunch

The Hilltop House Hotel has extended group convention rates to conference attendees.

YOU ARE EXPECTED TO MAKE YOUR OWN HOTEL RESERVATIONS.

Rooms will be held until October 31, after which date they will be released to the public.



WELCOME

Dear Members and Friends:

The site of our Tenth Annual Conference is Los Alamos -- a site that has had a tremendous impact, not only on New Mexico, but on the nation and the entire world. The speakers that we have assembled focus on the role that Jews played in the Manhattan and subsequent scientific and weapons projects, as well as in the development of the Jewish cultural and religious institutions.

In addition to the scholarly presentations and panel discussions by participants in the historical process, we hope that you will take advantage of one of the several tour options that are available for Saturday afternoon.

Please read all of the hotel, meal and bus information very carefully. It is very important that you sign up for exactly what you want by the deadline date!

We look forward to having you join us for the entire weekend in Los Alamos!

President



DOMESTIC SCENE: Laundry day, 1942, during Manhattan Project, looking east with Sangre de Cristo Mountains in background. Quonset huts were located where today's Central Avenue and Iris Street Apartments are.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14:

6:30 pm:

Registration

7:30 - 8:30 pm:

Dessert and Coffee Reception

Book Signing and Crafts Display

8:30 pm:

Welcoming Remarks

Claire Grossman, President
Norman Kerewsky, Stan Hordes and
Margrethe Feldman, Conference
Co-Chairs

Entertainment

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15:

JEWS AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE MANHATTAN PROJECT

9:00 - 10:15 am:

Barton C. Hacker, Historian, Lawrence
Livermore Laboratories, "Martians at
War: Hungarian Jewish Scientists and
American Technology in Los Alamos
During and After World War II"

10:15 - 10:30 am:

Break

10:30 am - 12:00 noon:

Panel discussion featuring Jews who
participated in the Manhattan Project
and early years of the Los Alamos
Laboratories:

Jay Wechsler, Los Alamos
Haskell Sheinberg, Santa Fe
Harris Mayer, Los Alamos

12:00 noon - 2:00 pm:

Lunch on your own

2:00 - 5:00 pm:

Tours of Historic Los Alamos sites

5:00 - 7:00 pm:

At leisure

7:00 pm:

Banquet

BANQUET SPEAKER: Katrina Mason,
**Journeys to the Secret City: Jewish
Refugees in Los Alamos in the 1940s
and 50s**

Ms. Mason is the author of *Children
of Los Alamos: An Oral History of
the Town Where the Atomic Age Began.*

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16:

The Development of the Jewish Community in Los Alamos, 1940s - 1990s

9:00 am - 10:00 am:

Karen Hack, "The Establishment of a
Jewish Community in Los Alamos"

10:00 - 10:15 am:

Break

10:15 am - 12:00 noon:

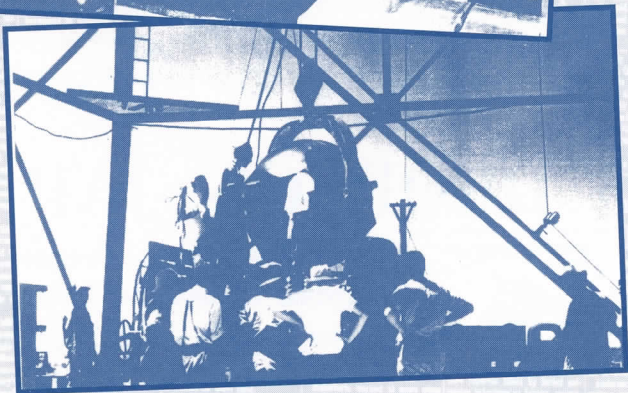
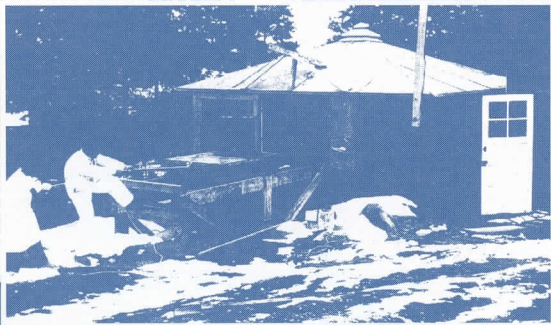
Panel discussion featuring partici-
pants in the formation and develop-
ment of the Jewish community:

Joe Bergstein, Los Alamos
Irving Goldfarb, Los Alamos
Esther Schuster, Los Alamos
Larry Weintraub, Los Alamos

12:00 noon:

Lox and Bagel Brunch

COVER: Manhattan Project women walk along Trinity
Drive near pedestrian overpass that connected two
of the main technical area buildings, mid-1940s.



FROM TOP TO BOTTOM:

J. Robert Oppenheimer, left, and Gregory Breit at a nuclear physics conference in Los Alamos, 1946.

Dining room of Fuller Lodge, late 1940's.

Handling radioactive material.

Commissary Store for the Manhattan Project housed in former Ranch School Trading Post.

The bomb, nicknamed "the gadget" as yet unarmed at base of tower, July 14, 1945.

All brochure photographs courtesy of Los Alamos Historical Society.

REGISTRATION

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Phone Number(____) _____ - _____

Please accept the following registrations for the NMJHS Tenth Annual Conference to be held in Los Alamos, NM, November 14-16, 1997:

Advance Registration (received before October 15):

NMJHS Members @ \$70 each \$ _____
 Non-Members @ \$85 each \$ _____

Regular Registration (received after October 15):

NMJHS Members @ \$80 each \$ _____
 Non-Members @ \$95 each \$ _____

Bus to Los Alamos (Round Trip)

From Albuquerque \$35.00 per person \$ _____
 From Santa Fe \$20.00 per person \$ _____

SCHEDULING DETAILS WILL BE MAILED IN NOVEMBER

NMJHS Individual Membership @ \$24 each \$ _____

Total Enclosed: \$ _____

Please choose from the following Saturday afternoon activities:

	No. Persons
Bus Tour	_____
Guided Walking Tour	_____
Other	_____

PLEASE MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO NMJHS AND MAIL TO:

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