Archives Grant Announced at Annual Membership Meeting

ur annual membership meeting and dinner was held at the Radisson Hotel in Santa Fe. Our president announced ambitious goals for future programs and the members offered many exciting ideas about Society events. The Dr. Alan Hurst Award was given to Henry Tobias, Ph.D., an active board member and distinguished historian. A surprise talk by a South African author added a fascinating dimension to the story of the immigrant Jewish experience. She gave a copy of her book to the Society for its archives collection.

Membership lists were distributed during the meeting as well as posters announcing various programs. If you would like a copy of the membership list, please send your request to our PO Box.

The highlight of the evening was the video preview of a documentary film created by Sasha Oster. For the first time ever, we heard living oral histories from the mouths of major pioneer family members. The video will be used to develop financial support for the creation of the NMJHS Video Library. Anita Miller, Chair of the Video History Committee reported that 20 people have been identified as appropriate subjects for future videos. As soon as funds become available, Sasha and her team of experts will travel around the state to record the rich and highly textured family stories which are waiting to be told.

After a wonderful buffet dinner, we enjoyed schmoozing and lively discussions about the future of the Society.

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