Conference Overview

In these very uncertain economic times, it is helpful to step back and take a look at how earlier generations coped with their own crises. Historical perspective can give us insight into our own times.

It is in this spirit that the New Mexico Jewish Historical Society focuses its attention for its 22nd Annual Conference on "New Mexico Jews and the Great Depression."

This is your opportunity to learn about how New Mexico Jews weathered the Depression and how this fits into the larger national framework, view photographs from those years, hear personal accounts, and learn about a bank that was saved.

The program will feature presentations by scholars of the Great Depression in New Mexico, as well as experts on the Jewish history of the period. A high point of the event will be a panel discussion including New Mexico Jews from various parts of the state who grew up in the 1930s and early 1940s.

The program will begin at 8:30 AM on Sunday, October 25, at the lovely Hotel Santa Fe, in downtown Santa Fe, on Sunday.

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Following the lectures and discussions, Dr. Stefanie Beninato will offer an optional walking tour of Jewish Santa Fe.

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8:30 - 9:00 am
Registration, Coffee, Bagels
Welcoming Remarks
Keynote Address
"Depression Era Photos in New Mexico: Realism Revisted"
Dr. Craig Newbill, Director, New Mexico Humanities Council
"The Great Depression in New Mexico: An Overview"
Dr. Richard Melzer, University of New Mexico, Valencia Campus
"How New Mexico Jews Weathered the Storm"
Dr. Henry Tobias, Professor Emeritus, University of Oklahoma
Panel discussion featuring observations by New Mexico Jews who grew up during the Great Depression
Panelists: Marian Petchesky Silver, Santa Fe
Robert Taichert, Albuquerque
Kathryn Rubin, Raton
Leon Rubin, Raton
Luncheon Buffet at Hotel Santa Fe
3:15 - 4:45 pm
Optional walking tour of Jewish Santa Fe led by Dr. Stefanie Beninato ($15 payable the day of the conference)
"Hard Times in Taos: How Bertha Gusdorf Helped Preserve First State Bank During the Great Depression"
Naomi Sandweiss, University of New Mexico
Please Note
Advance registration is recommended. If you register at the door lunch is not guaranteed.
New Mexico Jewish Historical Society
2009 Annual Conference Registration Form
Name ________________________________
Address ________________________________
City/State/Zip ________________________________
Phone ________________________________
Email ________________________________
Name of each attendee for name tag:

Individual member $70
Member couple $130
Nonmember $90
Nonmember couple $170
Full-time student w/ID $35
Total amount ________________________________

Your advance registration fee includes lunch

☐ Become a member of NMJHS and qualify for the member registration rate (see reverse side for membership application form)

☐ Enclosed please find my registration check (checks should be made payable to NMJHS)

☐ Please bill my credit card:
☐ Visa ☐ Mastercard
Credit Card No. ________________________________
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