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SPECIAL EDITION:

10th ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Los Alamos, New Mexico 14-16 November 1997

CAN YOU BELIEVE IT? It's time to mark your calendar for the NMJHS Tenth Annual Conference! This edition of our Newsletter will give you all the advance information about time, place, program, meals, tours, and transportation: all the special events which will make this weekend the highlight of your social, educational and gourmet calendar!! President Claire Grossman and Co-Chairs Stan Hordes, Norman Kerewsky, and Margrethe Feldman look forward to welcoming you.

We've listened and learned. After last year's Conference we surveyed your opinions: What pleased you and what didn't. What you wanted to keep and what you wanted changed. Los Alamos will be patterned upon your choices for a terrific weekend. Read on! And keep in mind that, again this year, there will be a **DISCOUNT** on the Registration fee for those who plan early.

ACCOMMODATIONS

The Hilltop House Hotel in Los Alamos has been selected as the site of the 1997 Conference. All pro-

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!

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grams and activities will be headquartered in one place to make it convenient and comfortable. By guaranteeing a specified number of room reservations, we have been able to negotiate very favorable room rates and services. Look at these rates: *Single - \$39/night.*



Oppenheimer, Teller and colleagues registered early to get good seats at this earlier Los Alamos conference, and now so should you! (photo courtesy of the Los Alamos Historical Museum)

Double - \$49/ night. Triple - \$59/ night. Rooms are either on the ground floor or served by elevator. Non-smoking and handicapped accessible rooms are available. And, your room rate includes a **complimentary buffet breakfast** in the Hotel dining room.

A large Hospitality Suite, located next to the Meeting Rooms, will also be available to speakers, members and guests.

Want more for your money? Each room reservation entitles you to free access to the heated indoor swimming pool and health club, which includes sauna, hot tub, and exercise equipment. For a nominal fee, you can even schedule a personal massage from the Hotel's licensed staff.

RESERVATIONS

The key to Conference logistics, is hotel room reservations. The more rooms we reserve, the more services we can negotiate with the Hotel. Early registration will help us enormously, and to help accomplish this goal, we are again offering a **discount on all registrations received no later than 15 October.** You

will receive Registration forms together with the formal Conference Brochure, by the middle of September.

REGISTRATION FEES

	BY <u>15 OCT</u>	AFTER <u>15 OCT</u>
Members	\$70	\$80
Non Members	85	95

REGISTRATION INCLUDES all program sessions and all planned meals. Membership may be applied for at time of Registration. Certain part time Registration fees will also be available to accommodate specific schedules. They may be requested after 1 November, by calling our Voice Mail: 505/989-6656. Fire regulations limit seating space, and priority will be given to those attending the entire weekend. To keep registration fees low, the Society Board has voted to finance certain expenses out of our treasury. With lower room rates and lower transportation expenses, your total cost for this Conference will be less than previous Conferences, even though the Society's expenses are greater. Please plan on spending this weekend with us.

HOTEL RESERVATION FORMS will be included with the Conference Brochure which will be mailed later in September. Or you can call the Hotel now at 1-800/462-0936. All room rates are plus tax, and guaranteed through 31 October 1997. *When making hotel reservations please also specify your choice of entree for the banquet, and preference for Saturday tour. (see Saturday Activities)*

TRANSPORTATION

Getting there will be a lot of fun on the special bus Lee Leven has hired to serve you. Leaving on Friday

from Albuquerque, with a stop in Santa Fe, the bus will take you in comfort and without hassle to the Hotel. On Sunday afternoon, it will whisk you home after the Brunch. *Reservations for this bus trip must be made separately*, and will be on a first come-first served basis. The bus holds 47 people. From Albuquerque the fare is \$35 round trip; from Santa Fe, \$20 round trip. If you are thinking of commuting from Santa Fe, please think again. Why miss any of the sessions or drive at night in possibly inclement weather. Enjoy the company of friends - *ess, shmooze or snooze on the "leave it to us" joy ride to Los Alamos.* Specific time schedules and reservation confirmations will be announced later. If you'd like, you may send your Bus Reservation checks now, to NMJHS, PO 23056, Santa Fe, NM 87502.

Please note: *Reservations on this bus do not include or confirm reservations for the historic bus tour on Saturday (see Saturday afternoon activities.)*

MEALS

All the positive comments last year about the food, have made it imperative that we work extra hard to make the reception, banquet and brunch extra special this year. Friday evening we will have a Dessert Reception, followed by entertainment. We are still working on details. Other than welcoming remarks, no speeches are being scheduled this first evening. . . . so that, as you requested in the survey, there will be plenty of time for a relaxed social evening.

Saturday lunch is on your own. Because most Los Alamos restaurants are closed Saturday noon, the Hotel Manager has agreed to open the Hotel dining room for our noontime meal. The commit-

tee is also preparing a list of local restaurants for your convenience.

Saturday evening will be our sit-down banquet. We are continuing to meet with the Chef to design appealing and delicious meals. You will select your favorite entree on your Hotel Reservation form. There will be Fish, Vegetarian, Chicken and Lamb choices to satisfy an array of taste buds!

Sunday ends with our Bagel and Lox Brunch. Los Alamos knows from bagels and lox...so we know this will be a super buffet without our having to discuss "locks" and "hard doughnuts". All the trimmings will be available to satiate your hunger pains for the ride home.

SATURDAY ACTIVITIES

There are more choices than ever, for your Saturday afternoon pleasure. And more detailed planning to insure that these activities meet your high standards.

✓ HISTORICAL BUS TOUR

We have hired a professional tour guide to conduct a two-hour historic tour of Los Alamos. Forty-six people can go on this bus. There is no additional charge, but it is by RESERVATION ONLY. Seating will be assigned based on earliest postmarks on written reservations. Help us avoid last years' crunch. Also, please give consideration to those whose health requires riding.

✓ HISTORICAL WALKING TOURS

Docents from the Los Alamos Historic Society have been retained to give walking tours of the Museum and environs. Each 8-10 people will be assigned a guide. This will take approximately one hour. Detailed maps will be available for those who prefer to do this walking tour on their own.

✓ **BRADBURY SCIENCE MUSEUM**
This wonderful "hands on" science Museum will be open for your pleasure. A special guide will be available to answer your questions. There is no charge.

✓ **ADDITIONAL IDEAS**
On your own you may like to explore nearby facilities at Bandelier National Monument,

San Ildefonso Pueblo, or the Pajarito Mountain Ski area; Or attend a local crafts fair at the Los Alamos Middle School. Or gamble at a nearby Indian casino.

✓ **LAZY. HAZY AFTERNOON**
The Hotel indoor heated swimming pool and Spa will be open to serve you. Other than the Historic Bus Tour, you may combine

any/all of these other activities into an afternoon schedule that meets your pleasure quotient.

For more information about the NMJHS 10th Annual Conference please leave a message on our voice mail: 505/989-6656.

MORE UPCOMING EVENTS:

Annual Cemetery Cleanup

AT MONTEFIORE CEMETERY IN LAS VEGAS ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, AT 10 A.M.

The New Mexico Jewish Historical Society and the Las Vegas Cemetery Committee will hold the Annual Cemetery Cleanup at Montefiore Cemetery in Las Vegas on Sunday, September 28, at 10 a.m.

As in previous years, a lunch will be provided by the Las Vegas Cemetery Association.

Before the task of cleaning up begins, there will a brief talk by Marvin Taichert, a local resident and descendent of one of the early Jewish merchants of Las Vegas. Nationally known historian Stanley Hordes will elucidate the important role Jewish merchants played in the early life of the Las Vegas community.

Everyone is invited to participate, especially those with children. This event has proved not only enjoyable for families, but reinforces a Jewish identity and a sense of community.

Those wishing to join a caravan should be at the Temple Beth Shalom parking lot (in Santa Fe) by 8:45 a.m.

For further information call:

Susan or Burt Krohn (Los Alamos) 505/662 5190
Harold Melnick (Eldorado) 505/466 2376
or Gunther Aron at 505/438 0738

... and, don't forget your garden gloves and tools.



Annual Archives Reception

IN SANTA FE ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22

Mark your calendar for the Annual Archives Reception on Wednesday, October 22, 1997, from 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. We will be holding this year's reception at the State Records Center and Archives building at 404 Montezuma for the last time. Some time early in 1998, the NMJHS Archive, will move, along with the entire state collection, over to the new building on Cerrillos Road and Camino Carlos Rey. The new facility will provide much better storage and preservation for all archival materials.

Thanks to a new agreement, we will continue our relationship with the State Records Center & Archives for at least the next five years. That is, our collection will be housed with the state records, but will remain the property of the NMJHS. This new agreement will guarantee that the NMJHS collection is covered by the same insurance and safekeeping provisions as all other state records. We are free to renegotiate this agreement at any time.

Our Annual Archives Reception will feature historic materials from the Rubins in Raton, N.M., the retail clothing store founded by Barney Rubin in 1916. We anticipate Leon and Kathryn Rubin will be on hand to talk about the history of the store and their family's four-generation history of life in north-east New Mexico. Kathryn serves as the "mayordoma" of Temple Aaron in Trinidad, Colorado.

We look forward to seeing you at the reception. Light refreshments will be served.

—Sharon Niederman

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

New Renewal

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: (day) ___-___-_____ (night) ___-___-_____ (fax) ___-___-_____

DUES:	<i>Individual</i>	\$ 24.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Supporting</i>	\$ 60.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<i>Family</i>	\$ 40.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Sustaining</i>	\$ 100.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<i>Individual Senior</i>	\$ 15.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Patron</i>	\$ 250.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<i>Student</i>	\$ 15.00	<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Gift</i>	\$ _____	<input type="checkbox"/>

(dues and gifts are tax deductible)

IS YOUR MEMBERSHIP EXPIRING?

To see if you are one of those whose membership has expired or is about to expire, check the date which appears on the bottom of your address label. If your membership has expired, please renew *now*. Fill out the above Renewal Form and return it to the Society with your check payable to NMJHS. In that way, you will continue to participate in the exciting and challenging work which the New Mexico Jewish Historical Society is doing.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

Sunday, September 28:

LAS VEGAS CEMETERY CLEANUP

10:00 am, Congregation Montefiore Cemetery,
Las Vegas

Wednesday, October 22:

ARCHIVES RECEPTION

11:30 am to 1:00 pm, New Mexico Records Center
and Archives, 404 Montezuma St., Santa Fe

Sunday, October 26 to Monday, October 27:

COMMEMORATION OF THE 500TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE EXPULSION OF THE JEWS FROM PORTUGAL

Santa Fe (details to be announced)

Friday, November 14 to Sunday, November 16:

TENTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF THE NEW MEXICO JEWISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Los Alamos