

The Warburg Project: Growing Access to Jewish Pioneers Material at the New Mexico History Museum

by Heather McClure

Tucked into the drawers, boxes, and shelves at the New Mexico History Museum (NMHM) are wonderful treasures and historical objects from 19th- and 20th-century Jewish Pioneers. Behind the doors to the museum’s Collections Department, Helena Schutz Ilfeld’s lovely objects record a sophisticated 19th century New Mexican life. Helena was the daughter of Samuel Schutz and Frederika Siebenborn Schutz. Her father, who immigrated from Germany in 1852, started a large mercantile in El Paso. This successful merchant’s daughter met Noa Ilfeld and married him in May 1891. Their wedding was brightly described in both the *El Paso Herald* and *Albuquerque Weekly Citizen* newspapers. The young couple moved to Albuquerque and began their successful life.

Mrs. Ilfeld passed in 1957 and left her many fine objects to the NMHM’s collection. These include a silk parasol (NMHM 01039.45) to protect her from the powerful New Mexico sun, and an evening bag stitched with seed pearls (NMHM 01051.45a). Noa and Helena Ilfeld were part of a growing and thriving Albuquerque Jewish community. Noa Ilfeld was vice-president of the committee to form what became Congregation Albert in 1898.

The Palace of the Governors Photo Archives holds a black and white photograph of Wolf “Willi” Spiegelberg. In this portrait of an older gentlemen, he has a pleasant expression, wears a three-piece suit, and has a tidy, curled mustache (POGPA Negative number 050486, also available at the New Mexico Digital Collections: Willi Spiegelberg, Mayor of Santa Fe, New Mexico

1884-1886, “Palace of the Governors Photo Archives Collection”). It could be an official portrait for the City of Santa Fe, where he first served as a probate judge and then as the city’s first official mayor (1884-1886). The youngest Spiegelberg brother, Willi arrived in 1861 and learned English, Spanish, and four Native American dialects. He was a sutler (or civilian provider of goods to army bases) for Fort Marcy in Santa Fe and Fort Wingate in Gallup. He started the Second National Bank with his brothers. He was a Mason and invested his time and energy into Santa Fe civic life.

Willi met his wife, Flora Langerman, in Germany, where she was being educated. After their marriage they arrived in New Mexico in 1875. Even though no photographs of Flora are in the Photo Archives, her impact on New Mexico history remains strong. Numerous sources noted her charm and grace. She spoke French and counted Santa Fe Archbishop Jean-Baptiste Lamy among her friends. Archbishop Lamy was delighted to have someone to speak with in his native language.

The Willi and Flora Spiegelberg house on Santa Fe’s Palace Avenue is now on the Historic Santa Fe Foundation Register. When built in 1880, it was the town’s finest address and had the first piped-in gas in Santa Fe. It was a home fit to entertain the many dignitaries Flora graciously invited. She had an excellent social sense, and crossed social and cultural lines in Santa Fe to welcome, promote her husband’s business and political career, and make progress on her own civic engagement projects. She opened the first non-denominational school for girls in Santa Fe and arranged the first Jewish education classes for children.

Santa Fe’s loss was New York City’s gain when Willi and Flora moved east in 1889. They continued their good works in New York. Flora worked on several issues in the large metropolis, such as improving sanitation as a New York City Health Commission member. This was a time when diseases such as typhoid fever spread through contaminated water and another deadly flu pandemic, the “Russian Flu,” struck on New York City. Her New Mexico experience never seemed far from her mind. Flora wrote several essays about her time in New Mexico, meeting Archbishop Lamy and Governor Lew Wallace, and her early travel to the territory. Her essay “Reminiscences of a Jewish Bride of the Santa Fe Trail” appeared in two parts in the *New York Jewish Spectator* in 1937. She also donated unique Spiegelberg family documents and photographs to the Historical Society of New Mexico (HSNM) and the Museum of New Mexico in the 1930s.



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By the 1930s, Jews in New Mexico had settled in, become significantly involved with the community, built religious

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President's Column

I recently returned from a vacation in Africa having had the opportunity to travel to Zimbabwe, Botswana, and South Africa. Needless to say, it was quite an adventure, and my second trip to that part of the world. While in Cape Town traveling with a local driver, out of the corner of my eye I noticed a synagogue just off the main road back into town. I asked the driver to make a U-turn to take a closer look. We discovered



Muizenberg Hebrew Congregation, Cape Town

According to the Cape Jewish Chronicle, the last full-time rabbi retired in 1999. A new rabbi has been hired to revitalize the community, and the Congregation celebrates Friday night, and Saturday morning, with holiday services. Unfortunately, we didn't have time to visit the Gardens Shul, formerly the Cape Town Hebrew Congregation, founded in 1841 and the second-oldest synagogue in the Southern Hemisphere after Sydney, Australia's.



Temple Cornerstone

As we move into the summer, our Fall Conference Planning Team, Stan Hordes, Michael Keslin, Norma Libman, and yours truly have been working hard organizing conference sessions, panels, and keynote speakers. This year's conference, entitled, "History, Genealogy, and Genetics: Unraveling the Past and Present," will be held October 21 and 22 at the Jewish

Community Center, Albuquerque. More information is available on our website, www.nmjhs.org. Conference registration materials will be mailed and posted, on our website, approximately September 1st. Keynote speakers include Rob Martinez, New Mexico State Historian, and Bennett Greenspan, noted Jewish genealogist and DNA expert. **SAVE THE DATE!**



*NMJHS President
Linda Goff*

Our membership numbers remain strong, but we encourage you, our best ambassadors, to reach out to friends, family members, and colleagues to become members and attend our speaker programs, as we move toward more in-person or hybrid events. We also plan to continue to feature individual speaker programs via Zoom, to reach a wide audience, not only in New Mexico but also across the U.S.

Have a fun summer! ☆

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institutions, and devoted themselves to improving New Mexico. Having arrived first by wagon train on the Santa Fe Trail, then by the railroad (starting in 1860), they had survived and thrived. Solomon Spiegelberg arrived in 1846, during the Mexican Republic's waning years in Nuevo Mejico, and his family stayed through the Territorial Period's tumult. By the time statehood arrived in 1912, several prominent Jewish families had returned east.

However, many Jewish families, like the Seligmans, came for opportunity and stayed to make significant progress in New Mexico politics. Arthur Seligman worked his way from positions on county, territory, and state committees for the Democratic Party, to being elected Santa Fe mayor (1910-1912), to the highest office in the state. He was elected governor in 1931, and served until his death in 1933, during his second term.

The extensive Arthur Seligman scrapbook collection (AC166) at the Chávez Library documents his social and political work during his gubernatorial terms. When you see the pages and pages of invitations you realize that governors are called upon to represent their state all over the nation. One Seligman scrapbook includes an invitation from the Mayor of San Francisco, Angelo J. Rossi, to the Golden Gate Bridge groundbreaking, and an invitation from the Goodyear-Zeppelin Corporation to attend the christening of the United States Airship Macon in Akron, Ohio, both events in 1933. At the Depression's height, Seligman was noted for a steady hand with finances and getting the state out of financial rough spots.

In another scrapbook, a November 14, 1930, article from *The American Hebrew* goes into complimentary detail about Governor-elect Seligman, noting that he

started his political career at age 12 when he edited, published, and sold his own newspaper, *The Evening Star*. His rise in Democratic politics from county commissioner, to mayor, to governor was accompanied by a banking career and an enthusiasm for flying. County Commissioner Seligman managed to extract Santa Fe County from a major financial crisis regarding railroad bonds. Governor Seligman's official papers reside at the New Mexico State Records Center and Archives, as a politician's official papers usually do, to record the state's business. However, a dedicated secretary put together these 16 volumes to show the day-to-day social and public pulls on a governor's time, along with newspaper clippings to capture immediate responses to the governor's actions.



*Ifeld Family Photo Collection
Image no. 129, Studio portrait
of Charles Ifeld. "Courtesy State
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All these treasures and more can be found at the expansive NMHM. New Mexico's Jewish history comes alive at the museum in the Exhibits, in the Object Collections, in the Library, and in the Photo Archives. All these materials are available for research. Many Jewish Pioneer family members joined the nascent HSNM, where they played a key role in preserving their home's objects and documents. Men from the Felsenthal, Staab, Elsberg, and Seligman families were early Historical Society members and donated objects. Flora Langerman Spiegelberg's obituary, notes that she was a life HSNM member. The HSNM collected objects before the Civil War, when they disbanded, and then reformed and returned to their collecting activities in 1880. They collected materials until 1930, when their collections were turned over to the Museum of New Mexico. Many items

in Chávez Library remain from those early collecting efforts and still contain their HSNM bookplate. This thoughtful collecting was key to holding, appreciating, and building the historical record, now museum collection cornerstones. In the 21st century, the NMHM is poised to return the favor by growing and highlighting Jewish Pioneer historical objects and memories.

Through a generous gift from Sue and Felix Warburg, the NMHM is strengthening its collections and information about Jewish Pioneers and expanding related educational programs. The *Sue and Felix Warburg Collection in Honor of Willi and Flora Spiegelberg* initiative is anchored in the New Mexico Jewish Pioneer experience between 1820 and 1920, but extends to address this community's social, political, economic, and religious context and their history in the region.

Sue and Felix Warburg made it their avocation to foster 19th-century Jewish New Mexican history. In addition to a full career working in California government, the Warburgs devoted themselves to carrying on their family legacies of preserving and promoting Jewish-American history. Frieda Schiff Warburg donated the Felix Warburg



*Willi Spiegelberg, Mayor of
Santa Fe, New Mexico 1884-1886*

mansion in 1944 to become the Jewish Museum in New York City. Sue Warburg was related to Willi Spiegelberg and Flora Langerman Spiegelberg. More recently, Felix and Sue Warburg led New Mexico Jewish history tours and guest-curated the *Jewish Pioneers of New Mexico* exhibition in the Palace of the Governors, on display from 2000 to 2005. The NMHM continues the Warburg's work by strengthening collections and knowledge about Jewish Pioneers and expanding related educational programs.

New museum acquisitions, supported by the Warburg Fund, will complement the

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more than 4,000 historical items related to Jewish Pioneers already in the collection, including clothing and textiles, household items, business records, photographs, and letters. These materials allow scholars and visitors to explore Jewish Pioneer daily life, traditions, and cultures, linking social, cultural, and political work reaching beyond the boundaries of the Jewish community to address core aspects of New Mexico's varied cultures and religious spheres.

Several upcoming projects at the NMHM relate to Jewish Pioneers and their families. They include the exhibit *Silver and Stones: Collaborations in Southwest Jewelry*, now open in the Palace of the Governors. The exhibit showcases a jewelry collaboration between merchant William C. Ilfeld and Diné (Navajo) silversmith David Taliman. William Ilfeld, Charles Ilfeld's grandson, carried on the successful mercantile family business in Las Vegas, New Mexico. The jewelry collaborations carried beyond Northern New Mexico, with pieces reaching East Coast department stores. High-quality Diné silverwork was applied to distinctly non-Southwestern themed designs, such as lobsters and seahorses. William Ilfeld took jewelry samples to buyers on the East Coast and encouraged them to come to New Mexico to see the silversmithing process in-person, promoting New Mexico's arts and culture.

This summer, another round of research grants will be available. Designed to increase the scholarship canon on Jewish Pioneers, these \$5,000 project grants encourage new research on the rich New Mexico Jewish Pioneer history. Also, last year's grant award winner will speak about his research on merchants in the United States-Mexico borderlands.

Thanks to the Warburgs, the NMHM can actively seek objects, documents, and photographs to build existing collections. Current collection items can be assessed and conserved for long-term preservation. In addition to the current Jewish Pioneer materials on display in the museum's permanent collection, *Telling New Mexico*,

and available for research, comes a new opportunity for people around the world to see, experience, and research Jewish Pioneers materials. In 2023, the museum debuts a digital asset management system, making a growing body of Palace of the Governors Photo Archives images and Chavez Library documents available to anyone with access to the Internet. Thanks to Felix and Sue Warburg, Library and Photo Archive Jewish Pioneer materials will be digitized and accessible. By 2024, anyone will be able to flip through letters, scrapbooks, ledgers, and photographs as if they were in the building. The museum cares for these digital objects as well as they care for the original objects, photographs, and documents. This is a new collection-care area for the museum, but it greatly increases the museum's reach and ensures access and long-term collection preservation and care. As the museum builds knowledge and capacity, more projects will come in education, exhibits, events, research, and collection care. The Jewish Pioneers invested time, energy, and spirit to make New Mexico grow and become the welcoming place it is. The New Mexico History Museum is proud to document this heritage and make it an important collection focus.

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2022 NMJHS Annual Report

by Linda Goff

Mission Statement:

"The New Mexico Jewish Historical Society is a secular organization that promotes greater knowledge and understanding of New Mexico's diverse Jewish experiences within a broad cultural context."

Programs:

LIFE & LEGACY Program:

NMJHS successfully reached the Year4 goal of obtaining at least six Letters of Intent toward our newly established Endowment. Again, we were the first among the 10 participating organizations to reach our goal! Year4 marks the end of the four-year active fundraising campaign. In June, NMJHS and other participating organizations will receive their Year4 \$3,500 challenge grant from the Grinspoon Foundation, which is also supported by the Jewish Community Foundation of New Mexico and the Jewish Federation. In addition, because we were so successful in the latter half of Year3, we received a \$2,000 bonus, which went to the top two organizations. Once again, we were #1! The fundraising continues, and please contact the NMJHS office for more information. We invite you to join us in ensuring our history for future generations.

The Grinspoon Foundation has now established a Life & Legacy Plus, Year5 program initiative, to encourage participating organizations to continue to build their Endowment Fund. NMJHS is participating in this program.

2022 Fall Conference:

The 2022 Fall Conference saw a return to an in-person and virtual event. The theme was "History and a Story to Tell: Cultural and Social Reflections of Jewish Life in New Mexico" and it was held in Santa Fe. Approximately 65 people attended in person and 25 joined via Zoom.

The 2022 Conference, whose theme is "History, Genealogy, and Genetics: Unraveling the Past and Present," will be held at the Jewish Community Center of Greater Albuquerque, October 21 and 22. It will be a hybrid program. More information will be available in the near future. MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW !!!!!

Special Programs:

In 2022, NMJHS hosted four standalone programs in addition to the annual Fall Conference. Our speaker programs were: "Escape from Europe" with Elsa Engelhardt, Los Alamos; "Jacob Schiff: An Honorable Jew" with Urban Historian Justin Ferate; "Sharing the Story: The Descendants of Crypto-Jews" with Isabelle Sandoval, Santa Fe, and Norma Libman, Bernalillo; and "Mystery & Myth of the Los Lunas Decalogue Stone" John Taylor, Los Lunas. Professor Avinoam Patt, University of Connecticut, served as our 2022 Annual Business Meeting speaker, "Tragedy Plus Time? Jewish History and Jewish Humor." Approximately 275 people attended these programs via Zoom and the hybrid Annual Business Meeting.

Membership:

2022 was a good year for NMJHS membership. Paid memberships numbered 305, with our goal being to sustain approximately 300 memberships. Membership dues represent one of two primary revenue sources for NMJHS, and help support, as well as allow us to expand, our programs and activities. To become a Life Member, check our website or call the NMJHS office. Your help in recruitment and retention of members is greatly appreciated!

Grants:

We completed Phase II work on the Rabbi Leonard Helman papers

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Rededication of Temple Montefiore in Las Vegas, New Mexico

by Estelle Miller with Nancy Terr

Temple Montefiore was the first Jewish congregation in New Mexico. Established in 1884, the congregation took steps to build its temple in 1886. The congregation is named after the world-famous British philanthropist, Sir Moses Montefiore. For many years Temple Montefiore was a vibrant Reform congregation of some 40 families, but over the years the Jewish population in Las Vegas decreased, and the congregation was dissolved in 1955.

The temple building eventually was sold to the diocese of Santa Fe, where it served as the Newman Center for Highlands University. Over the years the church rented the building to the Jewish community for services and other events. Nancy Terr grew up in Las Vegas and her son Neal Behrendt had his bar mitzvah at the building. Nancy Terr is a current board member of the congregation.

The process of restoring and re-sanctifying Temple Montefiore as a Jewish synagogue happened in a truly short amount of time. In August 2022, the Las Vegas Jewish Community was notified by a lawyer for the Santa Fe Diocese that the property would be up for sale if they were still interested.

Reclaiming the old synagogue had always been a dream of the Las Vegas Jewish community. They had a frenzied and well-publicized fundraising drive and were able to come to closing on September 26, 2002. The High Holy Days were celebrated in the building. The Jewish

community then coordinated with the Catholic Church, which removed their belongings and religious objects. In a brief time, heating and plumbing was installed by November. An official rededication ceremony was held on December 18, 2022, the first day of Hanukkah.



Estelle Miller



Nancy Terr

The Jewish community today in Las Vegas comprises some 30 families. Some of them relate to Highlands University, others to the medical community. Rabbis from neighboring communities have stepped up to provide Shabbat services. Over the years lay people have led services in Las Vegas.



Temple Montefiore, Las Vegas

Now that Temple Montefiore once again belongs to the Jewish community of Las Vegas Nancy Terr envisions several purposes the temple can host. First, it will serve as a place of assembly for Jews and non-Jews. There will be guest speakers, musical performances, book talks, and lectures. Hebrew

classes, which have been virtual since 2020, may resume at the Temple.

Jewish community plans for Temple Montefiore include rabbi-led monthly Friday-night services, with lay people officiating at other times. Saturdays will be

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Planning in Progress for 2023 Fall Conference

by Norma Libman



Planning has been in high gear for several months now for this year's Annual Conference, and it is shaping up to be a very important examination of Jewish genetics, ancestry, and family history, both Ashkenazic and Sephardic. The title says it all: "History, Genealogy and Genetics: Unraveling the Past and Present". The Conference will take place on October 21 and 22 at the JCC in Albuquerque.

The aim of the Conference is to bring us up to date on developments in the fields of genealogy and genetics, as well as to present personal stories to help us better understand Jewish history and culture. NMJHS President Linda Goff says, "Genealogy, Genetics/DNA testing, and researching family trees have become very popular among many people, including Jews. Here in New Mexico, this interest has taken on a new dimension, especially among Hispanics. They are now able to trace what turns out to be their Sephardic roots, which were often hidden by choice or lost over several generations. Ashkenazi Jews also have undertaken extensive research, not only to discover family histories, but also for genetic reasons. Ashkenazi women, for instance, search to discover if they carry the (BRACA) gene, and now it has been discovered, through research done in Northern New Mexico and Southern Colorado, that families with Sephardic roots may also carry that gene. This year's Fall Conference will focus on these very topics via genetic research, historical records, and personal perspectives."

Former State Historian and a NMJHS founder, Dr. Stanley Hordes, who is serving on the planning committee for the conference, said of the planned program, "This year's Fall Conference promises to be one of the most interesting in years. The program features examinations of the Black Jewish experience, as well as Hispano crypto-Jewish and Ashkenazi

German history. It will include personal stories, results of genealogical research, and hands-on tools to assist attendees in their search for their own Jewish roots."



Norma Libman

The tools provided will be, in part, a continuation and an update of the genetic and genealogical resources provided at last year's conference by Schelly Talalay Dardashti.

The conference will start with keynote speaker, State Historian Rob Martinez, who will offer a most intriguing presentation entitled "Paper and Blood: My Journey through New Mexico's Jewish Past." We are honored to have a second keynote on Sunday, Bennett Greenspan, founder of Family Tree DNA, as well as a presentation from our own PhD Rabbi Jack Shlachter.

In addition to these individual talks, several panels will cover such topics as being Black and Jewish, discovering Sephardic pasts, and more. Sarah Leiter, moderator of the panel "Unearthing Sephardic Past in New Mexico," says, "Much of what the public knows about New Mexicans of Sephardic descent, including crypto-Jews, comes from scholars and journalists who do not have Sephardic or crypto-Jewish ancestry themselves. This panel will give conference attendees the opportunity to hear from Sephardic New Mexicans directly, to learn about their stories as told in their own voices."

The various presentations will balance research with insightful stories, all adding up to a weekend rich with meaningful experience and information. More details will be available on the NMJHS website and will arrive by mail as well. Registration begins on September 1; Early Bird rates are available until October 8th. ✧

Life and Legacy Testimonial

by Jeffrey Brown and Susan Michelson, Las Cruces

The New Mexico Jewish Historical Society, founded in 1985, is the sole statewide organization in New Mexico devoted to researching, collecting, and presenting the fascinating stories of New Mexico's Jews. It sponsors conferences, has enabled expert Zoom presentations, and arranges through its Speakers Bureau guest presentations about Jewish history in all parts of the state. It helps develop museum exhibits. It collects scholarly materials, supports research, publishes booklets with photos about Jewish families and their history in New Mexico, and conducts oral-history interviews. It publishes the newsletter *Legacy* about Jewish people and communities in our state. NMJHS

plays a truly vital role in preserving and presenting Jewish history throughout New Mexico.

The Society schedules its annual conferences in locations throughout the state. Previous conferences have included Las Vegas, Taos, Santa Fe, Albuquerque, and Las Cruces. Board members such as Frankie Lerner of Las Cruces come from all parts of the state. NMJHS has arranged joint meetings with the Texas and Arizona Jewish Historical Societies. This helps promote the understanding of Jewish history in a regional context. NMJHS has offered presentations about crypto-Jews, 19th century Jewish pioneers, and the responses of Jewish families and congregations to the challenges of the 20th and 21st centuries.

The New Mexico Jewish Historical Society funds these activities through dues, donations, and bequests; through conference registrations and booklet sales; through grants and the careful stewardship of funds; and through the Life and Legacy program. Life and Legacy plays a crucial role in promoting Jewish scholarship in this state. All funds donated or pledged to Life and Legacy go to the NMJHS Endowment and can lead to additional support from the Harold Grinspoon Foundation.

Jeff Brown and his wife Cherri Hudson-Brown, and Susan and Bill Stein, have been proud to donate their support to the NMJHS Life and Legacy program. ☆

Temple Montefiore (continued from p. 7)

devoted to educational gatherings. The congregation plans to have High Holy Day services, led by Rabbi Paul Citrin this coming September.

Temple Beth Shalom (TBS) in Santa Fe plans to return Temple Montefiore's Torah. The Las Vegas congregation is working with TBS to plan an appropriate ceremony.

The Las Vegas community is sharing responsibility for upkeep of Temple Montefiore. They have hired professionals to do technical work and are currently looking for someone to restore the exterior of the building, in particular stucco and windows. The community is continually fundraising to keep up the building. It welcomes contributions of funds or expertise.

Nancy Terr says that the Jewish community outside Las Vegas is invited to support the Las Vegas Jewish community and Temple Montefiore. She says, "You do not have to live in Las Vegas to be a 'member,' and we welcome you to attend an event, donate, or join in planning. We have a website (jewishnewmexico.com) and a Facebook page. We need your support. Much of our support comes from people around the state, not just in Las Vegas."

Nancy adds, "Come visit, help us make this place a go, and bring your ideas. We would like to establish an educational center about Jews in Northern New Mexico." ☆

Donations can be made to LVJC, P.O. Box 1231, Las Vegas, NM 87701.

Linda Goff adds: On Friday, July 7, members, and friends of the Las Vegas Jewish community gathered to celebrate Shabbat services at Temple Montefiore. Rabbi Jack Shlachter from Los Alamos served as guest Rabbi. He also leads services at the Los Alamos Jewish Center and HaMakom in Santa Fe. Approximately 35 to 40 people attended from as far as Albuquerque, Los Alamos, and Santa Fe. There was excitement in the air because of the importance and significance of the return of Temple Montefiore to the Jewish community to observe Shabbat. After the services, the Oneg was co-hosted by the New Mexico Jewish Historical Society.

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preservation project funded by the New Mexico State Historical Advisory Board.

Finances:

NMJHS total income for 2022 was \$64,340.28, including Endowment do-

nations, and expenses were \$ 55,856.15, with a net balance of \$8,484.13. Our strong financial health is due to you, our members, by way of dues and contributions, along with our Fall Conference and associated fundraising. Additional sup-

port has come from the incentive grants from the Harold Grinspoon Foundation, as part of the Life & Legacy program and our Pioneer Society donors. We are also grateful to the estate of our longtime member, Carla Freeman. ☆

LIFE & LEGACY

Assuring JEWISH TOMORROWS

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NMJHS “Pioneer” Society Donors

The following members have made their commitment to ensure our Legacy will be passed down to the next generations by contributing to our Endowment Fund. We continue to work on identifying additional participants.

Won't you join us today?

As of June 21, 2023

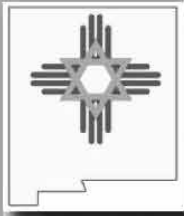
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	Cynthia & David London	Gary & Sandra Wallace
	Kathleen Kahn Mahon	Sarah Winger

NMJHS Legacy Team

Lance Bell

Linda Goff

Naomi Sandweiss



Hybrid Conference:
In person and Zoom

NMJHS ANNUAL FALL CONFERENCE

History, Genealogy, Genetics: UnRaveling the Past and Present

Albuquerque Jewish Community Center

FOR DETAILS VISIT OUR EVENTS WEBSITE
www.nmjhsevents.com

Presenters & Topics include:

- ***“Paper and Blood: My Journey Through New Mexico's Jewish Past”***
Rob Martinez, Keynote Speaker,
New Mexico State Historian
- ***“The DNA of the Jewish People”***
Bennett Greenspan, Keynote
- ***“Finding Your Own Torah: A Panel Discussion on Being Black and Jewish”***
Scott Melton
Dr. Justin Terry-Smith
Jill Anthony

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October 21 - 22, 2023

And much more!



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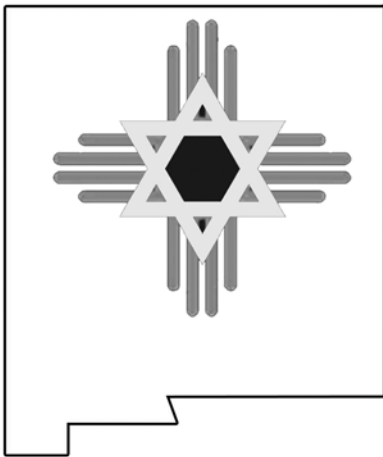
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Future Events

July 28, 2023, 6:00 p.m. NMJHS sponsors Oneg at Congregation Albert, 3800 Louisiana Blvd. NE, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87110

“A Mobster in the Family: Jewish Gangsters” Zoom.

Naomi Sandweiss, August 22, 2023, 7p.m. MDT

Annual Fall Conference, October 21 & 22. Hybrid: In person and Zoom. Albuquerque Jewish Community Center.

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