

Schedule of the Day

12:00 – 12:50 pm Lunch and Registration
 1:00 – 2:00 pm Keynote Session
 2:15 – 3:15 pm Session A
 3:30 – 4:30 pm Session B
 4:40 - 5:30 pm Join Judith Fein in a ceremonial honoring of our ancestors, and a book signing with wine and cheese.

A Taste of Honey

February 9, 2014

Session A 2:15 - 3:15

A-1 Buchalter, Harvey Say Chai to Yiddish: 18 Indispensable Words and Expressions

Yiddish words and expressions are packed with emotion, humor, anguish, and a certain indefinable quality. There's a story - and some history - behind each of them. They are mostly 'Old Country,' but a few were even minted by American immigrants. Learn them and you will never be at a loss for words. This local Yiddish scholar and translator has selected eighteen (*chai*) for you to savor. No knowledge of Yiddish is required.

A-2 Dardashti, Schelly Talalay Online Genealogy - How to Search & Record Family History

Discover numerous online genealogy websites and search engines that offer billions of records. Learn about the costs of conducting online genealogy, how to do it safely, where records may be found, and more.

A-3 Davis, Jane Jews in Jail: Why We Might Care

Jews are only .06% of the prison population, but many have to fight to be Jewish. It's this battle that compelled Jane to delve into the system to find out more. She will present art done by inmates; share their writings; tell their stories. Come inside places that are rarely accessible. You'll laugh, cry and wonder "why"?!

A-4 Karni, Shlomo Evolution of Jewish Defense Organizations: Ha-Shomer (1909) to IDF (1948)

Look back on the major Jewish defense and security groups, from the early ones in the first Jewish villages, through the Haganah, the Irgun, and the Stern Gang 'till the creation of the IDF: their ideologies, formations, actions, and contributions to the nascent state of Israel.

A-5 King, Nancy The Healing Power of Jewish Stories

Understand the origins of traditional Jewish storytelling that strengthened and helped Jews prevail over the centuries. Listen to a Central Asian Jewish story about the power of words as they sound, and about the process of healing. We will use clay to facilitate creativity while writing personal stories about healing, which we'll share and discuss.

A-6 Muldawer, Judy & Michael Jewish Songwriters of Tin Pan Alley

Explore American popular music from 1900 – 1950 with a focus on the numerous Jewish composers and lyricists who created the Great American Songbook. Handouts and a duo performance will augment the discussion.

A-7 Pack-Campbell, Andrea Your Ancestors: Old Family from Far Away

An individual has 2046 ancestors up to the 10th generation. The energy of our ancestors remains within our genetic influences whether we are conscious of them or not. Tune in to your ancestors! Their joys and aspirations are a part of us. Explore and celebrate the stories of our families.

A-8 Rubin, Gail Show & Tell: Jewish Funeral Superstitions and Traditions

Jewish traditions related to death, funerals and mourning are rarely taught in Hebrew School. In this show-and-tell class, we'll look at items used for funerals and discuss the historical, practical and ritual reasons for each. Items will include burial shrouds (tachrichim), keriiah ribbon, shivah candle, a water pitcher, a yartzeit candle, and more.

A-9 Schwartz, Paula; Tarica, Erin Moments of Mussar: Balancing our Lenses

Life's complexities emerge through the multiple lenses we bring to each of our experiences. Using the richness of the Mussar tradition, engage in conversation and meditation focused on listening to our true selves while maintaining awareness of the needs of others.

A-10 Shlachter, Rabbi Jack People of the (Cook) Book

Jewishly, are we what we eat? Explore the description of the apple (or was it a pomegranate) in the Garden of Eden. Consider the story of the lentil stew Jacob made for Esau. Ponder the kashrut status of quinoa on Passover. And, what was Maimonides' recipe for haroset? Using classical Jewish texts including the Bible, Mishnah, Talmud, Midrash and Responsa, gain fascinating insights into the eating habits of our ancestors.

A-11 Yellin, Marc The Talmud - a Page (or Two)

Welcome to the world of Talmud study. Learn what is on each page, where the components are, and why they are there. Discover key concepts, terminology, and methodologies. Identify the major Talmud portions you should know. No previous knowledge of Hebrew or the Talmud is required.

Session B 3:30 - 4:30

B-1 Brin, Rabbi Deborah The Life and Poetry of Ruth Brin

Be inspired by the poetry of groundbreaking liturgical poet, Ruth F. Brin. Rabbi Brin will discuss her mother's life and her poetry, which can be found in prayer books of the Reform, Reconstructionist and Conservative movements. Listen to poetry from Harvest and also to excerpts from Bittersweet Berries: Growing up Jewish in St. Paul, Minnesota.

B-2 Cohen, Beth Zingt zhe mir a Lidele in Yidish (Sing a Little Yiddish)

Do you love the sound and expressiveness of the Yiddish language and like to sing? Then even without musical or Yiddish knowledge, you will enjoy this class. Yiddish lyrics will be transliterated and translated on lyric sheet handouts. Listen to a few sample recordings and sing along with this experienced Chazzan.

B-3 Dardashti, Schelly Talalay Our DNA: Who Are We Really?

Understand how the use of DNA genetic genealogy connects us with known relatives and unknown branches of our family tree. The focus will be on an overview of several chromosomal tests, and how Sephardic origins have been found in numerous Ashkenazi families.

B-4 Diel, Michele A Taste of Dance

Sample the joy of community dance with a nibble of Klezmer, a nosh of Israeli, and a sip of Jewish sacred dance. If you want to learn some basic steps with variations to some old favorites or some new music, come dance with me. Beginners, intermediate, and advanced dancers are welcome. Wear soft-soled shoes please.

B-5 Fein, Judith The Spoon from Minkowitz - a Book Discussion with the Author

Reading The Spoon from Minkowitz: A Bittersweet Roots Journey to Ancestral Lands is going to bring up tears, laughter, and memories of your own family and your ancestors. You will have questions and reactions, which you'll have the unique opportunity to discuss in an intimate setting with the author. *This class is limited to 20 participants who may pre-purchase the \$18 book from the JCC by calling 348-4518. Please be sure to include a second choice for this class in case the maximum enrollment number is reached.*

B-6 Sandweiss, Naomi A Mobster in the Family: Jewish Outlaws, Gangsters & Bandits

From Meyer Lansky to Bernie Madoff, some Jewish Americans followed illegal paths to the American dream. Meet Jewish gangsters, outlaws and mobsters. Consider the historical/social context of American Jews who pursued criminal careers.

B-7 Sokolove, Sam; Barberio, Steve; Kantrowitz, Rabbi Min; Koplik, Sara Pew and Jew

The Pew Research Center's survey on U.S. Jews — the first comprehensive portrait of American Jewry in more than a decade — reveals: 31 percent of Jewish adults affiliate with a synagogue; one-third of Jews under age 32 don't identify as Jewish by religion; U.S. Jews are intermarrying at a rate of 60%; and that most intermarried Jews are not raising their kids as Jews. This conversation with "frontline" community leaders will examine the implications of these national trends in Jewish New Mexico, and what is being done locally to address shifting issues of Jewish identity and affiliation.

B-8 Tafoya, Eddie The Whole of Western Comedy is a Footnote to Harpo, Groucho and Chico

Enjoy reviewing the influence of the Marx Brothers on American humor via film clips, reflections and discussion led by a local author, instructor and comedian. Learn about their humble beginning as sons of Jewish immigrants who hustled their way to the Yiddish theatre, Vaudeville stage and beyond.

B-9 Taylor, John The Los Lunas Mystery Stone

A large boulder inscribed with the Ten Commandments written in Paleo-Hebraic was "discovered" in a remote part of Valencia County in the 1930's. How did it get there? Who wrote it? Explore various explanations of this most interesting artifact.

A Taste of Honey February 9, 2014 Registration Form

All proceeds will be strictly designated to cover costs, provide scholarships and maintain "A Taste of Honey" as an annual New Mexico event. Please send this form with your check, payable to: Jewish Community Center "ATOH" (or pay by credit card using this form) and mail or bring to: JCC, 5520 Wyoming Blvd NE, Abq, NM 87109

PLEASE RETURN BY JANUARY 31, 2014 for early-bird price.
 Ticket Prices: \$25/by 1/31/14, \$30/after 1/31/14.

Name: _____ Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone: _____ Email: _____

Participant 1: _____		Participant 2: _____	
Session A:	Session B:	Session A:	Session B:
1st Choice _____	1st Choice _____	1st Choice _____	1st Choice _____
2nd Choice _____	2nd Choice _____	2nd Choice _____	2nd Choice _____

BOXED LUNCH: Lunches are available for \$10 prepaid for your convenience from the JCC's cafe, Rhubarb & Elliott. Lunches include sandwich, chips, cookie, and beverage. Other items available at the cafe. Please indicate your choice and quantity:
 _____ Tuna Salad _____ Egg Salad _____ Veggie

Total Registration \$ _____ + Total Box Lunches \$ _____ + Donations \$ _____ = **TOTAL ENCLOSED** \$ _____

CREDIT CARD (circle one): Visa Master Card AmEx Disc #: _____ Exp. _____ / _____ Signature of Cardholder: _____ Name on Card: _____



Register by January 31st for the early-bird price. Then come enjoy stimulating conversations and discussion, and learn a NEW thing or two! Prompt registration is encouraged because space is limited, and some presentations will fill quickly. Indicate your first and second choices on the registration form. If you are able, contributions above the 'ticket price' are greatly appreciated and help ensure the continuity of this unique and valuable program.

For more information contact Phyllis Wolf: phyllisw@jccabq.org, 505.348.4500

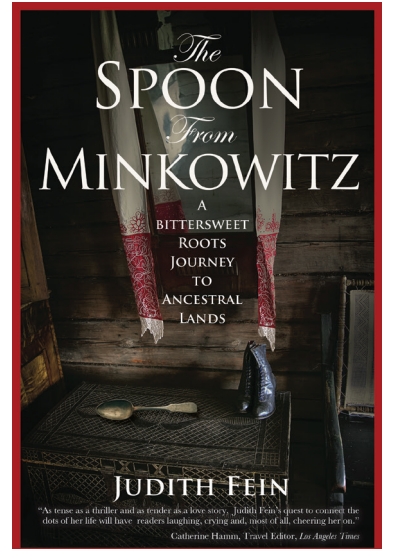
1:00 - 2:00 pm Keynote Address by Judith Fein



The Roots Beneath Our Feet - Discovering Our Ancestors in Ourselves

Award-winning international travel journalist, author and blogger Judith Fein is launching her new book, *THE SPOON FROM MINKOWITZ: A Bittersweet Roots Journey to Ancestral Lands*. Be prepared to laugh, be moved, challenged and inspired as Judith reveals insights and shows photos from her own recent journey to Russia and the Ukraine. With great intellect, humor and heart, she shares the world left behind by our ancestors, who seemingly passed into oblivion. But Judith discloses the secrets of how our ancestors still live within us, and how they continue to impact and influence our lives.

Violin accompaniment provided by **Beth Cohen**, chazzan / music director of Nahalat Shalom. **Klezmerquerque** (2/14-2/16) organizer.



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Jewish Learning at its Sweetest!



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Welcome to the 11th annual A Taste of Honey, the Jewish community's annual, exciting, social, cultural and educational event that offers an opportunity to savor Jewish life at its best. It brings together all of the New Mexico community to explore our understanding of Judaism and the Jewish experience. In that spirit, this year's program features myriad topics ranging from the religious and intellectual to the spiritual and physical. We are offering a diverse group of presenters, beginning with a keynote address by author and travel writer, Judith Fein of Santa Fe.

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