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## Academy to Celebrate 10th Birthday



Barry Farber  
(N.Y. Post photo)

Barry Farber, nationally syndicated radio talk show host and commentator, will recall his boyhood years growing up Jewish in the South at the Hebrew Academy's Tenth Birthday Dinner, to be held at Temple Israel on Sunday evening, April 27th.

Charlotteans often have heard Farber spin his memories into intimate and colorful 90-second radio spots he calls "Footnotes." "Footnotes" is carried in Charlotte by WSOC-Radio during the week at 7:55 a.m. Farber also is heard on WSOC on Saturday night from 8 p.m. until 11 p.m.

Farber's talk will be preceded by a cocktail reception and dinner. The evening is open to a limited number of patrons. Patron tickets, \$100 per couple, are tax-deductible. Early reservations may be made by calling Dr. Stephen Fishman, Academy President, at 537-0220.

In addition to celebrating the 10th birthday of the day school, the dinner will also honor Rabbi Sandy Tucker, Academy director since 1976, who is leaving Charlotte this summer to make aliya to Israel.

Farber, now a resident of Manhattan, was born in Baltimore on May 5, 1930. When he was four years old his family moved to Greensboro where he

attended Temple Emanuel. At UNC-Chapel Hill Farber was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and was a member of Phi Lambda Phi, a Jewish fraternity.

Farber went to the Austria-Hungary border in 1956 after the Hungarian Revolution to cover the refugee exodus and report on the uprising. That same year, he got his first break on radio when he appeared on the Tex and Jinx Show in New York. He has been a radio entertainer ever since, coming to WMCA in 1977.

As a news correspondent Farber was on the scene in Cuba in 1959, right after Batista fled and reached Havana even before Fidel Castro. He was the first American free-lancer into the Soviet Union (1956) and has written major stories from the Soviet Union on many subsequent occasions.

Farber has not only been a political observer but has also been active in politics. In 1970 he ran against Bella Abzug for a seat in the House of Representatives. Farber received 48% of the vote as a Republican, even though his west Manhattan district normally votes 80% Democratic. In 1977 Farber narrowly lost the Republican nomination for mayor of the City of New York but ran as a candidate of the Conservative Party in a lively campaign.

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## Federation Campaign 1st To Top '79 Total

In the 12 months of 1979 the Charlotte Jewish Community raised \$510,300. In the first 3 months of the 1980 Campaign the total exceeds \$540,000. This makes Charlotte the first community in the nation to exceed its 1979 campaign. Even more important, the 1980 pledges are 26% ahead of the same cards for 1979.

The first announcement of this achievement was made January 27 at a VIP dinner for donors of \$1000 and over. Through the generosity of Paul Ostrow, the entire facilities and staff of Cafe Eugene were made available for this evening of honoring and celebrating.

The campaign is still far from over. The expected goal of over \$600,000 grows more attainable with each day. Alvin Levine and Shelton Gorelick, co-chairpersons of the Men's Division have set a date of March 15 for completion.

"We urge everyone to join in this outpouring of generosity. The Charlotte Jewish community is a beacon for the Jewish communities of the United States. We are first in campaigns this year and first in our Community Plan concept," said Alvin Levine, "I know that every Charlotte Jew should and will be part of these monumental accomplishments."

## Five Attend Young Leadership Conference

A delegation of 5 Charlotteans participated in the 2nd National Young Leadership Conference in Washington February 24-26. They were Paul Edelstein, Mike and Sara Schreiber, David Swimmer and Larry Farber. This major event on the national Jewish scene attracted 1500 young leaders. It was 3 days packed with intense learning, study, discussion and a spirit of unity.

Included on the agenda were major addresses by Senators and Congressmen, Israeli officials and noted academicians. Under the topics for discussion were oil and foreign policy, worldwide inflation, OPEC, alternate sources of energy,

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## Major Gifts Luncheon — Women's Division Federation

On Thursday, March 6 at 11 a.m., the Women's Division of Charlotte Jewish Federation will hold its Major Gifts Luncheon for women who pledge a minimum of one hundred dollars. Co-chairwomen Ann Abel and Florence Jaffa have planned a champagne brunch at the home of Mary Wojnowich, 925 Sumac Drive.

The guest speaker is Lily

Nesher. Mrs. Nesher is a former member of the Israeli Foreign Ministry and was born and educated in Besarabia. She fled to the Soviet Union in 1941 when Hitler invaded that city. She has studied languages and history at the University of Uralsk. In 1946 Mrs. Nesher decided that her fate lay with the survivors of Hitler's holocaust so she joined the un-

## Complex Update



Al Levine, Mark Bernstein, Leon Levine and Herman Blumenthal looking over letters of intent. For story and more pictures see page 5.

## Academy Gains Permanent Charter



Rabbi Sandy Tucker and Dr. Steven Fishman admire Charter. (photo by: Mike Shapiro)

The North Carolina Hebrew Academy recently reaped the rewards of its long pursuit of educational excellence in its Judaica program. The Academy has joined the select ranks of those Solomon Schechter Day Schools awarded their permanent charters from the United Synagogue of America, the parent body of the Solomon Schechter Day School Association.

The award, a beautiful plaque currently gracing Rabbi Tucker's office, represents the cumulative efforts of many people, both lay and professional, to provide the Charlotte Jewish community with Jewish education of the highest quality. The

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charter was presented to the Academy at the recent Biennial Convention of the Solomon Schechter Day School Association held at the Brandeis School on Long Island, New York.

Rabbi Tucker represented the Academy at the convention and accepted the award for the Academy. The charter is signed by Dr. Morton Siegel, Director of the Commission on Jewish Education of the United Synagogue of America; and by Joseph Lorch, President of the Solomon Schechter Day School Association.

the absorption of newcomers to the newly born State. She joined the Israeli Foreign Ministry at the termination of her army service. She had several governmental missions abroad, among them three missions to the Soviet Union, the last just before the Yom Kippur War.

For further information concerning the brunch call Marilyn Shapiro at 366-5866.

—Ruth Kossove

