

CHARLOTTE YIDDISH INSTITUTE AT WILDACRES

Little Switzerland, North Carolina

Sponsored by the

Jewish Community Center of Charlotte, N.C.

April 25 - 28, 1985

We proudly announce the seventh annual Charlotte Yiddish Institute at Wildacres. The Institute is open to men and women devoted to furthering their knowledge of Yiddish and in enriching their cultural ties with a language that is distinctive and humorous, expressive and intriguing.

Wildacres, a mountaintop retreat of 1,400 acres in the heart of the Blue Ridge Mountains of Western North Carolina, is dedicated to the betterment of human understanding. The facilities, operated on a non-profit basis, are administered by the Blumenthal Foundation.

INSTITUTE FACULTY: Miriam Kressyn and Seymour Rexasite, reknowned stars of the Yiddish stage, screen and radio. Jacob Blank, lecturer, teacher, former cultural director of Camp Boiberik.

FEATURES: Lectures; concerts; workshops; daily and Shabbat services; gift shop; nature walks; and a wonderfully warm atmosphere of Yiddishkeit.

FEES: Covering tuition, room, meals and gratuities: \$125 per person (double occupancy only. Rooms located in two main lodges). A deposit of \$30 must accompany each reservation. No refund of deposit unless cancellation is made prior to April 11. Balance of tuition must be paid in full by April 18.

OPENING SCHEDULE: Thursday, April 25
3 - 5 p.m. - Arrival and Registration
6:30 p.m. - Dinner
7:45 p.m. - Evening Minyan
8:15 p.m. - Evening Program
Institute in session until Sunday, April 28, 11 a.m.

INFORMATION: Contact Baila Pransky, Coordinator: 704-366-5564 or Lyba Pollard, Reservations/Transportation: 704-366-7846.

RESERVATION APPLICATION

1985 Charlotte Yiddish Institute at Wildacres
Please enter reservations for _____ persons listed below, for the 1985 Charlotte Yiddish Institute at Wildacres, April 25 - 28, 1985.
Deposit enclosed \$_____ (\$30 per person, balance to be paid in full by April 18).
Full payment enclosed \$_____ (\$125 per person).
NAMES IN ENGLISH AND YIDDISH:

ADDRESS _____

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Make checks payable to: Charlotte Yiddish Institute-Jewish Community Center. Mail checks and reservations to: Charlotte Yiddish Institute, Charlotte JCC, Box 13369, Charlotte, NC 28211.

NOTICE

The Charlotte Yiddish Institute announces a limited number of full and partial scholarships for the Charlotte Yiddish Institute at Wildacres, Little Switzerland, N.C., April 25 - 28, 1985, available to full time students and young couples.

To apply, submit written requests to the Charlotte Yiddish Institute, Charlotte JCC, Box 13369, Charlotte, NC 28211.

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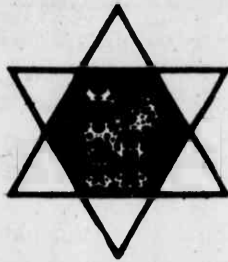
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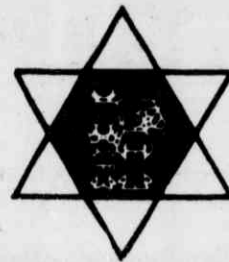
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The 3-Ring Academy Circus

By Ilan Weinglass

"Ladies and gents, children of all ages, welcome to the greatest show on earth, the circus!"

This is what was said on March 12 and 13 at the North Carolina Hebrew Academy. Why just have a circus at the Coliseum, when the school could have its very own circus, right at the Academy. And oh, what a circus it was!

It was complete with a ringmaster wearing a cape and top hat, our own Joshua Rubin. Ringmaster Rubin dazzled the audience by miraculously transforming a green and yellow handkerchief to a red and blue hanky. To this day nobody has figured out the trick.

The cute faces behind the clown faces belonged to Ilana Klein and Colee Curtis, and the beautiful dancing girls were Leah Pickholtz and Rachel Stein.

All the children took turns being lions and lion tamers, (particularly enjoyed by Philip Berman, Philip Schreiber, and Danny Gromet). All loved sticking out their trunks for the elephant march.

Children also did circus acts, like walking on a balance beam, a full (gasp!) 3/4 inches off the ground! The "animals" did tricks such as going through hula hoops.

The best part of the morning was the great tasting popcorn "sold" and eaten by the kids.

The children are reading poems and stories about circuses and are currently writing and illustrating a book called, of course, "The Circus." It includes stories and pictures about the circus.

A Visit At Clemmons



At a recent trip to the Blumenthal Home, kindergartners and 1st graders performed songs for the Purim program.



Students also enacted the stories of the Jewish prophets. Shown are Florie Straz (l.) and Philip Bernhardt.

The experiences and problems of Israelite judges and kings were the subject for a play performed by children of the Hebrew Academy for residents of the N.C. Home for the Aged in Clemmons.

As storyteller Elissa Cohen narrated, the ancient characters were brought to life in rhyme and song. Joshua (Seth Pickholtz) and the spies (Florie Straz and Philip Bernhardt) recounted their initial investigation of Canaan and met with the shrewd Rahab (Shara Steiner) who, believing that her people's strength was no match against the power of the Israelite God, wanted to be on the winning side and, therefore, gave them all the information they needed to conquer Jericho.

The challenge of dealing with the enemy groups, such as the Midianites (played by Dror Lewey) was met courageously by the judges, Devorah (Deborah Massachi), and Gideon (Joey Lambert), who was convinced by a mysterious messenger (Sara

Seiferheld) to be a military leader.

The mighty Samson (Sloane Muller) appears to warn the people that their desire for a king is shortsighted but, of course, the next people to arrive on the scene are Saul and David. The sad tale of Saul (Michelle Straz) was followed by the happier tale of the beloved King David (Marc Gordan), and there the saga ended.

Since these stories come from the book of Prophets, our characters naturally walked through the pages of a book prepared by Andy London and Coralia Lewey, each page turned by student Mischa Fuerstman.

Our younger children delighted in singing about clowns and queen Esther and in participating with all the children in making Hamantashen as a Mishloach Manot gift for residents of the Home.

We are a people of traditions, and this five-year tradition of Purim participation at the Home is surely one of the most important.

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