

Charlotte Jewish Federation

Leadership Development Program Opens

With over 40 participants, the Leadership Development Program for the Charlotte Jewish community, sponsored by the Federation, held its orientation meeting on January 11.

Chaired by Dr. Paul Putterman, Federation Vice President, nominations to the program were submitted by the presidents of the institutions and organizations. The criteria for nomination included leadership ability and interest in long term community involvement.

Over the next year and a half, the group will meet monthly to learn about and discuss local, national and world-wide Jewish issues. They will serve as participant observers on



Participants at orientation meeting.

boards and committees, and they will journey together to national meetings and to Israel.

The goal of Federation in establishing the program is to promote the development of future leaders in every institution and organization. In the

spirit of Shalom Park, this program will forge firm understanding and relationships between the participants as individuals so they will have a basis for working together in mutual concern for the future of the Jewish community.

Volunteer of the Month

Within a month of her arrival last fall, Soral Eglowstein had already made herself into an irreplaceable asset to the Federation and the community.

Participants in Shalom Y'all, the Federation Newcomers Program, alerted the Executive Director to her presence and her skills.

"She is a full charge book-keeper and executive secretary who is looking to get involved," they said.

And that is just exactly what she is and what she has done. When asked about giving time in the office, Soral accepted immediately and, from that time to this, she has put in a minimum of 2 full days a week.

Her abilities and her com-



Soral Eglowstein

petence have made it possible for her to be assigned the widest variety of tasks with the knowledge that she will get them done the right way.

Moreover, her gentle, warm smiling personality has been a calming influence during the rigors of the FEDERATION/UJA '87 CAMPAIGN.

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Federation articles and doing much of the photography of Federation, Foundation, JCC and other institutional activities.

He has seen presidents come and go... he served with Sol Shapiro, Mark Bernstein, Ben Jaffa Jr. and Bob Abel (JCC). With the Federation, the following were presidents with whom Marvin served: Herman Blumenthal, Paul Stewart, Morris Speizman, Harry Lerner, Richard A. Klein, Stan Greenspon and Ron Katz. He worked with the following presidents of the Foundation: Herman Blumenthal, Alvin E.

Levine and Mark Bernstein.

Besides his professional positions, Marvin has been deeply involved with the Charlotte Yiddish Institute, Beth El V'Shalom Wildacres Retreat, BBYO, etc. He will certainly be missed for his entertainment prowess... in case you didn't know, he "strums a mean guitar."

The general community has gained tremendously from Marvin's involvement. He has served as the Jewish co-chair of the NCCJ, has been a WTVI membership drive trainer for volunteer callers, a guest auctioneer for WTVI, served as United Way vice

president at large, Jewish co-chair of N.C. Land Stewardship Council, and was on the board of Friendship Trays. Presently, he is president of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Development Assoc., chair of Irwin School committee, an instructor for the Chamber of Commerce Leadership School and also teaches at the Consolidated Hebrew High School.

How does he do all that he does? Marvin, himself, in a recent article about volunteers said: "They say if you want something done you should ask a busy person."

With Marvin leaving, we

will also be missing the Bienstock family. His wife Gail certainly has left an impact within the community. She also has been active in many ways. She has served in many key positions of Women's Division of The Charlotte Jewish Federation, notably as co-chair and president for several years in the late '70s and early '80s. At the Wildacres Temple Retreats she has given of her expertise in the various programs; along with her husband she has kept the groups on their toes.

During the time that they have lived in Charlotte, Darcy,

their lovely daughter, was Bat Mitzvahed at Temple Beth El and she graduated last year from East Mecklenburg High School. Jordan, their son, was born in Charlotte. An extremely bright nine-year-old, he is destined to be a leader like his parents.

In the meantime, we have until the end of June to really say our "goodbyes" and to do a follow-up on the "man of many talents." For those of you who have never met or had the opportunity to get to know Marvin, you still have time. He is truly a "Lamed Vovnik."

Meet Some of Our Newest Newcomers



(L to R) Lisa Shporer, Fred Shporer, Glorie Levinson, Susan Epstein.



Lori and Barry Wertheim



Fran Rosenberg (L) and Susan Bergelson



Gene Zhiss (L) and Vic Bergelson



Vivian and Len Jacobs

(Ed. note: To get to know more about those pictured and others, turn to page 8).

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