

Our Organizations

- B'nai B'rith Women - Charlotte Chapter



(L to R) Shirley Fytelson, treasurer, and Beth Linderman, administrative vice president, welcoming new member, Aline Lorber, at paid-up membership luncheon.

On March 4, at Temple Beth El, Charlotte Chapter hosted its annual paid up membership luncheon. After a delicious potato and salad bar, 64 members witnessed the presentation of the 1985-86 Sidney G. Kusworm award by Peggy Gartner, Mid-Atlantic Regional Chair. This coveted award is given out nationally to one BBW chapter and one BB Lodge. In the past eleven years Charlotte Chapter has won this award four times.

We then witnessed Susan Coen, membership vice president, induct 34 new members into our Chapter and recognized Betty Silver, Blanche Jaffa, Baila Pransky, Beth Linderman and Margie Liebstein as new Life Members. A \$250 one time commitment to BBW entitles you to become a

member for life. It is a contribution of your commitment to the continuation of our organization.

Our program featured Lindsey Ashcraft of "Double Take" showing us how simple scarves and other accessories make the fashion statement of the day.

Charlotte Chapter will once again join with many other volunteers in our community to help with Special Olympics and Children's Miracle Network Telethon. If you are interested in participating in either of these worthwhile projects call Janine Rosner, 366-5631, for Special Olympics or Margie Liebstein, 541-1844, for the Telethon.

-Tobey Silber

Ha Lailah

Hunter House

The annual baby shower was held at Hunter House on March 18. The five girls living there received gifts ranging from clothes, stuffed animals to a crib, which were ecstatically accepted. It was a wonderful evening made possible by the enormous generosity of HaLailah women. If you are interested in being part of this event in the future call Linda Spil, 541-0386.

March Meeting

Kathleen McClain, religious editor of *The Charlotte Observer*, spoke to our members at the home of Sue Brodsky. Ms. McClain gave us a unique insight to the plight of the Soviet Jew as seen from the non-Jewish perspective.

Raffle

The 9th Annual Membership Raffle will be held on April 17. The 1st prize is a one year membership to the JCC; 2nd prize, a 1987 JCC class of your choice; 3rd prize, 1987 Entertainment Book. Cost of tickets are a book of 13: \$10; single ticket: \$1. Tickets are available at the JCC office or from any HaLailah member or by mailing your check payable to BBW to Lizzann Taylor, 900 Sardis Ln., Charlotte, NC 28226.

-Marty Gerber

Downpour Does Not Stop Soviet Jewry Rally



(L to R) AZA members, Al Rousso and a member of the media on steps of City Hall.

Soviet Jewry Rally

On the evening of Feb. 26, amidst the pouring rain, members of B'nai B'rith Women, B'nai B'rith Men, B'nai B'rith Youth and guests stood together on the steps of City Hall remembering our brother and sister Jews still living in Russia. Rael Gorelick, a member of Aberman/Barak AZA, welcomed everyone and introduced Al Rousso, Charlotte Mayor Pro Tem. Mr.

Rousso delivered a meaningful and beautiful speech to those assembled and then read a Proclamation from Mayor Harvey Gantt.

As candles were lit, several people read the names of those who have been trying for years to leave Russia. Patricia Ades, a member of Chai-Chaverim BBG, closed the rally with a prayer for Soviet Jewry.

-Wendy Rosen

Hadassah Celebrates First Myrtle Wreath Event

Reserve Wed., April 29, to attend Hadassah's first annual "Myrtle Wreath Event" for Life Members.

A lovely brunch will be served at 11 a.m. at the home of Sandra Levine, Life Membership chairwoman. Guest speaker will be Jaci Segaloff, a member of the National Board of Hadassah and chairwoman of the newly created department "Career Women."

While honoring all of our life members, we will give special honors to those families who have several generations of Hadassah life members. The new life members this year will be our honored guests.

Anyone who is not as yet a life member may become one by paying \$250. For further information call Linda Segal, 372-6157.

-Linda Gottlieb

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BBW's new 20-minute slide show entitled "Creating Jewish Memories: What Do We Pass On To Our Children?" explores how we shape our Jewish values and pass on those values to our children. The documentary-style program is designed to strike a responsive chord in audiences by presenting 12 people, aged 15 to 88, who share their own Jewish memories and experiences as well as evocative photographs from their personal albums.

Photo/Roy Penny

Cake Was Chocolate And Kosher

WASHINGTON - Hidden among the findings of the Tower Commission report was new information on the cake that was taken as a gift to the Iranians by the American delegation to Tehran last May.

It was chocolate. And it was kosher.

The delegation, accompanying a planeload of weapons for Iran, bought the cake at a bakery in Tel Aviv before leaving for the Iranian capital on May 25, 1986, the report said.

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מצה זו - על שום התקנה

At the seder, we drink four cups of wine for the first four of the following five expressions of freedom declared to the Jewish People when we were slaves in Egypt:

- 1. I will bring you out from under the burdens of Egypt and I will deliver you out of their bondage and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great judgments; and I will take you to me for a people - and I will bring you in to the Land which I swore to give to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. (Exodus 6:6-8)
- 2. Tonight, when we drink the four cups, let us dedicate our thoughts to Soviet Jews.
- 3. Our work will not cease until you are brought out from under the oppressive thumb of Soviet harassment.
- 4. We will do all in our power to deliver you out of the prisons and labor camps to which you are sentenced.
- 5. Our hearts and our hands stretch out across the ocean in unending efforts to redeem you.
- 6. We pray that our labor will take you from repression to liberty.

We anxiously await the day when the fifth expression of freedom will be fulfilled:

- 7. When the Jews of the Soviet Union are brought into the land of our ancestors.

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