HaLailah Chapter B'nai B'rith Women Has Busy Fall Season

Mothers and Mavins, a gettogether for mothers in the community with children under age 2, meet the 2nd Thursday of each month. The meetings are held at the JCC (across from the babysitting room) from 10 a.m.-noon. Cost is \$1 per child. For more information call Mindy Mescan, 846-4658.

Holiday Baskets

HaLailah brightened Rosh Hashanah for 29 families in the Charlotte community. Decorative baskets were filled with wine, apples, honey, candles and home-made challahs (thanks to Penny Eisenberg). With the help of Jewish Family Services, the baskets were delivered to our elderly, shut-ins and needy. Many thanks to Meredith Glazer and her committee.

Personal Giving

Our 1987 Personal Giving Campaign was held Sept. 1 and was a tremendous success. Members and guests were treated to an elegant buffet of hors d'oeuvres and desserts. Irma Gertler, BBW's International President, spoke about the Children's Home in Israel which is sponsored by BBW, and her recent trip to the Soviet Union. Ms. Gertler, who took the trip with a contingency of Congressional wives, described her meetings with two groups of Refuseniks. It was an emotional experience.

Special Projects

On Sept. 26, the Jewish community was represented at UNCC's International Festival. Thanks go to HaLailah and the JCC who cosponsored a booth. Participants at the festival received accurate information about our cultural heritage and were able to examine items important to our religion.

The Great Pumpkin Festival, held on Oct. 31 in conjunction with The Charlotte Chamber of Commerce, was a tremendous success. Many thanks to Wendy Rosen and Maddie Joffe for cochairing the committee for volunteers; to Geri Zhiss, who cochaired the Public Relations committee, and to the 40 HaLailah volunteers whose hard work helped hundreds of children celebrate a safe and

happy Halloween.

As a fund raising project, HaLailah will sponsor a book fair in early December. In conjunction with the book fair, we are selling a Chanukah book, The Magic Dreidel. This book is part of our "create a book series" in which each book is personalized for a particular child, relating the Chanukah story to that child. The book makes an excellent gift for your child or a friend. For details call Kaye Yaffe, 541-3144 or Lauren Lassman, 846-3310.

Help Needed The United Cerebral Palsy

Center needs help every Fri. from 11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m. at the JCC to dress and hold the children in the pool for their therapeutic swim. A commitment of just once a month is all that is requested. For more information or to volunteer call Lari Massachi, 535-4747, or the UCP Center, 377-6016.

Crisis Assistance is in desperate need of blankets for the coming winter season. If you can help, please call Penny Eisenberg, 847-4037.

A dinette set (specifically kitchen chairs), a queen-sized sofa bed mattress, and a set of pots and pans are needed.

For this special project, call Trish Fleishman-Gooder, 366-2267.

Programs

A membership tea was held at the home of Linda Spil on Sept. 29. HaLailah welcomed five new members to its ranks.

The next program meeting will be held on Nov. 10 at the home of Penny Eisenberg, 9554 Hunting Ct. Penny will creating delicious Thanksgiving desserts.

-Lisa Pharr

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