

This 'n That

Tali Gurion, son of Dr. and Mrs. Zev Gurion, is a finalist in the National Merit Program for 1988. Tali, a graduating senior at Myers Park High School, has been nominated for the B.N. Duke Leadership Scholarship for Duke University. He is one of six candidates from Charlotte-Mecklenburg for this \$35,000 scholarship.

Katie Courtland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Courtland, has been named a National Merit Scholarship finalist. Katie is also a graduating senior at Myers Park High School.

Artist Paul Rouso has returned to Charlotte after an 11-year odyssey that included work as a movie set designer and art director for a major N.Y. advertising agency. Rouso, 29, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Al Rouso. He most recently has been working as a freelance artist, specializing in paintings of women. Rouso's women have been featured at a one-man show at the gallery at 119 E. Seventh St., across from Spirit Square, which ran until Apr. 3. Also shown were some pastel landscapes he does "just for fun."

Emily Zimmern has been appointed as president of Planned Parenthood; Wilma Asrael is serving as secretary of the Mecklenburg Council on Adolescent Pregnancy Board and Dr. Sam Blumenthal has been named to the board.

Larry Goldberg, tournament spokesman for The 19th Annual N.C. Scholastics Chess Championship, said that 1,330 chess games were played, ranging in length from 30 minutes to five hours. Among the local winners was Scott Kaufmann of McClintock Junior High School. Eight-year-old Michael Klein, the only N.C. member of the U.S. Chess Federation's All-American Scholastic Chess Team, ascended one level to tie for second in the fourth-grade competition. Michael, a three-year chess player who holds the highest national rating for his age, is the youngest member of the 32-student U.S. national team.

Jennifer Levenson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Al Levenson, won 5th place in the visual arts category, high school division, in the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools P.T.A.'s "Reflections" contest.

Anthony Levine, son of Fairlyn Montella and Phil Levine, a senior at South Mecklenburg High School, was recently elected cocaptain of the South Meck track team.

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Ostrows and Shapiros Underwrite Special Diabetes Research Fellowship

Two families of the Charlotte Jewish community have given their support to diabetes research with an innovative contribution. Joel and Cindy Ostrow and Sol and Ada Shapiro have pledged to underwrite an entire diabetes research fellowship for two years through Charlotte Benefactors For The Cure, a special project of Juvenile Diabetes Foundation International (JDF). The fellowship will be named The Ostrow-Shapiro Fund of Charlotte Benefactors For The Cure.

When asked about their gift, Ada Shapiro explained that she has seen the devastation of diabetes and knows that the answers are needed quickly. "Diabetes does not discriminate by age or background. It can strike everyone as it has our families and friends." Cindi Ostrow commented, "We look at our healthy children and realize that others deserve the same opportunities."

Because Sol's mother died from complications of diabetes and the recent loss of Sol and Joel's friend, Bernard Richter, also to complications of diabetes, it made it even more urgent that they put into effect their desire to support the research into the causes, complications and cure of diabetes. When pledging their gifts, Joel Ostrow and Sol Shapiro said that their families wanted to fully fund a research grant to ensure that expert work could be done in a short period of time. "The work of Roz Greenspon has influenced us to make this commitment. We have seen how the research



Cindi & Joel Ostrow



Ada & Sol Shapiro

dollars are being used."

In September 1988, the research recipient of the Ostrow-Shapiro funded fellowship will be chosen by the Medical-Science Advisory Board of Juvenile Diabetes Foundation International and announced in various national publications along with other JDF funded research.

Charlotte Benefactors was started in 1984 by Roz Greenspon who in 1971 founded the Charlotte JDF chapter. When discussing the Ostrow-Shapiro gift, Mrs. Greenspon said, "These families have set a remarkable example and a new precedent for diabetes research funding through Charlotte Benefactors. Sol and Ada, Joel and Cindi are shar-

ing their generosity with millions of others." The Benefactors project is supported with major gifts from corporations and individuals throughout the Charlotte/Mecklenburg community. In its 3½ years of existence through Juvenile Diabetes Foundation, more than 35 Benefactors have contributed nearly \$100,000 which has funded six research grants, one of which was chosen for publication in the prestigious medical magazine, The New England Journal Of Medicine.

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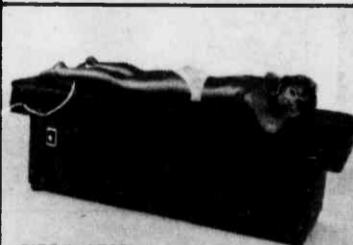
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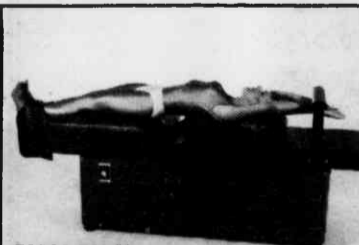
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