

Our Organizations

Charlotte B'nai B'rith Women

Congratulations are in order for Charlotte Chapter! We are once again, for the third year in a row, the recipients of the coveted 1988 Sidney G. Kusworm Award, given by B'nai B'rith International to the most outstanding chapter in community volunteer service. An award presentation will take place next year, hosted by a regional official.

Charlotte BBW is also excited to be a sponsor of the Soviet Jewry Rally to be held Dec. 11 at 7 p.m. at Shalom Park.

Fall Special Olympics Bowling took place Nov. 4 at Centennial Lanes. There to help score and cheer contestants on

were Janine Rosner, Beth Linderman, Ailene Lorber, Bussie Goldberg, Margie Liebstein, Helen Rosenbaum, Ruth Goldberg and Bernice Rousso.

Charlotte Memorial and Presbyterian hospitalized children received decorated styrofoam "pumpkins" on Halloween, thanks to Helen Rosenbaum, Valerie Blumenthal, Elaine Olshan and Thelma Levy. Extra pumpkins were also given to the children at Arosa House.

We plan again this year to provide the Arosa House children and their families with a Thanksgiving dinner. Nancy Blacker, 541-8835, is the chairperson for this event.

Our S.A.D.D. Event, held Oct. 27 was very informative. Thanks go to Lynda White, Beth Linderman and the panelists from area Junior and Senior High Schools who spoke on programs planned with the S.A.D.D. Chapters in their schools. A representative from Safe Drive was also present and spoke on their programs and services.

Gift Wrap has begun and WE NEED YOU! Please sign up. Any time you can give us is greatly needed. Call Peggy Rovman, 552-2010.

Visitors are welcome to all of our functions, projects and programs. Call Valerie Blumenthal, 541-3538 or Jody Pinion, 821-6811 for more information.

Eastern Region BBYO Convention

The BBYO convention of the year is coming! BBYO's annual three night/four day convention will be held Dec. 23-26 at the Airport Marriott in Greensboro. The fee for the convention is expected to be approximately \$120. Further information is being sent from the regional office to all registered BBYO members.

HaLailah BBW

Once again HaLailah brought Thanksgiving to the older adults in our community on Nov. 10. The Chai group dined on turkey with all its accoutrements. Many thanks to Jane Abel for chairing this fun event.

The Chai group will also be treated to a Chanukah luncheon on Dec. 5 at the JCC. The traditional latkes will be served. The meal will be a nice beginning to the festive holiday.

Chanukah will again be brought to 27 shut-ins, needy and elderly members of our community. Under the leadership of Karen Rasenberg, HaLailah members gathered at the home of Penny Eisenberg to fill baskets with potatoes, oil, applesauce, menorahs, candles and gifts. These decorated baskets were delivered with the help of Jewish Family Services.

On Nov. 20, The Becky Shulimson Memorial Children's Library at the JCC was dedicated. This memorial was established in memory of Becky Shulimson, a charter member of HaLailah. Donations of \$5 or more were collected for purchase of books for the library. Donations in honor or in memory of a loved one can be made


to this on-going fund by calling Penny Eisenberg, 847-4037.

HaLailah's Hunter House Project continues with a program meeting on Dec. 8. Larry Gerber will discuss budgeting and managing finances with the new mothers. The program will begin at 7 p.m. at Hunter House. The annual Baby Shower will occur in March. Donations are appreciated. Call Laura Reich, 542-2788 or Becky Goodman, 845-2758.

Short Takes

- A tea was held on Nov. 16. Thirty-six new perspective members were invited to the home of Lauren Lassman.
- HaLailah members will be participating in Charlotte Chapter's annual holiday gift wrapping fund raiser.
- More than 20 HaLailah members have already volunteered to cook for Rachel House. HaLailah is providing dinner to the residents every Tuesday night. To volunteer call Rachel Rosenfeld, 535-1955.
- On Nov. 13 members assisted Crisis Assistance Ministry in its change of headquarters. A great need exists to help sort clothing.

— Lisa Pharr



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