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Lerner and Schefflin Triumph In World Maccabiah Games

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(L to R) Alexis Lerner, Stacey Schefflin and Wendy Sacks (from Memphis) prior to opening ceremony of the Maccabiah Games.

The 13th World Maccabiah Games were held in Israel July 5-9, 1989. By the conclusion of the Games, two of our outstanding JCC athletes had left their marks. Stacey Schefflin, competing in the Women's Open Tennis Division, and Alexis Lerner, competing in the Women's Junior Swim Division, both collected numerous medals for the United States team.

Harry Swimmer, National Vice-President of the United States Sports Committee for Israel, accompanied the United States team, which consisted of 450 athletes. There were 4000 athletes from 38 countries competing in 35 different sporting events at the World Maccabiah Games. Included among this year's participants was a first-time Russian delegation entry.

In highlighting the accomplishments of our JCC athletes, Stacey Schefflin won a bronze medal in the Women's Open Tennis Division. Stacey reached the semi-finals of the singles before losing out to Israel's Ilana Berger. She also received the bronze medal in mixed doubles. Stacey's tremendous talent and charming personality endeared her to all competitors and spectators present at the Maccabiah Games.

Alexis Lerner accomplished

incredible feats in the swimming arena. Competing in the Women's Junior Swim Division, Alexis earned two gold medals in the 50/100 M free style events, two silver medals in the 200 M free style and 200 M butterfly events and two bronze medals in the 200 IM and 100 M butterfly events. Alexis' determination and enthusiasm for the competitive sport of swimming continue to drive her to greater accomplishments and performances in the world of competitive swimming.

Besides the athletes from Charlotte, David VanGlish was assistant press attache and Jamie Levine served as a chaperone of the Junior athletes. Others attending were Marilyn and Harry Swimmer, Bernice and Buddy Roberts, Neal Kronovet, Marty, Elaine and Hallie Schefflin, Harry Lerner.

We, as staff and members of the Charlotte Jewish Community Center, wish to extend our heartiest congratulations to Stacey and Alexis in celebrating their accomplishments at the 13th World Maccabiah Games in Israel. We are truly proud to have such outstanding young women representing our community and country.

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Plans for 1990 Federation Campaign Begin "Uniting the Generations" is Theme

By Dr. Paul Putterman
 Campaign Chair



Paul Putterman

The 1990 Charlotte Jewish Federation-United Jewish Appeal campaign is underway. The theme for this year is "UNITING THE GENERATIONS." Our mandate for the 1990s is concern for the Jewish family, both locally and abroad. In Charlotte, the 1980s have been a time that saw the destruction of the old Jewish Community Center, only to see the dream of Shalom Park become a reality. Jewish Family Services began with limited resources and expanded to the point where it now serves one-fourth of our Jewish population. The community is now ready to build two new Temples to be completed in the next two or three years. The 1980s have indeed seen a major change in the landscape of the Charlotte Jewish community.

In Israel and around the world, the 1980s have been a time of major events. The war in Lebanon led to division among Jews throughout the world but then we watched with pride as Israel proceeded with Operation Moses. We were astonished as more than 250,000 people marched on Washington demanding the release of our brothers and sisters in the Soviet Union. Our voices were heard as "Passage To Freedom" became a reality.

As we begin 1990, we perhaps find ourselves at a more critical and exciting time than ever as we "Unite The Generations." Our concern for the Jewish community locally translates into raising the dollars to fund all the wonderful and needed programs for our families at the "J." We need to continue to expand and serve our families that rely on Jewish Family Services as their constituency grows. The "hot" topic over the next few years will be the status of Jewish education in Charlotte, from preschool to adulthood. We will have to pay for the one thing we all consider important — a quality Jewish life for ever Jewish person in Charlotte.

We also must never lose sight of our obligation to all our Jewish family around the world. We must never forget that being Jewish means supporting the existence of Israel, our Jewish homeland, no matter what our political beliefs are and at a time when it seems that the entire world is against us. We must continue to give our support to our Soviet and Ethiopian brethren as they try to settle into their new existence. And we must never forget our obligations to care for the few remaining Jews in Eastern Europe as they live out their lives after the horrors of the Holocaust.

You will hear more about the needs and the events of the 1990 campaign in the coming months. For now, I can only ask that you remember that when it comes to supporting our Jewish family in Charlotte and throughout the world, we have no one to look to but ourselves.

Paul Putterman, the 1990 Charlotte Jewish Federation Campaign Chairman, has resided in Charlotte for the last 12 years. He has been a Federation member for seven years and has served for three years as a vice-president. In 1986 he was responsible for starting the Charlotte Federation's Leadership Development Program.

He attended undergraduate and medical school at the University of Virginia and did his residency in pediatrics at Charlotte Memorial Hospital. He practices general pediatrics in Matthews, N.C. He resides in Charlotte with his wife, Claire, and two children.

Sara Schreiber and Lynne Sheffer have assumed the responsibility of chairing Women's Division this year. They have begun to put together their team and are well on their way to another record-setting achievement.

If you would like to be part of this campaign effort, please call the Charlotte Jewish Federation, 366-5007. Look to **The Charlotte Jewish News** for information regarding events and meetings related to campaign.

New Jewish Preschool Opens

By Jody Pinion

The Charlotte Jewish Preschool, newly established through the Task Force for a consolidated preschool between Temple Beth El V'Shalom and Temple Israel, is pleased to unveil its new school philosophy and logo. The new preschool, opening its doors on Sept. 5, is dedicated to providing young children with a secure and loving environment in which to grow and develop a positive self image. The educational approach will be developmental, offering hands-on activities and using age appropriate materials which encourage creativity and self-expression. The program will integrate Judaism and Israel with day-to-day experiences and social interactions through play and directional activities. Marvell Ginsberg, Preschool Education Specialist for the Chicago Bureau of Jewish Education, has been consulted to evaluate the preschool secular and Judaic programs in late October. She will also be available to offer workshops for teachers and board members and will leave us with recommendations for better integrating these programs.

The logo, designed by graphic artist and Charlotte resident, Jo Littin Taich, portrays our most

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Seniors Feted to Party



Over 80 senior adults were treated to an early evening of food and entertainment by Phil Levine at the 3rd Annual Phil's Deli Chai party on July 30 at Shalom Park.

Each one attending received a Phil's Deli T-shirt; the ladies

were presented gifts (selected jewelry from a "grab basket") and lovely door prizes were given to the lucky winners.

After the delicious buffet and desserts, VIVA KLEZMER li-

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