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New Soviet Family Arrives in Charlotte

On November 29, our long-awaited family, Julia and Leonid Shklovsky, arrived from Leningrad via Belgium. They went to Belgium in September, 1989 on their honeymoon on a tourist visa. While being threatened with deportation back to the USSR by Belgium authorities, they received refugee status and applied for immigration to the United States.

The Shklovskys are our first family reunification since the 1970s. Leonid is the younger brother of David Shklovsky who arrived in Charlotte on May 9 with his wife Alla and five-year-old son Vladimir (Vova).

Leonid and Julia are a very ambitious young couple, eager to study and find employment. Leonid has a degree in Civil Engineering but is more interested in business than in engineering. He operated his own business in Leningrad. Julia had studied cosmetology and would like to continue this course of



Julia and Leonid Shklovsky

study at South Eastern College of Beauty Culture. Realizing that the tuition of \$3,279 for the full course is beyond her reach for now, she would like to begin with the 300-hour manicure course which is \$869. She will continue her English classes at CPCC. Leonid is also studying English at CPCC while looking for a job. He needs to begin work soon so that Julia can begin classes. Leonid understands,

speaks and writes basic survival English. He learns quickly and could be an asset to any business.

Leonid and Julia are interested in meeting people and in becoming an active part of the Charlotte community. Julia is more fluent in French than in English but understands enough to enjoy being with people. They both enjoy music and visiting art galleries.

—Soviet Resettlement Update—

By Sally Schrader
Soviet Resettlement Coordinator

It has been seven months since our families started arriving

Super Sunday Set

Plans for Super Sunday 1991, being held on Feb. 3, are well underway. The committee is comprised of cochairs Errol Cohen, Jack Levinson and Phyllis Schiffman; committee members, David Bernstein, Cary Bernstein, Andrew Bregman, Amy Hennes, Mark Gruenberg and Ellen Goldberg. Wendy Rosen, a past chair of Super Sunday, is acting as advisor to the group. The committee has adopted its own theme, "Extraordinary Times Require Extraordinary People." The day will be filled with enthusiasm and possible surprise appearances by popular personalities. The committee is divided into 7 sub-committees: publicity, administration and logistics, training, decorations and food, prizes, t-shirts, and youth education.

To volunteer, please call the Federation office, 366-5007. Come be a part of the excitement! Remember, "Extraordinary Times Require Extraordinary People." Make Super Sunday the beginning of an extraordinary year for you and fellow Jews in Charlotte, Israel and worldwide.

from the Soviet Union. Seven of the eight families who arrived this summer are still with us—the eighth, the Tsirlins, moved to New York where Inna found a job in her field.

All but one of the adults are employed (see list). Mariya Lapushin would also like to work but needs a job that does not require fluency in English or standing for long periods of time. She was a physician in Minsk and would like to work in a hospital or nursing home but would be willing to work in

a factory. Semyon Lapushin, Igor Men and David Shklovsky are employed but hope to be working as engineers in their field in the near future.

All of the families are making friends in the community. They enjoy participating in synagogue, Jewish education and JCC activities. All of the children are receiving a Jewish education either through synagogue, religious schools or Lubavitch.

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Enjoy a Breath of Spring in Feb. And Help Operation Exodus

The Southern Spring Show Gala, benefiting the Resettlement of Soviet Jews in Charlotte, is scheduled for Sunday, February 24, 7-10 p.m. The General Show, open to the public, runs from February 23 through March 3, 10 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. weekdays and Saturday, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday. The Spring Show is being held at the Charlotte Merchandise Mart located at 2500 E. Independence Blvd. Gala tickets are \$20 per person.

This year's Show will feature more than 30 spectacular gardens, 26 dazzling designer rooms and a variety of exciting new features. Plus, visitors will find the gardener's marketplace, educational programs, celebri-

ties and over 200 professional art and craft exhibitors. It's just the place to enjoy—a little early—the glories of spring.

In addition, Gala participants will have the unique and rare opportunity to view and purchase selections from the largest collection of Israeli jewelry and art in the United States and preview an informative and educational display regarding Israeli tourism. A free trip from Mann Travel will be raffled that evening. Tasty refreshments and lively entertainment will complete the festive celebration.

Individual tickets will be on sale at the Shalom Park front desk on January 10.

Federation to Hold Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the membership of the Charlotte Jewish Federation will be held on **Monday, January 21, 8 p.m.** in Shalom Park's Luski Youth Activity Center. The membership, those who paid \$18 or more to the 1990 campaign, will elect its Board of Directors of the Charlotte Jewish Federation and the Board of Trustees of the Charlotte Jewish Community Fund. Proposed slates are listed, along with an amendment to the By-Laws of the Charlotte Jewish Community Fund. Directors will then elect their officers and committee status reports will be given.

Nominations for members of the Board of Directors, officers and Board of Trustees of the Charlotte Jewish Federation and the Charlotte Jewish Com-

munity Fund, respectively, may also be made, provided they are endorsed with the names of not less than ten (10) members of the Federation and forwarded to Alan Blumenthal, Federation secretary, at least fifteen (15) days before the Annual Meeting.

In addition to the business portion of the meeting, we are fortunate to have Dr. Alon Liel, Consulate General of Israel, Atlanta Office, join us as our special guest. Dr. Liel will provide us with a current and timely briefing of the situation in the Middle East and Israel's unique position in this complex equation.

A quorum of fifty (50) members must be present in order to vote during the business portion of the meeting. Please make every effort to attend:

Nominating Committee Recommendations

Officers

President: Emily Zimmern
VP: Jared Schwartz
VP: Meg Goldstein
VP: Sara Schreiberman

Sec.: Alan Blumenthal
Treasurer: Steve Menaker
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Class of '93

Dorothy Ashendorf
Adam Bernstein
Mark Bernstein
Peggy Gartner
Joel Goldman

Jeff Gorelick
Nicki Levine
Linda Levy
Richard Osborne
Phyllis Schiffman

Class of '91

Sandy Berlin

Ken Stern

The following will continue to serve out their terms on the board: Herman Blumenthal, Robert Damsky, Doug Gentile, Aaron Gleiberman, Vicki Hopkins, Phil Joffe, Alan Kronovet, Matthew Luftglass, Moses Luski, Mattye Silverman, Evelyn Berger, Paul Edelstein, Penny Eisenberg, Shelton Gorelick, Stanley Greenspon, Hal Levinson, Lynne Sheffer and Rosalind Taranto.

Charlotte Jewish Community Fund

The following individuals have been recommended by the Nominating Committee of the Charlotte Jewish Community Fund for a three-year term (complete Board of Trustees list available upon request). This will be formally voted upon at the Annual Meeting of the Charlotte Jewish Federation scheduled for Jan. 21.

Bob Abel
Abe Luski

Marc Silverman
Bob Speizman

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Rabbi Binyomin Weiss kindles giant menorah. (See story on page 17.)

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