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New Building at Jewish Preschool on Sardis

A wonderful new year awaits the students at The Jewish Preschool on Sardis! In addition to the excitement of starting school and getting to know new teachers and classmates, the children have the distinction of being the first ones in our newly constructed building. The one-level facility has ten classrooms, ranging in size from 500 to 880 square feet. Each classroom has built-in cabinets, shelves, counters, child- friendly surfaces, and at least one bathroom. One room functions as a lunchroom, and another one is used as a multipurpose room. Administrative offices are also

located in the building. The new courtyard is the ideal place for the children to enjoy our many riding toys and trikes. Additional equipment has been added to the preschool playground, and a new toddler playground is on the drawing board, thanks to the generosity of Tracy and Larry Brown.

Of course, the most important part of the preschool experience occurs inside those beautiful new classrooms when outstanding staff members provide fun-filled activities and create valuable learning opportunities.

What lucky children! They have the newest and the best! ❖



New building at Sardis to be completed in August 2000.

The Meaningful Life Center to Sponsor Shabbaton in August

Join Rabbi Simon Jacobson for The Meaningful Life Center's Annual Summer Camping Shabbaton, August 11-13.

Rabbi Simon Jacobson's annual Woodstock summer camping Shabbaton will take place this year on the Delaware River at the Kittatinny Campgrounds in Barryville, NY on August 11-13.

Cost: Only \$150 for the entire camping weekend.

Due to the great demand, we suggest that you register now and reserve space.

You can register via e-mail:wisdomreb@aol.com or phone: 718-774-6448.

Join us for a weekend that is guaranteed to be one of the most memorable Shabbat experiences of your life! Enjoy song-filled davening; fully-catered Shabbat meals; musical entertainment on Saturday Night; spiritual insights and Torah thoughts from Rabbi Jacobson. Optional extras: Sunday river trip on the Delaware; canoeing, kayaking, river rafting and tubing; hiking and paintball shooting

Join us for an unforgettable magical experience.

The Meaningful Life Center is a non-profit organization dedicated to personal, societal and global transformation through presenting the universal wisdom of Torah as a blueprint for life. Director of the center, Rabbi Simon Jacobson, is the author of the widely acclaimed book Toward a Meaningful Life.

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The new team, and our student leadership, will be moving into our new facility sometime this fall. The excitement is growing as the new facility takes shape. As our vision for the new building becomes reality, plans are under-

way for greatly enhanced Jewish programming that the new building will allow for. It is hoped that the new NC Hillel facility will serve as a campus JCC for those students interested in Jewish life — whether on a religious, educational, cultural or purely social level. Watch for news about the dedication/celebration, and please visit us! There are still some naming opportunities in the new building available — to inquire further, please contact us at (919) 942-



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Happenings at Congregation Ohr HaTorah

In an effort to accommodate the growing number of families who attend Congregation HaTorah, additional members have been added to the board of directors. Phyllis Kerendian and Lisa Shporer have joined the existing board. The previous appointed members are Michael Molinari - President, David Cantor - Vice President & Treasurer, Dr. Eric Laxer -Secretary, Dr. Selwyn Spangenthal and Dr. Ellis Tavin. The Shul board has made a commitment to serve the members and patrons of Ohr HaTorah and will work with a goal to continue the enhancement of the congregation.

One of the modes of involving all of the congregants is the successful monthly breakfasts, as they have become vehicles through which issues are introduced and discussed.

Congregation Ohr HaTorah is an Orthodox synagogue sponsored by Lubavitch in Charlotte and is open to all those who seek a traditional or Orthodox style of worship. Recent synagogue events have drawn people closer together and have become expressive of the rejuvenation of traditional and Orthodox Judaism in the community. Shavuot and Lag B'omer were a big draw for families and singles.

On Shabbat July 1, a festive Kiddush luncheon was held to say goodbye to a long time senior member of the synagogue, Louis "Leibish" Doctor who moved up to New York to reside with his son Abraham in Staten Island. It was a moving experience to hear so many people express their sentiments honoring this wonderful human being. After being prompt-

ed by one of his friends, Mr. Doctor stood up and recited some Jewish-German poetry he had memorized during his military service in WWII. All of us wish him well in his new life in the Big Apple.

Construction of the new building on Sardis Road is progressing very well. Excitement is climbing both by staff of the preschool as well as by the parents of the preschoolers. The expected date

for opening the new facility is mid-August. The grand opening ceremony is scheduled for September 6 at 7:00 PM.

The new facility will feature many new state of the art class-rooms as well as much needed assembly space. Lubavitch will also use a small part of the facility to house its synagogue Ohr HaTorah in the interim. A larger sanctuary and social hall is planned for the future. \$\Phi\$



