

Youth Visions

CHS Student Council Hits The Mark With Chanukah Project

By Courtney Rosenthal

The Consolidated High School of Jewish Studies is proud to announce that our Chanukah gift and card project was a huge success. This project asked that our Hebrew High students bring a gift certificate or present of at least \$10.00 with them to class. The gifts were then given to families in need of holiday presents for their children. I am happy to report that many families at the Charlotte Jewish Preschool benefited from the project.

So who is this Student Council? How do I get in on it, you ask? To

answer the first question, we have a great board made up of students in eighth through twelfth grade. Joyce Dubin is our President, Rena Chernotsky is our Vice President, Karen Bernstein is our Secretary, Adam Freiberg is our treasurer, Courtney Rosenthal is our Social Chair, and Naomi Levine is our Sunshine Spreader. These dedicated students give the council great leadership. To answer the second question, you can get on the council next year by filling out the application that will come with your registration packet. I hope you will consider join-

ing us next year. We do important work and have fun too.

One of our upcoming projects is getting involved in the public schools and informing them about the many sides of Judaism. Becky Hunt and Courtney Rosenthal are leading the project so if you want to participate at your school or want more info, talk to one of them as soon as possible.

This was a great start, but there is so much more planned. Things to come are guaranteed to be bigger and better than ever. So, keep an eye out for more news from your student council. ☆

CHS Post-Confirmation Class Goes To Washington

Ten special CHS students will have the opportunity to participate in the *Panim el Panim* program in Washington, DC on March 17 through 20. This opportunity is being made possible through a grant from the Jewish Federation of Greater Charlotte and the Soref Scholarship awarded by the Washington Institute for Jewish Leadership and Values. The students selected will be eleventh and twelfth graders who demonstrate leadership qualities and have been active at CHS and other community organizations.

Since 1988 over 8,000 students from 120 communities across the United States have come to Washington to participate in *Panim el Panim*. This will be the first year that students from Charlotte have had the opportunity to participate.

Panim el Panim seminars allow teens to see the relevance of their Jewish heritage to the critical social and political issues facing our nation and the world. Students interact with policy experts on a range of contemporary issues, try their hand at lobbying with public officials, visit the Holocaust Museum, and learn about U.S.-Israel relations.

The Jewish educational components of *Panim el Panim* include active learning of Jewish texts and

examine value perspectives they relate to public issues. Simulations, role-playing, debates, and small group discussions engage students in applying Jewish insights to contemporary social and political issues.

If you are interested in this exciting program, please call Roz Cooper at 704-944-6782. The ten spots are expected to go quickly. ☆

Chanukah at CHS Means... Soufganiyot!



Jordana Weiner enjoys her Chanukah treat.



Jeff Goldsmith, Eli Pollack, and Jason Perlmutter partake of the jelly doughnuts.

Mardi Gras

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seven-person city council is Jewish.

Blacks, Jews and labor unions pulled together nine years ago, when Ku Klux Klansman David Duke ran for governor of Louisiana against the notoriously corrupt incumbent, Edwin Edwards.

The less than rousing campaign slogan of the anti-Duke forces was "Vote for the Crook — It's

Important."

The slogan, and the fact that it helped Edwards beat Duke, says something about "the bizarre nature of Louisiana politics," says Sandra Levy, executive director of the Jewish Endowment Foundation.

Generations of New Orleans Jews speak with pride that their children and grandchildren remained in their birthplace, and it is not unusual to find sixth and seventh-generation Jews in the metropolitan port city at the mouth of the Mississippi River.

But in recent years, the demographics have changed, says Levy, with young Jewish men and women seeking career opportunities in the larger Southern and West Coast cities. ☆

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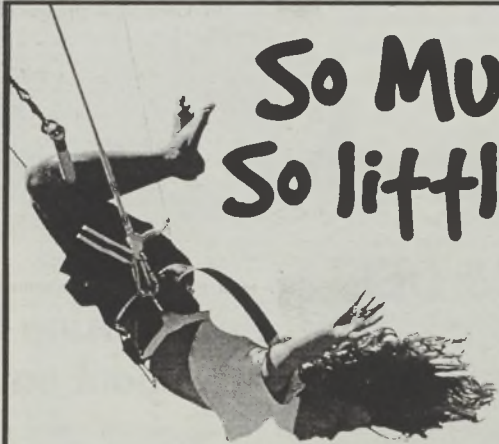
Thursday evening, May 9,
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