



Federation News



Federation Honors Ruth Goldberg at Annual Meeting

The Jewish Federation of Greater Charlotte will hold its Annual Meeting on Monday, April 22, 2002 at 7:45 PM in Gorelick Hall at the Leon and Sandra Levine Jewish Community Center Building at Shalom Park. The theme of the meeting, "Remembering the Past, Celebrating the Present, and Preparing for the Future," will be carried out as Ruth Goldberg is honored for her continued voluntarism on behalf of the Jewish community, and as special presentations are made to Anita Blumenthal and Florence Jaffa. The meeting will be dedicated to

the memory of Ben Jaffa, Jr. and a special announcement will be made to honor the memory of Herman Blumenthal.

Ruth Goldberg has been active in the Charlotte Jewish community since moving to Charlotte in 1962 from suburban New York with her husband Alan S. Goldberg and two sons. She was the director of Temple Israel Daily School from 1963 - 1967, taught at the North Carolina Hebrew Academy of Charlotte from 1972 - 1980, and was editor of the Jewish Times Outlook from 1986-1993. A co-founder of the Federation's Women's Division in 1970, Ruth



Ruth Goldberg will be honored for her service to the Jewish community.

has served on the Board of Directors of the Jewish Federation of Greater Charlotte since 1972. Serving on the board of both the Speizman Jewish Library and the Carolina Agency for Jewish Education, Ruth currently chairs the task force for the new Learning Center at Shalom Park. She also supervises the Mikvah at Temple Israel and is past president of the Temple's Sisterhood. Ruth is the co-chair of the Brandeis Alumni Club of Charlotte, and is an active life member of Hadassah.

During the Federation's Annual Meeting, the 2002-2003 slate of Officers and Board of Directors will be presented, and an election will be held. Anyone contributing at least \$18.00 to the 2002 Annual Campaign is considered a voting member.

We hope the community will make a special effort to attend this very special evening. ☆



Yom Ha'Atzmaut Community-Wide Celebration

Community-wide Israel Independence Day Celebration Shalom Park Expansion Project Groundbreaking on Sunday, April 21, 2002 at Shalom Park.

On the 5th month of the Hebrew month Iyar, in the secular year 1948, Israel's first prime minister, David Ben-Gurion, declared independence for the Jewish homeland. Every year since, Jews throughout the world have been celebrating Yom Ha'atzmaut, Independence Day, for the State of Israel.

This year recognizing Israel's independence and the bravery of our brothers and sisters in the land of Israel is more poignant than ever. Now, as they were then, Israelis are under constant fire and must bear arms to defend themselves. Let us take some time on the Sunday April 21 to say thank you to God for keeping the State of Israel and say Mazel Tov to its citizens for the sacrifices they have had to make to keep the dream of a Jewish homeland alive and thriving.

The day's events will commence at 11:30 AM with a dedication of the newly renovated Barbara L. Levine Indoor Pool at the Jewish Community Center. Immediately following the ceremony, Camp Mindy will come alive as an Israeli Market complete with food, an Israeli Flag Making Station, an Israeli Pen Pal area, Yom Ha'atzmaut crafts honoring Israel, Bingo and a Maj Jong Tournament.

At 1:30 the official Yom Ha'atzmaut Celebration will commence with a dedication from the Israel Consul General, Jacob Rocen, followed by the First Annual Walk for Israel. Children and adults will be asking for pledges to support the purchase of an ambulance for our sister city in Israel, Hadera-Eiron. The Hadera region has been subjected to more than 25 terrorists attacks in the last 18 months and a new ambulance is desperately needed.

The WALK FOR ISRAEL begins at Camp Mindy and will proceed down the driveway to Charlotte Jewish Day School, over to Temple Israel, out to Providence Road and down to Temple Beth El and then wind its way through Shalom Park. At each stop along the route, the Walk will

pick up people, adding to the excitement of the day. Once all groups are assembled, they will proceed to the Soccer Field and the Walk for Israel will culminate in a Shalom Park Expansion Project Groundbreaking ceremony followed by a dedication ceremony for the new Ostrow Family Athletic Fields.

The rest of the day, from 3 - 4 PM, will be full of fun: a field day with relay races, games, family softball and soccer games, a DJ and dancing music and snacks. This community-wide event is sponsored by: The Foundation of Shalom Park, The Jewish Community Center, The Jewish Federation of Greater Charlotte, Temple Israel, Temple Beth El, Charlotte Jewish Day School, Charlotte Jewish Preschool, Consolidated High School, BBYO and Ohr HaTorah.

Don't miss this fun-filled afternoon. Celebrate the birth and life of Israel. Shehecheyanu!



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Jewish Federation of Greater Charlotte - Slate of Officers for 2002

NOMINATED AS OFFICERS FOR 2002-2003

President	Sara Schreibman	Vice-President	Jill Newman
Vice-President	Eric Sklut	Vice-President	Rich Osborne
Treasurer	Scott Gorelick	Secretary	Alison Lerner

NOMINATED AS BOARD MEMBERS - TERM ENDING 2005

Marni Abramowitz	Michael Cohen
Stacy Gorelick	Penny Lipsitz
Audrey Madans	David S. Miller
Gale Osborne	Lynne Sheffer

NOMINATED AS BOARD MEMBER - TERM ENDING 2004

Jeff Epstein

NOMINATED AS BOARD MEMBERS - TERM ENDING 2003

Larry Polsky Nancy Kipnis

BOARD MEMBERS WHOSE TERM CONTINUES

Donald Bernstein, Lee Blumenthal, David Epstein, Ruth Goldberg, Adrienne Gossett, Donald Jacobs, Donna Lerner, Daniel S. Levine, Julie Lerner-Levine, Nina Lewis, Dan Peck, Adam Petricoff and Mark Rabinovitz

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

William Gorelick, Chair; Barbara Katz, Michael Molinari, Rich Osborne, Lane Ostrow, Lynne Sheffer

Super Sunday - Answer the Call!



Roni Fishkin, Super Sunday co-chair.

Super Sunday is coming and we hope you will answer the call. According to Roni Fishkin, Super Sunday co-chair, "Super Sunday will be a day when we bring all of the agencies together to work toward a common goal. We have asked all of our recipient agencies to provide at least twelve volunteers to assist us in making phone calls."

On Sunday, April 14 we will be at the phones all day from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM. Approximately 1,000 households will be called. Follow up calls will be made on Terrific Tuesday and Tremendous Thursday. "We will close the campaign after Super Sunday week," said Jill Newman, 2002 Campaign Chair. "I hope everyone will make their pledge between now and the close of the campaign. We want every household to 'answer the call,' thereby, greatly increasing the number of households making gifts this year. We are on the home stretch in our attempt to raise \$2.5

million."

"A Rhode Island philanthropist donating money to fight hunger in communities throughout the country is providing us an additional opportunity to increase our campaign," said Roni Fishkin. "Any donation made during Super Sunday week will generate additional dollars from a Challenge Grant from the Feinstein Foundation. Therefore, the bigger our donations, the more money we can allocate directly to such agencies as the JFS Food Bank and Loaves and Fishes."

"We are also seeking donations of gift certificates for lunches, dinners, and goods and services. We plan to have hourly drawings to give our volunteers a boost during the day. If you are in a position to donate a gift certificate, please call the Federation office at 704-944-6758," said Elaine Moody, co-chair of Super Sunday. "Also, if you would like to volunteer, please let us know - you don't have to wait to be asked. We need people to make phone calls, as well as volunteers to write thank you notes, and to record gifts."

The Jewish Federation of Greater Charlotte is the umbrella fundraising agency for the Charlotte Jewish community. Through our support of such agencies as Jewish Family Services, the Jewish Community Center, and the Blumenthal Jewish Home, we are able to assure that quality human services are delivered to Jews in need. Our commitment to



Elaine Moody, Super Sunday co-chair.

maintaining and strengthening Jewish identification, commitment and continuity through Jewish education is carried out through our gifts to the Charlotte Jewish Day School, the Preschool on Sardis, the Charlotte Jewish Preschool, CAJE and the Consolidated High School of Jewish Studies. Our gifts to BBYO, Hillel and Teen Israel provide cultural, social and religious programs for high school and college students. Our allocation to the Community Tzedakah Fund provides emergency loans for families in crisis; and our gift to the Hebrew Cemetery provides dignified burial services for indigent community members.

For a complete listing of our recipient agencies, you can log onto our web site www.jewishcharlotte.org, refer to page 3 of the February 2002 issue of *The Charlotte Jewish News*, or call the Federation office at 704-944-6757. ☆



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