The North Carolina Mountains and Judaism

Wildacres Conference Center in Little Switzerland, heart of the beautiful NC Blue Ridge Mountains, will host the 60th annual B'nai B'rith Institute of Judaism, August 13-16. The retreat features three outstanding scholars, three kosher meals a day, and double occupancy rooms with private bath.

Three speakers will present a stunning multi-faceted tapestry of ideas. Cantor Hayley Kobilinsky, graduate of the Hebrew Union College School of Sacred Music and former Julliard student, will speak and sing her topics of Yiddish music, current trends in synagogue music, Israeli pop music, and women as "chazzantes." Prof. Yaakov Ariel of the

Department of Religious Studies at UNC-Chapel Hill, formerly of Hebrew University, and author of two books, will speak on topics concerning new paths of Judaism in the 21st century, including "hyphenated" Judaism, Reconstructionist Judaism, and interfaith relations. Prof. Don Habibi, professor of philosophy at UNC-Wilmington and recipient of two awards for distinguished teaching, will discuss the current Israeli-Palestinian situation, Fatah/Hamas conflicts, and human rights in a propaganda war.

In addition to lectures, patio discussions, and live music at night, there are afternoon "nosh" socials, a welcome wine and cheese party, free tennis lessons,

and an evening movie. But as good as this is, best of all is the cool fresh mountain air enjoyed from a rocking chair on the blue stone patio overlooking spectacular views of the Blue Ridge Mountains.

The cost is \$315 per person for two in a room and \$440 per person for one in a room. This includes lodging, kosher meals, lectures, entertainment, and social activi-

Pre-arrangements can be made for special dietary needs and scheduled golf cart transportation is available to and from Wildacres buildings.

For more information, email Bill Carr at bcarr@ipass.net or call him at 919-781-4207. \$\pi\$

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Babysitting Hours

The JCC Babysitting room will be suspending its afternoon babysitting hours for the summer. The last day afternoon care will be

provided is June 7. It will resume in the fall. The summer hours will be Monday-Friday, 8 AM-1 PM, and Sundays 8:30 AM-12:30 PM. ❖

WOMEN'S NEWS

BE Sisterhood Book Club

Temple Beth El's WRJ/ Sisterhood Book Group will meet on Sunday afternoon, June 24, at 3 PM in room 220 of the Bernstein Education Building when we will discuss A Thread of Grace by Mary Doria Russell. This novel is set at the end of World War II in Northern Italy where Germans are retreating, Italians are hiding Jews, and partisans are fighting for their country. The ethical issues that surface are interesting, perplexing, and worthy of discussion. Phyllis Berlin will facilitate this discussion. Please plan to join us for the afternoon to learn and to share thoughts about this historically based book. Guests are always welcome and no RSVP's are necessary. Please contact Lynne Cojac with any questions at 704-541-3358 or LCojac@

Coming attractions for next fall. Our first meeting for next year will take place at 3 PM on October 14 when we'll discuss a non-fiction book called Sins of Ommission by Carol Goodman Kaufman. This book, focusing on the subject of domestic abuse in Jewish homes, was selected for October during Domestic Abuse

Hadassah Kinneret Circle at the Lake

The Hadassah Kinneret Circle at the Lake is having "End Of Year" meeting and installation of officers for year 2006-2007 on June 12, 7 PM

Please RSVP robbiedamesek@yahoo.com.

at Mia Familia in Cornelius.



