

## Hebrew Cemetery Association

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It seems like only a few short weeks ago that the season welcomed the joys of summertime vacation. By the time this article is published, however, summer will be almost over and families will be scurrying around getting ready

for school. That is the cycle of life. Time flies by so quickly. The season is over before one knows it. The days pass by so quickly... each day in its own essence, being but a gift from God. How fast the days and months and years fly by. As you prepare

your children for the start of school, as you organize their school wardrobes and after-school activities, please give equal thought to your own preparation for the years that lie ahead. Being a member of the Hebrew Cemetery Association of Charlotte guarantees you and your family precious preparedness when life's inevitable moments come your way. No one can be emotionally prepared for those dark moments... but you can be prepared physically.

By becoming a member of the Hebrew Cemetery today you can



### Hebrew Cemetery Association

place for all immortal souls.

Mark your calendars today to join hundreds of your Jewish brethren at the Hebrew Cemetery's Annual Meeting and Memorial Service being held at the cemetery on Sunday, September 16, at 10:30 AM, rain

guarantee a dignified and holy resting place for yourself and for your entire family. In addition, your tax deductible annual dues of \$72 gives you the opportunity to honor the souls of all who preceded you in eternal life, guaranteeing a dignified and sanctified final resting

or shine. Join with your own Conservative, Lubavitch, or Reform Rabbi as they each participate in this very moving ceremony. Watch for more details in the September publications of your temple bulletin and *The Charlotte Jewish News*.

For more information on membership benefits or the annual meeting and memorial service, call Cemetery Director, Joe Kodsi 704-364-4112.

Directions to the cemetery: Take Providence Rd. into uptown; turn right on Graham Street and stay on Graham for about two miles; bear left onto Statesville Ave.; the cemetery will be about 1/4 mile down the road on your left. ☆



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## Film Festival Dates Set

The 2008 Charlotte Jewish Film Festival will be held Saturday, March 1 to Saturday, March 8. Planning for this exciting annual event is already underway and we're looking for volunteers.

If you would like to help out and contribute to our fundraising, marketing, administration, hospitality or day-of committees, or to contribute in other ways, please join us for a meeting that will be held Wednesday, August 29 in the Shalom Park Boardroom at the LJCC at 7:30 PM.

Whether you have a lot of time or just a little, we need your help.

For more information, please contact the festival's Volunteer Coordinator, Ellyn Gross, at [ellyngross@aol.com](mailto:ellyngross@aol.com) or 704-338-1648. ☆



## JCC Tributes

### The Mindy Ellen Levine Day Camp Endowment Fund

Wishing Leon Levine a happy birthday from Lynn and Paul Edelstein, Rita and Lewis Levine, Barbara and Joe Sklut, Cynthia and Scott Woller

Wishing Leon and Sandra Levine a happy anniversary from Lynn and Paul Edelstein

Wishing Mel Segal a happy birthday from Sandra and Leon Levine

Congratulations to Amy Levine on her college graduation from Judi and Leonard Strause

### Paul Spil Memorial Softball Fund

In memory of Phil Levine's mother from The Morris Spil Family ☆



## Youth Visions

### Teen Freedom Riders from DC Visit Charlotte

A delegation of 31 black and Jewish high school students from Operation Understanding DC arrived in Charlotte on Wednesday, July 11, as they travel on their month-long summer journey to see places of importance to the African American and Jewish communities.

The students - 15 African Americans and 16 Jews - met with community activists and 1960 sit-in leaders B.B. DeLaine and J. Charles Jones; toured the Levine Museum of the New South; learned about Charlotte's Jewish community from Temple Beth El Executive Director Sara Schreiberman; and explored the Shalom Park campus.

The 31 students from Washington, DC are part of Operation Understanding DC (OUDC), a decade-old educational leadership development program whose mission is as simple as it is vital: "Positive race relations require our moving beyond tolerance to truly embracing diversity," says Rachael Feldman, Executive Director of OUDC.

Before reaching Charlotte, the students and four group leaders explored New York City and Greensboro, NC. From Charlotte, they will travel by bus to 11 cities in 4 states including Atlanta and Clayton, GA; Birmingham, Montgomery, and Selma, AL; Meridian, Jackson,

and the Mississippi Delta; and Memphis. The group will return to DC on Sunday, July 29.

Joey Blum, a 17-year-old from Bethesda, MD, was happy to join the group because his parents were involved in the civil rights movement of the 1960s. "My goal is learn more about that period of our country's history," he said.

"How are our African-American and Jewish communities connected and similar?" wondered Lavon Sampson, a 16-year-old from Upper Marlboro, MD.

The whole trip has been eye-opening for the entire group. "We visited the mosque that Malcolm X led," said 16-year-old Bianca Davies. The Silver Spring, MD resident said, "That was the most moving part of our trip."

Grace Tiedemann of Washington, DC was warned by the welcome in Borough Park. "The Chasidic community was so welcoming and kind," the 17-year-old said. ☆



Grace Tiedemann, Lavon Sampson, Joey Blum, and Bianca Davies.

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