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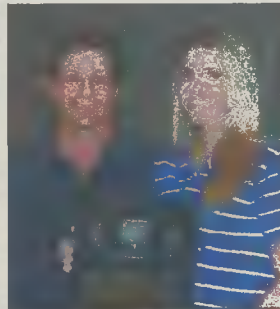
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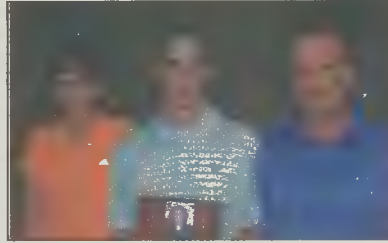
The Sandra & Leon Levine JCC's Sports and Fitness Department is very happy to announce the winners of the 2007 JCC Maccabi Games awards, presented this year during the annual Team Charlotte's reunion party this past October.

Adam Levinson and Alex Widis are the recipients of the prestigious Harold Josephson Award. This award, established in 1998 at the JCC Maccabi Games hosted in Charlotte and named in memory of an outstanding leader and gentleman from our Charlotte Jewish community, is presented annually to a member or members of the Charlotte JCC Maccabi Games delegation who demonstrates tremendous fortitude despite adversity and who displays the perseverance to achieve goals that appear unattainable. Previous winners have included: Matt Manes, Mitchell Gartner, Brett



Robert Widis with his daughter, Alex.

Strumwasser, Courtney Rosenberg, Michael Murray, Rebecca Raphael, Alan Platock the boys inline hockey team from 2005 (Harry Bergmann, Jonathan, Cohen, Matthew Laxer, Matt Lepow, Zach Maniloff and Kyle Schumer) and 2006 adult coaches/chaperones Larry Brown, Aree Pearlman and Dan Vizzini.



Brooks Corcoran (center) with his parents, Deborah and Louis.

For the fifth year in a row, a newer award for the JCC Maccabi Games program in Charlotte was also presented. Named in memory of Amy Beth Rosenberg, former Associate Director of the JCC Maccabi Games who very sadly and very suddenly passed away in the spring of 2003 at the age of 36 and who was one of the key continental staff insuring the success of the JCC Maccabi Games for many previous years, the award is presented annually to a member or members of the Charlotte JCC Maccabi Games delegation who displays "extra ordinary" behavior while participating at the annual JCC Maccabi Games. The winner of this award for 2007 is Brooks Corcoran, joining previous Rosenberg award winners Elyssa Iagnocco, Jeffrey Goldsmith, Matt Gershen, Aaron Zucker, Dayna Katz, Sarah Platock, Alex Widis and Amanda Widis.

Alex Widis is a junior at Providence Day School and has been involved with Maccabi for the past three years. She has played both field hockey (two years) and soccer (four years) for her school and has played soccer club level ball for the past seven years. Alex is the daughter of Robert & Jeanie Widis and David Hansen & Emily Chatham. Adam Levinson is a sophomore at Myers

Park HS and has participated in the JCC Maccabi Games for the past three years as a golfer, baseball player and tennis player. He is the son of Holly and Hal Levinson. And last, but certainly not least, Brooks Corcoran is a junior at North Mecklenburg HS who has also been involved with the JCC Maccabi Games for all four of his eligible years. Brooks has been swimming competitively for eleven years and he is going to compete in the eleventh Pan American Maccabi Games in Argentina over the 2007-2008



Holly, Adam, and Hal Levinson.

Christmas break. Brooks hopes to be able to compete in the Maccabiah Games in Israel during the summer of 2009.

Congratulations to all the 2007 JCC Maccabi Games award winners for these well-deserved honors. Your enthusiasm for the JCC Maccabi Games program and Team Charlotte, plus your willingness to do "whatever it takes" to be successful both on and off the field of play are an inspiration to many others both in our local Charlotte community and beyond. ☆

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