

## Schloss Summer Lecture

# The Olympics: To Watch or Not to Watch?

Join us for our 6 PM Summer Service and stay for dinner at 7 PM (\$10 per person). Dinner will be followed by Dr. Shelley Rigger, Professor of East Asian Politics at Davidson College, 7:30-8:30 PM, the Schloss Summer Lecturer of 2008.

This summer's Olympics in Beijing are a hot topic of discussion not only for sports fans, but for activists and political analysts as well. Our summer Schloss Lecture, on Friday, July 11, will explore the human rights abuses in China that are filling the headlines of our papers. On this topic, respected Rabbis Yitz Greenberg and Haskel Lookstein recently wrote: "It remains our view that it would be unconscionable for Jews to go and enjoy the Olympics and help China gain international respectability when it is enabling Sudan's genocide, oppressing Tibet, and providing military assistance to Iran and Syria, and befriending Hamas."

Our Schloss lecturer will be Dr. Shelley Rigger, the Brown Associate Professor of East Asian Politics at Davidson College in the Department of Political Science. Dr. Rigger earned her Ph.D. from Harvard University, where she specialized in Comparative Politics, Chinese Politics, American Politics and Government, and Political Anthropology. She also holds a B.A. from Princeton University, where she studied Public and International Affairs and East Asian Studies. Dr. Rigger will present the political side of the human rights abuses. Joining her on the panel will be Rabbi Judy Schindler who will discuss the Jewish response to this year's forum for the Olympics, and a third panelist who will share a more personal perspective of their experiences in China.

This annual summer lecture was established three years ago by



Marc and Mattye Silverman in memory of Marc's uncle, Simeon Archibald "Happy" Schloss, Jr. Happy was one of the original founders of Temple Beth El and was a treasurer. He was passionate about Judaism, about Temple life and as his name tells you, he was always happy. Our Schloss Lecture will follow our 6:00 Summer Shabbat service. We will begin with dinner at 7:00 and with the lecture immediately following. For more information please contact Stephanie DiPaolo at 704-749-3051 or email sdipaolo@beth-el.com. ☆

## Temple Beth El's New Board of Directors

On May 12, during the annual meeting held at the Temple, the new officers and board of directors were elected. They are



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Elected for a three-year term were Sera Callif, Amy Lefkof, Mike Martin, Gene Meyers, and Renee Schreibman. Elected for a two-year term were Jeff Bierer, Judy Seldin Cohen, Jack Levinson, Tammy Menaker and Milt Poler. Elected for a one year term were Larry Fleishman, Peter Hindel, Marshall Lindner, Martin Multer and Larry Schwartz.

Our Brotherhood President Brian Emery and Women of Reform Judaism President Corine Bockenek will serve on the board as will Lindsay London our LIBERTY representative. Shirley Fytelson serves on the board as an Honorary Lifetime Board Member and Susan Cernyak Spatz and Sid Sussman are presidential appointees to the board. ☆

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