

JEWISH FEDERATION NEWS

Introducing the Women's Professional Network

The Jewish Federation is pleased to present a new initiative - The Women's Professional Network. The new program is designed to give women the opportunity to engage socially and connect with a cause. The Network will meet five times a year and is open to all professional women whether or not they are actively engaged in careers outside the home.

On September 24, Belk's will sponsor an inaugural event which will officially launch the new initiative. Women will gather in the St. John Department at the SouthPark store at 6:30 PM for networking, wine and hors d'oeuvres. Guest Speaker Arlene Goldstein, Vice-President Trend Merchandising, Fashion Director, Belk, Inc., will offer her insight into the "Most Wanted Looks for Fall." Belk's will also provide dessert, goody bags and giveaways for this fantastic evening.

To RSVP for the September event or for more information, please contact the Federation office: susan.stafford@jewishcharlotte.org or 704-944-6761.

A Steering Committee under the able leadership of Fern Ingber Epley has been meeting for several months to plan the new program. Other members of the committee are Cary Bernstein, Kelly Gaines, Pam Levy, Jenny Meiselman, Gale Osborne, Jane Rabinovitz, Linda Seigel and Jenny Stern.

An after-work social was held at the Light Factory at Spirit Square on August 21 to introduce Charlotte's first Jewish

Women's Professional Network and to learn more about what motivates and interests the women who attended.

The mission of the Jewish Federation of Greater Charlotte is to raise and distribute funds to support and enrich the lives of Jews locally, nationally, in Israel and worldwide. Through education, planning and community building, the Federation's mission ensures that Jewish values, goals, traditions and connections are preserved for current and future generations.

The Women's Professional Network is a function of the campaign and women will be asked to pledge a minimum of \$180 per household to the Jewish Federation's 2009 Annual Campaign. All women are invited to attend one meeting without obligation.

Be sure to mark your calendar for our upcoming meetings which will all take place from 6-7:30 PM:

- * "Speed Networking," December 4 at Temple Israel
- * "Train your Brain," January 22 at McCormick and Schmick's SouthPark
- * "Roundtable Topics," March 12 at The Light Factory
- * Summer Social on June 25 at the home of Fern Ingber Epley

After the September program, all communication will be by email. To sign up or to find out more about the Women's Professional Network and how you can get involved, please contact Sue Littauer, Development Director, at sue.littauer@jewishcharlotte.org. ☆

Bernstein Leadership Program Announces Chairs for Upcoming Year

The Donald H. and Barbara K. Bernstein Leadership Development Program is proud to announce that Herb Greenman and Adina Loewensteiner are the co-chairs for the upcoming year.



Herb Greenman



Adina Loewensteiner

Herb Greenman (BLG Class of 2008) grew up in Charlotte as a member of the Jewish community. After a long hiatus for higher education, he returned to Charlotte. He has been in private practice for the last four years with his twin brother and father at Greenman Eye Associates. He is a member of Temple Israel. In his spare time, he likes to lift weights, jog, and windsurf.

Adina Loewensteiner (BLG Class of 2008) moved to Charlotte via Boston. She currently works at Time Financial as an Insurance Case Manager. In addition to serving as co-chair of BLG, Adina heads up the Young Couples Club at Temple Israel and was very involved in Boston with Combined Jewish Philanthropies. Her hobbies include Gardening, walking, cooking, baking and spending time with her husband. She is a member of Temple Israel.

The Leadership Program of the Jewish Federation of Greater Charlotte seeks to prepare the next generation of leaders to confront the needs of our rapidly changing Jewish community.

The program will increase Jewish identity and its effect on roles as leaders within the Jewish community. It will

also deepen and broaden participant awareness of Jewish heritage, commitments to *Tzedakah*, *Tikkun Olam*, *Chesed* and Jewish continuity.

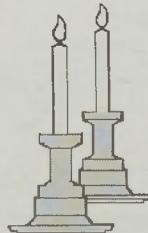
Together we will learn about the issues facing our community in Charlotte and around the world. The program will enhance your understanding of the Jewish community and its local, national, and international agencies. In addition, participation in the leadership program will create a bond among our future leaders to foster strong working relationships today and for the future. If you are excited about these topics, we welcome your time, energy and commitment. We invite you to join us to explore the relevant issues that affect our lives individually and as members of the worldwide Jewish community.

Participants will meet to engage in discussions and participate in high quality programs presented by top-notch local and national authorities and Jewish leaders of our time.

On Sunday, October 26 at 5 PM at Cajun Queen, 1800 E 7th Street, the Bernstein Leadership Group will be hosting a Preview Reception to acquaint those interested members of our Jewish community with more details about the program. If you are interested in learning more about the BLG VII, please contact the Federation office at 704-944-6757 or info@jewishcharlotte.org. ☆

SHABBAT AND HOLIDAY CANDLE LIGHTING FOR SEPTEMBER 2008

- Friday, September 5, 7:26 PM
- Friday, September 12, 7:16 PM
- Friday, September 19, 7:06 PM
- Friday, September 26, 6:56 PM
- Erev Rosh HaShanah, September 29, 6:51 PM
- Second Night Rosh HaShanah, September 30, after 7:46 PM



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