Chavurah Keshet Sponsors Temple Beth El's Annual Inclusion Shabbat on December 5 at 8 PM

The topic for the 2008 Temple Beth El's

The topic for the 2008 Inclusion Shabbat is "Mental Health in a Jewish Context." The keynote speaker is Amy Heilman, a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and a member of Temple Beth El.

Through its annual Inclusion Shabbat, Chavurah Keshet,

Temple Beth El's gay-straight alliance, has been proactive in creating awareness of issues of inclusion with regard to sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, mental and physical disability, and other areas. The goals of this year's event include providing accurate

information, dispelling myths and reducing the stigma that is often associated with mental illness.

Temple Beth El strives to be a welcoming and supportive congregation for all people, including those with mental illness and their caregivers. This year's Inclusion



Shabbat is part of the effort to provide a safe place for these members of our community and their families to worship and connect with the Jewish community.

Chavurah Keshet will be making a donation to Jewish Family Services in honor of all of us who need their services. If you would like to make a donation, or would like more details, please contact,



Amy Heilman

Temple Beth El at 704-366-



Jews have always known the value of education. It's an essential tool to maintain our strength as a people. The Jewish Educational Loan Fund helps Jewish students in need pay for college or other post-secondary school opportunities. Our interest-free loans "bridge the gap" between the financial aid students have received and the total amount they actually need to attend school. Now that you've been chosen to help, call or e-mail us for information or to make a donation.





The Temple Beth El Brotherhood welcomed all six candidates for three at-large seats on the Mecklenburg County Commission at its October breakfast meeting. (L-R) Dan Ramirez, Susan Walker, Hal Jordan, Jennifer Roberts, Harold Cogdell Jr., and Dan Murray.



