

## JFS Touches Many Lives

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the religious schools, our children and adolescents are learning and practicing the best teachings of tzedakah. It speaks volumes about a community when its youngest members blend giving to others into the natural fabric of their young lives.

### *Todah to the Sandra and Leon Levine*

The dominoes are falling. The economic crisis is hitting every neighborhood in America and our own Jewish community is by no means immune. Jewish Family Services is seeing an influx of people who used to be able to make ends meet and now cannot: people who have never asked for help before. At a time when others have cut back or even shut their doors, we are here for the community, with our doors open wider than ever. Jewish Family Services along with so many others have

long benefitted from the generosity of Sandra and Leon Levine. We now owe an even greater debt of gratitude to this magnanimous family as one of the recipients of their recently formed million dollar emergency fund. Those open doors are made possible by such unprecedented levels of generosity as this grant conveys. We are thankful for the gift and for the inspiration it brings to others to stretch a bit in their giving especially this year to ensure that Jewish Family Services is always here - in good times and bad - to help all those in need. What tremendous things we can accomplish as a community. On behalf of the troubled children, unemployed breadwinners, survivors of domestic violence, those disabled, the frail and the elderly who will be helped, we thank you. ✧

### Mitzvah Maker Cooks for November 2008

**Ann Abel,  
Linda Babich,  
Penny Eisenberg,  
Donna Emerson,  
Iris Friedlander,  
Ruth Goldberg,  
Katherine Goldstein,  
Linda Isser,  
Claire Krusch,  
Linda Levy,  
Roberta Malickson,  
Anita Shapiro,  
Marcia Stern,  
Judi Strause**

## It's the Mah Jongg Fundraiser!

Come help support the Charlotte Jewish Day School's Ein Gedi Special Needs Classroom!

Date: Thursday, January 22, 2009

Time: 9 AM-12 NOON

Where: Gorelick Hall in the Levine JCC  
Cost: \$18 for breakfast and to play or learn how to play.

All levels are welcome!

Please send in a check payable to CJDS by

Friday, January 9 to

CJDS

Attn: Cheryl Slane

P.O. Box 79180

Charlotte, NC 28271-7059

**Any questions, please call Cheryl Slane at 704-543-4271**

## JEWISH FEDERATION HONORS MAJOR DONORS

The Jewish Federation of Greater Charlotte honored its major donors on Thursday, December 11th at a reception and dinner held at The Westin Charlotte Hotel. Linda Seigel, chair of the Major Gift Campaign, welcomed the guests and introduced the evening by saying, "Tonight we are here to kickoff our 2009 Campaign. The goal of the 2009 Campaign is \$3,500,000 - a goal that the federation leadership feels is reflective of community needs in these difficult times. We know that we can only achieve our

goal with the continued and generous support of our major donors."

The theme of the 2009 Annual Campaign is "You Are the Jewish Federation: Making the Personal Connection." Speakers Julie Lerner Levine and Kevin Archer shared their personal stories as donors to the Jewish Federation and special guest speaker Andrew Klein, a native Charlottean who served in an IDF infantry unit, thanked the majors for their investment in him as a future leader

of the Jewish community. Rabbis Cantor, Groner and Schindler all participated in the evening's program.

Major donors are those who contribute a minimum of \$10,000 to the Annual Campaign. In 2008, 72% of the campaign dollars raised were contributed through the generosity of major donors. To learn more about how you can become a major donor, please contact Sue Worrel, Executive Director, or Sue Littauer, Development Director, at the Federation Office.



Gail Baron and Stacy Gorelick.



Alan Kronovet and John Baron



Wayne and Amy Gould



Guest speaker, Andrew Klein, with his parents, Paula and Richard Klein.



Todd Gorelick and Rich Osborne



Linda Seigel, Major Gifts Chair, speaks at the event.

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