

# JFS and Oasis Senior Enrichment Program Team Up for Seniors and Caregivers

An estimated one in four U.S. households are involved in caring for elderly family members. With the National Jewish Population Survey finding that 19% of American Jews are aged 65 or older an increased number of American Jews are experiencing the emotional and financial challenges of care giving. In Mecklenburg County the senior population is expected to grow by more than 1.5 percentage points from 2005-2010. Oasis Senior Enrichment Program and Jewish Family Services are excited about

bringing a quarterly series of educational workshops and a network of supportive services that offer caregivers easy access to resources and information.

The first workshop will be entitled "Navigating the System" and will explore some of the choices available for senior living including assisted and independent living facilities as well as area home care agencies and the various levels of services they offer. The workshop will be led by Bea Gibbs, the Senior Outreach Specialist at Jewish Family

Services.

Date: Tuesday, April 21, 12 noon

Place: Weinberg Senior Center at Shalom Park in the Levine JCC  
A free box lunch will be provided.

RSVP to Linda Bass, Senior Adult Program Director at linda.bass@charlottejcc.org or call 704-944-6735

A Caregivers' Support Group will also meet monthly.

The first Caregivers' Support Group will meet on April 6 at 6:30 at Jewish Family Services in

Shalom Park.

For more information or to RSVP, please contact Nicole Vagnone at nicole.vagnone@jfscharlotte.org or call 704-364-6594. ☆

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## Schools

# CJDS Tu B'Shevat Celebration Becomes a Community Event

Through the generosity of Fresh Market and Foster-Caviness, Charlotte Jewish Day School became the "Fruit Basket of Shalom Park" for the holiday of Tu B'Shevat, the New Year for the Trees. Since this holiday is often celebrated by eating fruits that are in season at this time in Israel, CJDS middle school students turned the event into a mitzvah project by preparing fruit baskets for distribution to elderly members of our community.

two organizations might be able to help with this project. Both agreed, but little did we know the extent of their generosity until the boxes of fruit began arriving at our school: tangerines, apples, grapes, bananas, and oranges—enough fruit to fill 20 large baskets with enough left over to provide a generous supply to Jewish Family Services.

The middle school students prepared beautifully wrapped baskets and transported them to some of Charlotte's lesser well-known nursing and retirement facilities, including the Dorchester and The Laurels in Pineville. Many of the residents do not have families nearby, and while they were thrilled to receive the baskets, they were also deeply moved by the students' willingness to spend time visiting with them.

We are very grateful to Fresh Market and Foster-Caviness for their benevolence and for allowing us to provide the "gift of giving" to those in our community who are less fortunate. ☆



Rachael Hall and Yakira Oudmayer prepare fruit baskets in honor of Tu B'Shevat.



Frannie Cohen displays baskets to be presented to senior citizens of our community.

Making this project a reality left the students in a quandary about the expense of the fruit, since their goal was to fill twenty baskets. Vicky Hirschmann, Program Director for CJDS, contacted Deborah Cramer of Fresh Market and Scott Gorelick of Foster-Caviness and asked if their



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