

## Temple Israel Men's Club

By Ben Aizenman

There are so many things that have happened and are yet to occur with Men's Club. The Israeli Dinner and a Movie night was very successful. An Israeli dinner catered by our chef, Ilana

Rappaport, was delicious. I would to thank the following men for their help: Michael Newman, Don Herbstman, Nick Rose, Norman Snyder for bringing his video equipment and showing the movie and Steve Weiner for the Passover

wine tasting. A special thank you to my wife Susan for baking over 500 delicious cookies for dessert and Lina Newman for helping set up the trays.

The Passover wine sale at the Purim Carnival went very well. Sales continued as we approached Pesach. We offered the largest selection in our wine sale history with over 40 varieties of wine. Thanks to Steve Weiner, owner of Vintner Wine Market in the Arboretum, you can continue to purchase wine throughout the year

and he we will continue to donate a portion of the proceeds to Men's Club. Be sure to mention that you are a member of Temple Israel.

What a wonderful Men's Club Shabbat. With over 40 participants I cannot thank each one individually but know that I appreciated all of your efforts. Your response when I asked for your participation and donations

was heartening. If you have not paid your pledge, please do so and if you have not donated, we will still take what you would like to give. Special thanks go to: Mike Eisner for coordinating the event, Frank Rosen for being the consummate professional *gabbai*, especially in the face of last minute changes, George Schneider for his help in making the deli trays Friday morning, Jeffrey Gleiberman of Gleiberman's Kosher Mart



Steve Weiner passes out samples of kosher wines.

and Deli for letting us work within our budget to provide a delicious deli luncheon. It was a lot of work for all of us but what a payoff.

A special thanks goes to Anne Weiss, Mary Reel, Sonny Addison and the kitchen staff for all that they did to make the luncheon the success that it was. A very special thank you to Myra Brinn who helped bake the over 1,000 cookies, Lina Newman who also baked and came in on Friday to help set up all the trays and my wife Susan who baked, set-up and coordinated the desserts you all enjoyed.

Michael Weiss worked diligently to make sure that each member family of Temple Israel, Temple Beth Shalom of Lake Norman and Congregation Emanuel of Statesville received one of the over eight hundred Yom Hashoah yellow candle boxes he put together. Thank you Michael, for your hard work. The donations that congregants sent for these candles will help pay for the Hay class of Temple Israel to participate in a trip to The Holocaust Museum in Washington, DC. If you have not already sent in your donation, please do so as quickly as possible.

Mother's Day Brunch is coming up on May 10 at 10 AM. This is the perfect way to show your Mom, wife, special friend or family member, just how much you appreciate her. There is no charge for the special Mom in your life. All others pay the paltry fee of \$5. Want to pay less? For each paying guest donate a non-perishable kosher food item and receive a \$1 discount per paying guest. The food will be donated to Jewish Family Service's food pantry. ✨

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*Last month this photo was misidentified. This is Amy Terkel.*

