# **JEWISH FEDERATION NEWS**

### October & November Events at the Jewish Federation

#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 1

Women's Professional Network ... forging relationships, building community

6–7:30 PM, Belk Southpark, St. John Department

Guest Speaker: Arlene Goldstein, Vice-President Trend Merchandising, Fashion Director Belk, Inc. will offer her insight into "This Fall's Most Wanted Looks"

Fashion show, giveaways and goody bags.

The Women's Professional Network offers women the opportunity to engage socially and connect with a cause. The Network meets five times each year and is open to all professional women whether or not they are actively engaged in careers outside the home.

#### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7

Uptowners: Nosh and Network 11:45 AM-1 PM, Levine Museum of the New South Guest Speaker: Ira Bass Topic: Marketing Through Social Networking: LinkedIn

Uptowners: Nosh and Network is the Federation's outreach initiative for the Charlotte business and professional community. Register online at www.jewishcharlotte.org by October 5 if purchasing lunch (\$10). Free and drop-ins welcome if no lunch is purchased.

#### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8**

JCRC Israel Advocacy Training 10 AM, Gorelick Hall at Shalom Park

Guest Speaker: Neil Lazarus Topic: Training Yourself to Advocate for Israel

# MONDAY & TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16 & 17

JCRC Community Event Guest Speaker: Dr. Daniel Gordis (Senior Vice President of the Shalem Center) Topic: Saving Israel - How the Jewish People Can Win a War that May Never End

November 16: 7 PM at St. Albans Episcopal, Davidson,

November 17: 7:30 PM at Temple Israel

Free and open to the community.

The Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) promotes the interests of the Charlotte Jewish community by creating working relationships with our neighbors and serving as the collective voice of the Jewish community. For more information about all of Federation's Outreach initiatives, please contact the Federation office at 704-944-6757 or info@jewishcharlotte.org.





# Young Adult Events in October

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16

Shalom Baby sponsors Got Shabbat! 9:30–10:30 AM, Sam Lerner Center for Cultural Arts

Join Shalom Baby as we host the second Got Shabbat of the season. Ms. Patti will lead us in Shabbat songs. Mingle with other new parents from 9:30-9:45 AM. Music starts at 9:45 AM. \$5, payable at the door or in advance at www.charlottejcc.org or at the JCC front desk.

#### **SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24**

YAD Hayride and Bonfire 7–10 PM, Carrigan Farms, 1261 Oak Ridge Farm Hwy. Mooresville, NC 28115.

\$10 (payable in cash at Carrigan Farms) includes bonfire, hotdogs, s'mores, and a hayride. Bring your own refreshments. For carpool information, contact Jodi Greenwald, at Jodi.greenwald@jewishcharlotte.org or 704-

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### **Between Families**

By Asaf Shenhav, Israeli Shaliach

My dear community:

A few weeks ago, I arrived in Charlotte for what will hopefully become a magical journey for me, hand in hand with all of you and the Jewish community of Charlotte, North Carolina. As this is my first opportunity to write to all of you, I would like to focus on three main things.

First, I would like to tell you a little bit about myself. My name is Asaf Shenhav, and I will be the Shaliach (Israeli emissary) this 2009-10 year. I am 22 years old, and I live in Herzelia, a big city very close to Tel Aviv. I completed my military service eight months ago, where I served as a guide in the Yad VaShem Holocaust Museum in Jerusalem. Today, in addition to preparing for my journey to Charlotte, I am still working at Yad VaShem and in all kinds of different educational institutions.

Other than the basic facts, I also have a few hobbies such as playing the guitar, singing, writing, reading, playing beach volleyball, photography, going dancing, and just hanging out with good friends.

If I need to choose one main thing that I believe in, it is definitely the Jewish value of "Ve'Ahavta L'Reyecha Kamocha," to love one's neighbor as you love yourself. I believe in all people getting



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equal chances in life and I try to live by that value.

Next, I would like to mention my transition from living in Israel to leaving Israel – only for a short time, of course, but it is never easy leaving something you love so much. I will most definitely miss the Israeli culture, the way of life, the amazing landscape, the nightlife, and my friends. But more than anything, it is hard to imagine that this year's holidays are not going to be spent with my family as they are every other year.

But...

This brings me to my last topic this time. It is an amazing feeling to know that, although I am not going to spend the coming year with my regular family, I am definitely going to enjoy spending it with my new

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