# Home for the Holy Days

The greatest joy from our renovation this year is that we will be celebrating the High Holy Days in our newly renovated and expanded Temple Beth El home. It has been years since we have been able to congregate in our sanctuary for the High Holy Days for all of our services.

With the addition of the Sandra & Leon Levine Social Hall we are able to open the Blumenthal Sanctuary to the north and south and accommodate more than 1,500 people. While this is not large enough for everyone to attend worship together, we will have double services for the evenings and mornings of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. We will split our congregation evenly

to accommodate our numbers, for both morning and evening services. Junior Congregation and Babysitting will take place in the Bobbi & Don Bernstein Education Building.

We are working with the Foundation of Shalom Park to develop a parking plan since there is not enough room for members of both Temples to park. May this new year be a special one for all of Temple Beth El's family as we start off 5772 by being Home for the Holy Days. ₽



# A Visit to URJ 6 Points Sports Academy in Greensboro

By Andy Harkavy

After spending two weeks serving as faculty and witnessing the excitement at the URJ 6 Points Sports Academy, I saw exactly why this camp doubled in size from 224 campers in its first year to 450+ in its second year. This camp provided young Jewish athletes (ages 10-16) the opportunity to participate in traditional camp activities and live with other Jewish athletes, all while learning sports and life skills from professional coaches and Jewish counselors. Children from 32 states and five countries spent the summer forming new friendships, developing their athletic talents, and exploring their Jewish identities.

This is the perfect place to send your children if they are an aspiring young Jewish athlete. For more information, visit the 6 Points website at www.6 points.urjcamps.org.

Alex Koch, a 16-year-old camper says, "Six Points was a great experience. I met a ton of new friends, I had a lot of fun with my sport, and I have drastically improved my game all while having fun in a Jewish environment. I feel so much closer and happier with myself religiously." ₽



Youth Director/Asst. Director of Education Andy Harkavy hanging out with campers Max Wallach and Alex Koch at URJ 6 Points Sports Academy in Greensboro.

# **Temple Beth El Religious School Registration Reminder**

PROCRASTINATE (pro·cras·ti·nate) Function: verb, intransitive senses: to put off intentionally the doing of something that should be done

If you have not returned your Religious School registration forms ... What are you waiting for? Some classes and/or sessions are already filled and we will not be able to grant your requests. In

The LJCC and Chabad of

Ballantyne are partnering to create

a pioneer program in the

Ballantyne area. This program has

been something that has been in

demand for a while now. For the

the Ballantyne Area

the event that we make a change, you will receive an email from the religious school office. Misplaced your forms? You can download them online at www.beth-el.com. School forms should be submitted all Temple with Annual Commitment forms.

Notification of class assignments will be mailed in the beginning of September. Religious School opening day is

**New! After School Enrichment Classes in** 



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first time ever we will be offering After School Enrichment Classes for grades K-5 in the Ballantyne area, all in a warm Jewish environment. Sports, art, music, dance, cooking and much more, will all be right around the corner from you. We will excite, stimulate and entertain your children for an hour after school Monday-Thursday, 4:30-5:30 PM. All classes will take place at the Elon Park Rec Center on Ardrey Kell Rd. right next to Sports Connection. No need to stick around, just drop off, run some errands and be back to pick them up. More details will be coming soon. You can also check our websites for more up to date information. www.charlottejcc.org or www.JewishBallantyne.com.

Don't forget, Chabad of Ballantyne is also opening a Hebrew School for the coming school year. Our Hebrew school offers a stimulating yet friendly environment where children embrace their Jewish roots and gain a true sense of Jewish pride,



Shai Widger shows off his art project at Chabad of Ballantyne.

no matter their level of observance or affiliation.

The Chabad Hebrew School is an innovative school that provides an academic and enjoyable environment where children acquire a broad knowledge of Judaism through a motivating and challenging venue. Through Hebrew reading, writing, Jewish history, holidays and more, the students gain an appreciation for the joys, values and traditions of our heritage as it is vividly brought to life by the dedicated and enthusiastic teachers whose creativity and dynamism make every lesson a

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