## Celebrating Fall Holidays at Chabad Ballantyne

Sukkot is a time for community and celebration, join Chabad of Ballantyne for an evening of inspiration, discussion, socializing and delicious food - our second annual Sushi in the Sukkah. With scrump-

tious kosher sushi and other delights you are guaranteed a great time

Saturday night, October 15, 9 PM

In our Ballantyne Sukkah, 11408 Snapfinger Dr.

Only \$10 a person or \$18 a

couple, Adults Only.

To RSVP or for more info call 704-246-8881 email info@JewishBallantyne.com, visit our website www.Jewish-Ballantyne.com.



Simchat Torah Family Celebration

During the month of Tishrei we prayed and we praised; we accepted God and asked to be accepted by Him. On Simchat Torah, we let pure joy take the stage in celebration of our Torah, our tradition and the

blessings we have received during the High Holidays and Sukkot. We conclude, and begin anew, the annual Torah reading cycle. It's a "wrap party" of sorts and you're invited.

Join the grand festivities on Thursday, October 20, 7:15 PM at Chabad of Ballantyne with L'chaim, a delicious Kiddush, flags and treats for the kids, special Children's program, fabulous dancing, and fun for the whole family free of charge.

Reminder: Yom Kippur Services are being held at Springhill Suites in Ballantyne, 12325 Johnston Rd. Please visit our website for exact times. \$\pm\$



## Party in the Sukkah - Just for Kids

A Sukkah Party - this one just for kids. All children of all ages are invited to join us for a spectacular evening of fun and games featuring our Sukkot Carnival which will include Candy Apples, Sukkah Cookies, Arts and Crafts, Face Painting, Shaking the Lulav and Etrog, and much more. The best part? Dinner is included.

Sunday, October 16, 4:30-6:30 PM

In our Ballantyne Sukkah, 11408 Snapfinger Dr.

\$15 per child (Free for our

Hebrew School students)
Ages 5 and up can be dropped off.

Under 5, a parent or adult must be present

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## "Give Me the Rock" Basketball is Alive and Well at the Charlotte JCC

By Rabbi Michael Shields

Judaism and basketball have been connected since the beginning of time. Well, at least the two would have been had Adam been given the "rock" by the Almighty. Of course I jest, but Jews have been involved in the game of basketball since it emerged from the urban streets of Philadelphia, Baltimore, and New York in the first three decades of the twentieth century. Only then, many of the stars had names like Dutch Garfinkel and Doc Sugerman.

While Jewish participation on

a semi-professional or professional level is not as widespread as it once was, Jewish basketball stars still shine bright; and wouldn't you know it, many of them play right here in Charlotte at the Levine Jewish Community

These players are a diverse crowd. Some rain three pointers like the frogs rained down on the Egyptians in the time of the Exodus. Some crash the boards and sweep out the opponent from the paint like the waters of the Sea of Reeds did to Pharoah's soldiers. Others seemingly turn their

defenders to immovable Pillars of Salt like Lot's Wife as they drive to the basket. And others like me just come to get some really good exercise.

If you are in search of a wonderful pick-up game of adult basketball where everyone gets to play and everyone's unique skills are welcomed, come out on Tuesday, Thursday mornings at 6 AM, and Fridays at 6 AM and 7:15 AM for some spirited, sweatinducing, and friendship forming



