

Bams 'n' Brunch

What: Hadassah and the LJCC's 7th annual Mah Jongg Marathon

Something New: You can enter as a group of four and play only with your friends, or enter as a single and move to different tables. The rules and prizes remain the same, no matter what.

Where: Gorelick Hall, Levine Jewish Community Center

When: January 15, 2012

Time: 12 noon-4:30 PM

Cost: \$20 for Hadassah members; \$25 for non members. Your check (sent with the coupon) is your reservation and must be received by Monday, January 1. Please send it to: Madeline Aron, 4940 Hardison Road, Charlotte, 28226, or you may leave it at the J in the Hadassah mailbox, with Mah Jongg Marathon written on the envelope. ☆

Time is Running Out

In honor of the 100th Anniversary of the founding of Hadassah, for calendar year 2011, Lifetime Membership is \$100. This is for all new and existing members, associates and child

life. December 31 is the deadline.

For further details and to join the "Celebration" and become a Life Member of this wonderful organization, please call Penny Krieger, 704-542-9402. ☆

Yes! I want to play in the Mah Jongg Marathon on January 15, 2012

Name
Phone
E-Mail

Level of Play (Please check one)

Experienced (timed): Novice (untimed): Learner (untimed):

Group of four. Please seat me with:

Check Enclosed: \$20 (Hadassah member)/\$25 (non-member) payable to Hadassah

..... I promise to bring my 2011 mah jongg card (extras will not be available)

..... I will bring my mah jongg set labeled with my name (you will stay at the table with your set)

..... I have ___1___ 2 ___3___ card tables Hadassah can borrow. I will label them with my name before Hadassah picks them up.

Any questions, please call Sandy Hoagland, 704-543-6338. Once again, Mary Gordan will be there selling mah jongg cards.

Youth Visions

Scott Fried Assures CHS Students –“You Are Enough”

On November 2, the Hebrew High community was privileged to hear from our friend Scott Fried. Scott spoke to students and parents about his life's journey from USY teen leader to HIV survivor. His openness about his own experiences gave students and parents the opportunity for frank dialog and new ways to bridge the generation gap.

The core of Scott's talk is that we are all "enough." Even though it seems as though our secrets (and everybody has them) are overwhelming, we are created in God's image and therefore we have value. We should not



A crowd of students and parents gather around Scott Fried after his presentation at Hebrew High.

enough. Scott's message, although aimed at teens, is a universal one. It is a message of tolerance, spirituality and hope.

Programs like the Scott Fried's visit are especially important to teens whose families are struggling financially. It is the deep conviction of the CHS Advisory Board and the two sponsoring temples, that no student be turned away from Hebrew High due to an inability to afford the program. To that end, the Advisory Board has created an endowed scholarship fund that will help defray the cost of

our program for students in need. You can help insure Jewish continuity by contributing to our scholarship fund. Please consider earmarking the funds for Hebrew High when making donations in honor, or memory of a friend or loved one. Donations can be made through Temple Beth El, Temple Israel, or directly to the Consolidated High School of Jewish Studies office.

When you give the gift of Jewish Education, you are investing in the future of the Jewish people. At Hebrew High we prepare our students for the challenges they will face on college campuses and beyond. Help us make sure

that no teen in Charlotte misses this opportunity. Please consider a gift to the CHS Scholarship Fund today.

Please call Roz at 704-944-6782 or email rcooper@shalom-charlotte.org for more information about donating to Hebrew High or enrolling your teen aged student. ☆



Ohavim BBG: Outstanding in October

By Mimi Brown

October was an amazing month in Ohavim BBG. We started off the month choosing our Stand Up cause. Stand Up! is BBYO's philanthropy, service and advocacy campaign. The regional Stand Up! cause is hunger, and each chapter around the region chooses a local organization to focus their chapter Stand Up campaign around. Ohavim chose Jewish Family Services (JFS) to support specifically as a chapter. Ohavim also got down to business in October. We had a "Boos!ness" meeting (business meeting) that was Halloween themed on the 18th to get some important planning done for upcoming chapter, city, and council wide events.

October was also Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Emily Johnson, our chapter Shlichah planned an amazing mother-daughter dinner at Wild East for all the BBGs and their moms to learn about breast cancer awareness. Emily brought in a wonderful guest speaker, Mrs. Sue Long, who told her story of her own triumphant battle with breast cancer. It was truly touching and very edifying. Thank you so much to



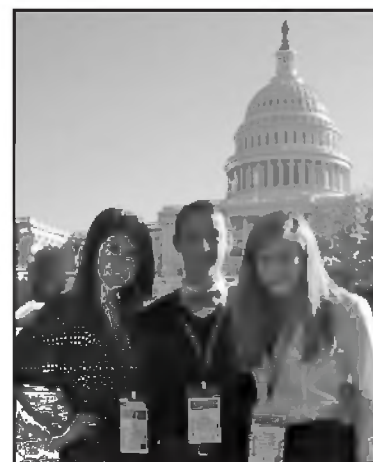
Heather Cheler, Ellis Aden, Maddie Breen, and Carla Jagodinski.

Emily Johnson for planning such a wonderful event.

In November, we had a fantastic month filled with MIT planned programs, bonding with our brother chapter, Hank Greenberg AZA, and, as always, had an amazing time together with our B'nai B'rith Girl sisters. ☆

Charlotte BBYO Teens Attend Schusterman Advocacy Institute High School Summit

Over 400 Jewish teens from across North America, including 130 BBYO members, three from Charlotte, met in Washington, DC, to participate in the Schusterman Advocacy Institute High School Summit. The teens that attended from Charlotte were Melanie Zimmermann, Brian Blanco, and Allie Michel. After two days of informational speakers, advocacy skills workshops, and sessions on the importance of the Israel American relationship, the conference culminated in a lobbying trip to Capitol Hill where the teens had the opportunity to lobby with a representative from Brad Miller's office. Melanie Zimmermann said, "Attending the AIPAC High School Summit opened my eyes to the fact that high school students could actually make a differ-



Allie Michel, Brian Blanco, and Melanie Zimmermann.

ence in our government but especially in the American-Israel relationship." The teens focused on three issues: the Iran Threat Reduction Act, continued public support for Israel, and bringing Israel and Palestine back to the table to negotiate peace. The teens will follow up in their local communities through BBYO's Israel initiative "Speak UP." ☆



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2011 ANNUAL MEETING & DESSERT RECEPTION

Honoring Myra Diuguid and Stephanie Goldman

Thursday, December 8, 2011 7 PM

Shalom Park Sam Lerner Center for Cultural Arts 5007 Providence Rd, Charlotte, NC

