High Holy Days and Beyond at Havurat Tikvah

The hot and hazy days of August might mark the end of summer, but at Havurat Tikvah they also mark new beginnings and a time of hopeful anticipation; we look forward to reconnecting with old friends, making new acquaintances, and preparing for High Holy Days and the year ahead.

We begin our journey with a festive Shabbat meal and songs on Friday, August 24 at 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall at Avondale Presbyterian Church, 2821 Park Road. Feel free to join us and bring a parve (vegetarian or dairy, peanut free) dish to share. As always, Erev Shabbat dinners are family friendly get-togethers designed to help us unwind from our hectic everyday lives and into a bit of Sabbath peace.

The journey continues as we look ahead to the High Holy Days and a full schedule of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur observances:

- * Rosh Hashanah Day 1, potluck lunch and Tashlich: 10 AM, Monday, September 17
- * Rosh Hashanah Day 2: 10 AM, Tuesday, September 18
- * Kol Nidre: 6:45 PM, Tuesday, September 25
- Yom Kippur, Yizkor/Healing, Mincha and Neilah: 10 AM,

Wednesday, September 26 * Break the Fast approximately

If you are looking for a place to celebrate the holidays we invite you to join us for our member-led services (see the contact information below). First time attendees and college students are always welcome to participate at no cost.

The year beyond the High Holy Days is rapidly taking shape as well. We'll continue our tradition of monthly Community Shabbat services, holiday observances, and family friendly activities. Our popular Israeli film series, part of the adult education program, will resume and we look forward to the upcoming activities of "Mitzvahs in Action," the Havurat Tikvah

Our year-round Social Action activities with Project Linus, the Dilworth Soup Kitchen, and Room At The Inn also continue for the coming year. Consider lending a hand as we make Project Linus "security blankets" for children who are seriously ill, traumatized, or otherwise in need. And to learn more about volunteer opportunities at the soup kitchen, visit their facebook page: http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=771341

In any look towards the future,





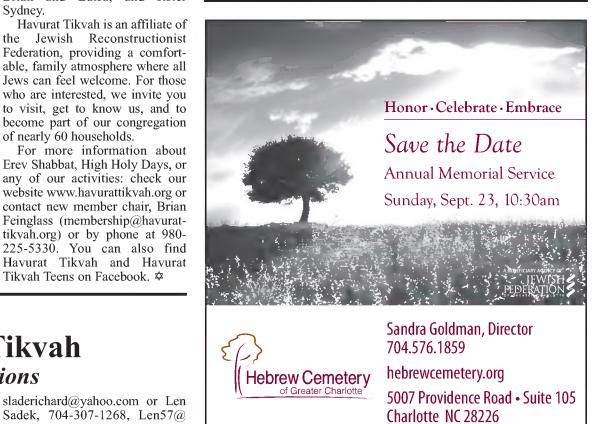
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there's always room for savoring the past. Thus, we send congratulations to Brooke Feinglass who was called to the Torah this summer to become a Bat Mitzvah. Mazel tov to Brooke, parents Brian and Luisa, and sister Sydney.

Havurat Tikvah is an affiliate of the Jewish Reconstructionist Federation, providing a comfortable, family atmosphere where all Jews can feel welcome. For those who are interested, we invite you to visit, get to know us, and to become part of our congregation of nearly 60 households.

For more information about Erev Shabbat, High Holy Days, or any of our activities: check our website www.havurattikvah.org or contact new member chair, Brian Feinglass (membership@havurattikvah.org) or by phone at 980-225-5330. You can also find Havurat Tikvah and Havurat Tikvah Teens on Facebook. ❖





United Lake Norman Jewish Congregations Become Kol Tikvah

New Name Reflects Community Aspirations

The new name for the single Jewish congregation is now Temple Kol Tikvah of Lake Norman. The name, Kol Tikvah, is Hebrew for voice of hope and was selected by a popular vote of the members of the community.

'We are very pleased with the name chosen by our members,' remarked Slade Goldstein, copresident of the congregation. "It conveys our aspirations to be a positive force for our members and the Lake Norman community," he added.

Rabbi Michael Shields, Kol Tikvah's spiritual leader, noted, "Kol Tikvah is very appropriate for this community In the book of Joshua, the word 'tikvah' refers to a cord of thread and also connotes expectation, attachment, searching, and waiting. Taken all together one could say that we are bound together by a sacred thread. As one of my colleagues once

wrote, 'Hope is a thread, however elusive, that links us to a possible future. It demands that we take hold of it; otherwise, it is just a loose thread."

"Our new name is just the first step," commented Len Sadek, copresident. "We now have an identity that sets the tone for who we are and who we want to become."

Temple Kol Tikvah of Lake Norman can be found on the web at www.templekoltikvah.org.

The congregation of 175 families expects to officially launch during the Jewish High Holidays, in the fall of 2012 and is currently establishing governing boards, launching a religious school, continuing programs for celebrating Bar and Bat Mitzvahs and other life cycle events, and affiliating with the Union for Reform Judaism.

For more information contact: Slade Goldstein, 704-701-4454,

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Rubin-Schlansky/Terkel Engagement

Hannah Rubin-Schlansky, daughter of Carol Rubin and Dr. Howard Schlansky, and Andrew Terkel, son of Amy and Arnold Terkel of Charlotte, N.C. are thrilled to announce their recent engagement. She is the granddaughter of the late Rabbi Alvan Rubin and Ruth Ann Rubin, and Siril Schlansky and the late Dr.



Seymour Schlansky. He is the grandson of Marilyn Kulick of Tulsa, OK. They met during their first year of HUC studies in Jerusalem, Israel. A September 2012 wedding is planned. ❖

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