

Ohavim BBG

By Maddie Gorelick

October was a very exciting month for Ohavim BBG. We kicked off National Breast Cancer Awareness Month with a great program centered on breast cancer awareness and fitness. We also held our Annual Mother-Daughter Breast Cancer Awareness dinner at Wan Fu. Held since our chapter's founding, this yearly dinner has become a beloved tradition for all Ohavim sisters. While enjoying Chinese food, we listened to a special guest speaker, learned more about breast cancer, and held a raffle. The lucky winners walked away with a wide variety of goodies, and all of the proceeds were donated to support breast cancer research.

This year, we are proud and excited to welcome eight new mem-

bers (and counting) into our sisterhood. The new members had a wonderful time making friends and learning all about BBYO at Eastern Region's new member convention, MIT/AIT. At Camp Weaver, in Greensboro, they connected with teens in North Carolina and Virginia and came home ready to dive head first into BBYO.

Between our chapter bake sale, meaningful programs, and welcoming new members, we are having a great year so far, bonding with our new sisters and strengthening our sisterhood. We are incredibly excited to see what the rest of the year has in store for Ohavim. ☆

SYNAGOGUES & CONGREGATIONS

Giant Balloon Menorah Lighting at StoneCrest

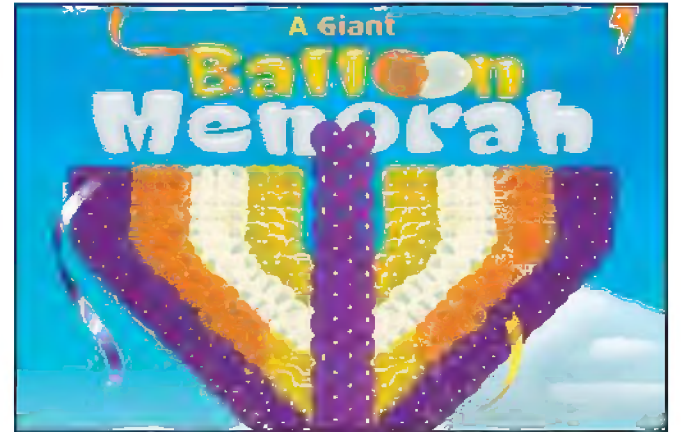
Join us for an unbelievable experience and help us light Charlotte's first Balloon Menorah at StoneCrest for the second year in a row. Bring your family and friends for an amazing Chanukah night including games, activities, crafts, hot drinks, donuts and latkes.

Tuesday, December 8, 5:30 PM

At StoneCrest Shopping Center

This event is free.

Visit www.JewishBallantyne.com for more details. ☆



CGI Ballantyne Winter Camp

After our second incredible and successful summer, CGI Ballantyne is back and offering an amazing Winter Camp experience for your children. With activities, games, exciting Jewish themes, daily trips, crafts and much more,

your children will have a blast every single day. Our handpicked staff are experienced, energetic and fun loving camp counselors, who love working with children.

Monday through Friday, December 21-25, 9 AM-3:30 PM. Extended care available upon request. For children ages 3-11.

Children will be split by age: Preschool, K - 3rd, 4th - 6th

Pricing per child:

Register for one day or for the entire week.

\$45 a day or \$200 for the week (includes a hot kosher lunch each day).

Camp will be located at the Ballantyne Jewish Center, 8632 Bryant Farms Rd.

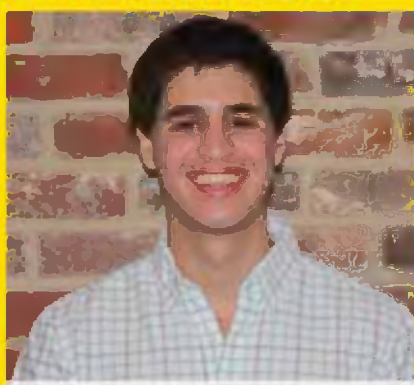
To register, or for more information, contact Leah Levin, Leah@JewishBallantyne.com or 704-246-8881 or visit our website www.CGIBallantyne.com.

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The girls of Ohavim raising money for BBYO's ISF Education Fund.

CJDS pointed me in the right direction!



Scott Cronson, Sophomore
NC State, Mechanical Engineering

Join Us!

Wednesday, October 28
8:30am-2:30pm

Admissions Open House -
Come for your private tour.

Friday, October 30
Morning Preschool Visitation

Attending the Charlotte Jewish Day School was crucial to who I am today. At a young age, the teachers and atmosphere provided a place where students begin to grow. They taught strong moral values through religious stories, provided a safe atmosphere for students to cultivate their interests, and instilled a strong educational foundation through skilled teachers, independent learning tracks, small class sizes, and personalized attention.

I am currently a student at NC State majoring in Mechanical Engineering with a minor in Business. As any good designer knows, a structure is only as stable as the support upon which it's built. I believe this to be true in many aspects of life. Ice cream only lasts as long as the integrity of the cone holds, skyscrapers are only as sturdy as the floors beneath them, and a person's character is only as respectable as the values on which it was raised.

From an early age, CJDS provided me with a strong academic foundation. This allowed me to be more than prepared going into middle school and subsequently high school and college.

In addition to academics, CJDS imparted moral values through their annual school-wide mottos. Most of the themes, discussed during assemblies, guided talks and education programs, were centralized around being a Mensch in all walks of life. These lessons acted as the brick and mortar that hold the structure of my character together.

Today I am active on my college campus, as a University Scholar, current service chair of my fraternity, a committee leader of the Engineering Council, and a heavy participant in intramural sports. I hold myself to a high academic standard while also making sure not to take life too seriously. I have been fortunate to have two engineering internships, giving me essential insight into and guidance for my career path. This, along with strong academics, elevates me to higher floors of my life's structure.

I believe my time at CJDS provided structure, guidance, and direction regarding how to construct my life. I learned important lessons applicable to both the classroom and the real world; and because of CJDS, I am able to withstand any earthquakes life throws my way.



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