

## Jewish Family Services

## **Annual Family to Family Campaign** Kicks Off as We Celebrate **Our First 36 Years**

It was 1980, and the Jewish population of Charlotte was exploding as the city emerged as a banking and corporate center of the sunbelt South. Soviet Jews had been immigrating to Charlotte since 1974 and there were 3,300 Jews living in Charlotte. Shalom Park, as we know it today, did not yet exist.

The number of Jewish Russians immigrating to Charlotte was increasing and they needed assistance. Members of the Jewish community and the staff and board of the Jewish Federation saw that need and Jewish Family Services of Greater Charlotte was formed.

For the past 36 years, people have turned to Jewish Family Services for help. First for help resettling in a foreign country, and then for additional social services such as vocational and financial assistance. During our first decade, JFS recognized the need for a counseling center and hired our first part-time therapist with the goal of providing low cost therapy to those in need. In 1977, the counseling program grew and we started accepting insurance, Medicare and Medicaid.

Today, Jewish Family Services

provides mental health counseling, financial assistance, outreach to seniors and their family members, support, education and resources. We treat each person as an individual. We look at their entire situation to determine what resources they need, and together we help them find solutions that provide long-term stability.

We couldn't accomplish this without the generous support of our community. You provide the resources to give families in our community hope. When you make a donation to the annual Family to Family campaign, you restore hope, dignity, and meaning when life's struggles appear insurmountable.

Your tax-deductible gift to the annual Family to Family campaign makes a local, personal, and enduring impact by improving the lives of people facing financial instability, emotional, and mental health issues and the numerous other challenges that each of us encounters throughout our lives.

Whether you are a first-time donor, or long-time friend, we thank you for supporting us in 36 years of service to our community



with a meaningful gift.

This month, volunteers will begin making phone calls for your pledge. Save us a call and make your pledge or payment today either online at jfscharlotte.org, by phone at 704-364-6594 or by mail to JFS, 5007 Providence Road, Suite 105, Charlotte, NC 28226. Thank you for your support.

To learn more about our history and future, please visit www.jfscharlotte.org.

Sources: Goldring-Woldenberg Institute of Southern Jewish Life and Spiezman, Morris. The Jews of Charlotte: A Chronicle with Commentary and Conjectures. (Charlotte: McNally and Loftin, 1978).

JFS welcomes the following new families to our Legacy Family Circle

Jennifer Cohen Golynsky and Leon Golynsky

Contact Howard Olshansky at 704-944-6770 to discuss ways vou can include JFS in your estate planning and ensure that we will be a viable source of community support for future generations who will face new challenges. ♥



Jewish Family Services received the following donations for Tribute Cards in May. Thank you for allowing JFS to honor your friends and loved ones. IN MEMORY OF

Abe Bober to Bette Bober, from Max and Susan Greenman, Shirley Wasserman, Florence Jaffa

Dora Lisman to Alec Felder, from Jonathan and Stephanie Simon, Shirley Goodman, Jerome and Elaine Blumenthal, Florence Jaffa, David and Marion Kronovet, Matt Luftglass and Meg Goldstein, Max and Susan Greenman, Jeff and Wendy Kornegay, Dana and Vicki McKittrick, The Meggs Family, Kenneth and Lynn Sass

Stan Grey to Anita Grey, from Max and Susan Greenman

The mother of Steven Hoagland, from Alan and Madeline Aron

The mother of Irene Kra, from Michael and Judie Van Glish

Bob Sak to Mrs. Robert Sak, from David and Marion Kronovet

Ralph Lawrance to Bonnie Lawrance, from Arnie and Helaine Stone

Michael Schreibman to Sara Schreibman, from Dan and Nancy Coblenz

The sister of David Sinder-

brand, from Arnie and Helaine Stone

Morton Turk, from Ben and Susan Aizenman, Alan and Madeline Aron, Board and Staff of the Alper JCC, Douglas and Paula Gentile, Alan and Ruth Goldberg, Martin and Roslyn Husney, Florence Jaffa, Robert and Judith Kiene, Sandra Lauer, Eric and Susan Lerner, Ben and Margie Liebstein, Harriet Meetz, Steven and Susan Meyer, Amin Mourad and Ellen Whitten, Linda C. Seigel, Jonathan and Stephanie Simon, Eric and Lori Sklut, Arnie and Helaine Stone, Judy Tager, Anita Turk, Marvin and Phoebe Witte

Benjamin Weinreb to Gary, Ben, and Goldie Weinreb from James and Dana Maloney, Catherine Jillings

Doris Widis to Larry and Florence Widis, from Daniel and Nancy Coblenz

Martha, the mother of Judy Zielonka, from Lynn and Myron Slutsky

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

Audry Borgenicht on your Birthday, from Celia Mandel Sheila Kasten, from Lillian Buller

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## AUDITIONS

4th graders – Adults

No preparation necessary

Saturday, August 27

## Sunday, August 28

12:30pm 4th, 5th & 6th graders for Principal Roles
2:00–2:30pm Mandatory Meeting for New Families
2:30–3:30pm Mandatory Full Cast Auditions
4:00–7:00pm
Rehearsals
Tech Week Mon 11/28 – Thurs 12/1, 4:30-8:30pm
Performance Dates Dec 3, 4, 10 & 11 at 2pm & 7pm

Member/\$140 Benefactor/\$84 Non-Member/\$150 (fee is for under 18 years old, includes 2 tickets & DVD)

See Fall Progr**am G**ui**de at ch**arlottejcc.org for

**JSTAGE Jr.** Grades K–3

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and invite you to join our 36th annual Family to Family campaign STAGE