

Chabad's New Expansion Is on the Drawing Board

Chabad of Charlotte is in midst of an ongoing building campaign to build a new sanctuary for its Congregation Ohr HaTorah, plus a social hall and commercial kosher kitchen on its Sardis Road property. The motivation for this expansion project rises from a need of adequate space for its services and multitude of activities including Friendship Circle, JLI, and Talmud Torah.

Several members of the Charlotte Jewish community have stepped up to get the campaign started by pledging close to half of the needed funds for this monumental project. A small but effective group of supporters will be spearheading the effort to raise the rest of the funds needed to complete the project.

A special building committee has been formed to help design the new addition and work closely with architects and engineers who will be designing the new building. The committee is led by Arthur Oudmayer, design principal of Vision Builders USA, and a member of Ohr HaTorah. "We are excited to announce the appointment of Bill Monroe, President of WGM Design, as our architect-of-record for the new Chabad Centre and Synagogue on Sardis Rd.," said Oudmayer. WGM Design is an architectural practice celebrating almost thirty years in the industry. They are headquartered in

uptown Charlotte and have a prolific portfolio of institutional and liturgic architectural design.

Having already completed their initial phase of research, interviews, and surveying, WGM Design will shortly be presenting the initial design schematic to the Building Committee for review and approval. We anticipate the Design Development and Construction Drawing phases to be completed by April.

The new expansion will house a unique teen activity area for Jewish teens with an added space billed as the Friendship Circle zone.

Barry Klemons, president of the board of Ohr HaTorah, is optimistic on the potential growth of the congregation and is excited about the expansion project as it will give the synagogue needed space to accommodate its many services and programs. Barry who has extensive building experience also serves on the building committee.

More detailed information will be forthcoming in future issues of the Charlotte Jewish News and it can also be accessed at www.chabadnc.org/building. ✪

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members of our own community. Stay tuned for more details as we get closer.

Please contact Sharon.goretsky@gmail.com with any questions. ✪

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