

This 'n That

At the recent B'nai B'rith Youth Organization's Spring Council Convention held in Greensboro, NC, the following young people were installed as NC BBYO Council officers: Jodi Mond, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Mond, as N'siah (Pres. BBG); Evin Somerstein, son of Dr. and Mrs. David Somerstein, as Godol (Pres. AZA); Eric Lerner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Lerner, as Mazkir (Secr. and Jewish Awareness chairman AZA.)

The Charlotte Board of Realtors presented industrialist Morris Speizman with its first Community Service Award in recognition of his work for Mercy Hospital and several Jewish organizations. Mr. Speizman received a plaque and a check for \$500 to go to the charity of his choice. He designated it to go to the Special Olympics and the Women's Council of Realtors gave an additional \$500 to that organization as well.



Morris Speizman

In the 1984 Charlotte Quilters' Guild Show held recently, the following won awards: Sue Alvarez, first place for wall hangings; Carol Weiner, third place for wall hangings. Sue also won the Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Gaddy Purchase Award for wall hangings at the Mordecai Square Historical Society needlework competition.

Listed on the fall semester Chancellor's list at UNCC are Heidi Rosenfeld, Daniel Levin, Miriam Spitzer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Spitzer, and Scott Gaynor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Gaynor. Cynthia Farbman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Farbman, is on the Dean's list at UNC-G.

Michelle Fletcher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Kridel, is the new president of the Youth Group at Temple Beth Shalom.

Jimmy Langman, son of Ann Langman and Don Langman, and Jaime Levine, daughter of Maxine Levine and Al Levine, recently attended the Close-Up Foundation's trip to Washington with a group of other East Mecklenburg High School students.

Linda Carter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Smith, has received a B.A. in psychology from UNC-CH.

Harriet Mottzman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mottzman, has been employed as a curriculum specialist in reading by Johnson C. Smith University.

Darren Mond, son of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Mond, was awarded the esteemed George McAuley/Marty Sowers Service Award from ZBT fraternity at UNC-CH. At their 57th Anniversary banquet Darren was also recognized by "The Little Sisters" of ZBT as their "favorite brother" and presented with a gift. What could be more fitting than a traveling bar for a graduating senior majoring in chemistry!

SPECIAL NOTICE

Graduation is just around the corner. As has been our policy in the past we print a listing of our high school and college graduates in our June/July issue.

Please let us know by no later than **May 5** your child's name, the school from which she/he is graduating, whether they are going on with their education (and where), what degree they are receiving and if they are graduating with honors. It's a proud day for them and the "CJN" would like to honor them.

Kindly send all information to the attention of: Editor, Charlotte Jewish News, P.O. Box 220188, Charlotte, NC 28222.



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This year two students will graduate from the N.C. Hebrew Academy. We asked them to share with us their thoughts on leaving the school.

What the Hebrew Academy Means to Me

By Carrie Lambert

The Academy is a very special school. From it I learned so much from the multiplication tables to the meaning of helping, from long division to the history of Israel. Indeed, without it I would not be the same, and going to the Hebrew Academy was an experience I will never forget.

The teachers at the Academy have always been friendly, warm and caring. They are the people who have contributed so much to my personality, to me. The Hebrew Academy has a very special atmosphere. It isn't just that the school is small that makes it feel like one big family at the Academy, it's everyone being Jewish. No one feels like an outsider because they're Jewish, because we're all the same. The Judaica classes are very special. We learn Jewish history, and we also learn about Tzedaka - charity, giving and caring. In my time at the Hebrew Academy I've participated in many Judaica plays, but to me the most special were the performances for the residents of the Blumenthal Home for the Aged. Every year the school goes there at Purim and we perform a Purim-related play. There is a very special feeling that comes from helping and that's something I've learned at the Hebrew Academy.

The Academy made me a person, and going to the school was an enriching experience. It is with great regret that I end this happy stage in my life.

My Experiences at the Hebrew Academy

By David Brenner

I have been in the Hebrew Academy for seven years and now I am graduating. It was a great experience. I learned a lot at the Academy. I particularly liked Judaica. I enjoyed learning about Jewish history. When I read the stories, I feel like I am in them. I also enjoyed Language Arts. I liked to write stories so that I could put my creativity to work.

Next year I will be going to Charlotte Latin School. I hope it will be as good for me as the Academy, even though it doesn't teach Jewish subjects.

If you are a parent, I would advise you to send your children to the Hebrew Academy from Kindergarten to Sixth Grade.

An Interview with Ilan Weinglass Conducted by Lila Shapiro

Currently one of the Hebrew Academy students, Ilan Weinglass, has a column featured in the Young Observer, a section of the newspaper for kids. He writes answers to questions people have about computers. The column has been a success, and I interviewed Ilan to see how he feels about his article.

Q: How did you feel when the Observer asked you to do the computer column?

A: I felt very excited. I felt like I was doing something very important.

Q: Why do you enjoy working with computers?

A: I enjoy working with computers because I was raised with computers and it is a very big challenge to use them.

Q: When did you start working with computers?

A: I started working with computers in about the summer of 1982.

Q: Is it a lot of work doing the column?

A: Yes, it takes a lot of effort and concentration.

Q: What are your plans for the future?

A: I'm not sure yet.

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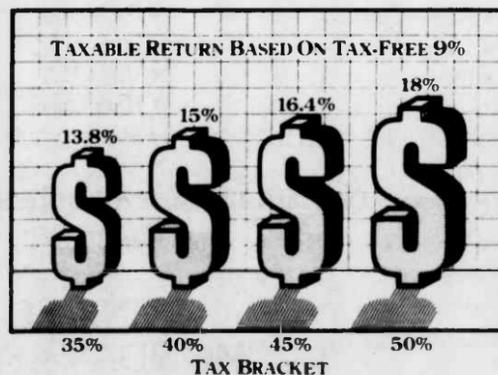
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