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Charlotte Federation Honored at GA in New Orleans

The Charlotte Jewish Federation was triply honored at the annual meeting of the General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations, which was held this year in New Orleans on Nov. 16-20. The first honor was an acknowledgment of the 50th Anniversary of the Charlotte Jewish Federation.

The next and a very special honor was the presentation of the coveted Shroder Award to the Federation for the work done by Jewish Family Services' Task Force of the Physically Disabled, culminating in the Barrier Awareness Day held at Shalom Park on Feb. 21, 1988. The Shroder Award is given to three communities throughout the U.S. who present the most creative programming idea using community resources. Charlotte won the award for the best

programming idea in a small city.

Adrienne Rosenberg, ACSW, Director of Jewish Family Services, was a presenter at a session of the General Assembly and explained the work of this task force. A video of the day was also available for preview. Jewish Family Services is a branch of the Charlotte Jewish Federation.

"We as a community are, indeed, proud of all our volunteers who serve on the Task Force of the Physically Disabled," said Bobbi Bernstein, president of the Federation. "Their efforts and advocacy help ensure our local community and serve the needs of all Jews in Charlotte."

The third presentation was a silver award given by the GAF Public Relations Committee for an invitation for one of our Women's Division events.

Show Your Support at Soviet Jewry Rally

The entire Charlotte and neighboring communities are invited to come share in an evening dedicated to Soviet Refuseniks.

December 11 was chosen as the day for this rally as it is the United Nation Women's Plea for Human Rights Day. What a better way to commemorate this day!

The evening will begin with this day having been declared Soviet Jewry Day by the City of Charlotte. A film put together by B'nai B'rith Women on Ida Nudel's struggle for freedom will be shown. Linda Fleishman, a national board member of Hadassah, will speak. Ms. Fleishman, a woman dedicated to both Jewish and civic voluntary service, received the first Annual North Carolina Human Services Award, a tribute pre-

sented by the State of North Carolina. Through her involvement with Hadassah, she was one of nine participants in a special mission to visit Refuseniks in the Soviet Union in March 1988. This experience proved to be extremely emotional, very enlightening and unforgettable. Kathleen McClain, religious writer for *The Charlotte Observer*, will be honored for her continued support with Soviet Jewry. Concluding the program will be the lighting of a menorah in honor of eight Refusenik children. Steven Haas will lead us in songs during this ceremony.

The success of the evening depends on your presence which is so vital to this ongoing plea for freedom. Please bring a Chanukah present for a Refusenik to show your support of Soviet Jewry and cele-



Linda Fleishman

brate for those who can not. You can make a difference!

The rally is being sponsored by HaLailah and Charlotte Chapters B'nai B'rith Women, Hadassah, and the CRC Committee of the Charlotte Jewish Federation.

Volunteers Preparing for A Super 'Super Sunday'

On Sunday, January 15, more than 80 volunteers will be making calls to men and women of the Jewish community asking for their pledge to the 1989 Federation Campaign.

The community goal for this year is \$1.4 million and we know everyone will do their part in reaching it. It is so important that each man and woman answer their call and make their individual pledge on Super Sunday.

Through cards, letters and *The Charlotte Jewish News*, we hope to help everyone understand why their pledge is so important and how it touches so many lives worldwide as well as family and friends at home.

We have moved Super Sunday back to January because of timing and availability. But for those who still wish to make and pay their Super Sunday pledge before December 31, you may do so by mailing your check and note to the Federation office.

On Super Sunday, Gorelick Hall will be filled with excitement, fun and eagerness by all who enter. We urge everyone who comes by Shalom Park to come see what we are doing and how the money we raise helps.

Again this year we will offer babysitting services to our volunteers. Please let us know in advance so that we can make the proper preparations.

Much thanks goes to Wendy Rosen, Super Sunday chairperson, and her committee:



Wendy Rosen

Dee and Phil Kridel, Maddie Joffe, Sandra Weinstein, Ellen Goldberg, Richard Bober, Simon Estroff, Steve Menaker and Marilee Ford, who have been working hard to organize Super Sunday.

Special thank yous go to Phil Joffe for his help with the mailings and to Simon Estroff who will be doing our training. And of course we can never forget the volunteers from the organizations and institutions who will be making the calls.

PLEASE answer your call on January 15 and DON'T PUT JEWISH NEEDS ON HOLD.

UJA Raises Millions in Pace-Setting Events in Israel

UJA Square Dedicated in Jerusalem

In a series of pace-setting UJA fundraising events in Israel recently, \$38.8 million was announced from over 1,000 participants from 70 U.S. communities.

One major event alone, the Jubilee Mission, raised \$22,351,000, including \$1.2 million for Project Renewal, the successful partnership program of American Jews and Israelis to help rehabilitate distressed Israeli neighborhoods.

UJA National Vice Chairman David B. Hermelin of Detroit, Jubilee Mission Chairman, announced that the amount represented an overall 29 percent increase over pledges made by the same donors last year.

"The success of this Mission is the greatest 50th birthday present that the UJA could have asked for," Hermelin said. "Not only did we see a substantial rise in commitments to the UJA/Federation Campaign, but we demonstrated that the partnership between American Jewry and Israel is as strong as it has ever been."

During five days of inten-

sive programming in Israel, Mission participants saw their funds in action at Jewish Agency schools for new immigrant children, rural community development programs, Project Renewal neighborhood community centers and American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee (JDC) facilities for the aged.

In Jerusalem, Mission participants marched near the Knesset junction, where Mayor Teddy Kollek joined Morton A. Kornreich, UJA National Chairman, and Bobi Klotz, UJA National Women's Division Chairman, for the dedication ceremony of KI-

KAR HAMAGBIT — UJA Square. The Jubilee Mission then moved to a colorful outdoor festival in Jerusalem's Liberty Bell Park, featuring Israeli artists and entertainment troupes, many from Project Renewal neighborhoods.

The Jubilee Mission, the first in a series of special events marking the 50th anniversary of the founding of the UJA, was welcomed to Israel by Minister of Foreign Affairs Shimon Peres.

At the Mission's farewell dinner, Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir addressed the

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Soviet Jewry Rally

Sunday, December 11
Shalom Park 7-9 p.m.



Everyone is invited to come learn more about Soviet Jewry.

- Linda Fleishman, a national board member of Hadassah, will speak.
- December 11, 1988 will be declared Soviet Jewry Day.
- Film presentation of Ida Nudel
- Kathleen McClain, religious editor of *The Charlotte Observer*, to be honored.
- Candlelighting in honor of all Refuseniks; musical presentation by Steven Haas

On this last day of Chanukah, celebrate your heritage for all the Refuseniks who can not.

Admittance: Chanukah present for a Refusenik