

Tween/Teen Happenings

BBYO

B'NAI B'RITH YOUTH ORGANIZATION

JCC sponsors B'nai B'rith Youth Organization as THE teen program in Charlotte. BBYO is open to interested 9th-12th graders in the community. Participants are involved with Judaic programs, community service projects, social and recreational programs. Additionally, BBYO offers our Jewish youth the opportunity to lead as it is a youth led, staff assisted program. For more information contact BBYO advisors: BBG — Lauren Stark or AZA — Philip Stark or Darren Mond. You can also contact Jodi Mond, Director of Teen Services at the JCC, 366-5007.

\$25 Yearly Dues

UPCOMING BBYO CONVENTIONS

Feb. 9-11 Sweetheart Beau — Charlotte, NC
Apr. 20-22 Spring Council — Camp Hanes

TEEN CONNECTION

Teen Connection is a program that is designed specifically for teens in grades 7-8. This is a pilot program of BBYO, which is one of the very few throughout the country. The teens plan monthly programs in areas of recreational, social, cultural, educational and Judaic activities. If you are interested in Teen Connection, please contact Jodi Mond, Director of Teen Services, 366-5007.

\$25 Yearly Dues

CLUBS

CLUB 56 — THE DINNER HOUR

It's 6 p.m. and it's time for dinner. Stay at the JCC and create your favorite dishes. What an opportunity, enjoying the dinner hour with the meal you've prepared with your friends. It will be cancelled if we do not have a minimum of five students registered. You must register at least one week prior to THE DINNER HOUR.

Instructor: Jodi Mond

TH 6-7:15 p.m.

Jan. 4, Feb. 1,

Mar. 1, Apr. 5

Sessions: 4

Grades: 5-6

\$12 Series \$4 ea./M

\$16 Series \$5 ea./NM

Minimum: 5 students

ON THE GO WITH TEENS/TWEENS

Spend your Monday
With the "J"

We'll venture out the entire day.

We'll have lunch and a snack too,

A great time will be had by each of you!

Don't forget to pack a dairy lunch...

We'll provide the snack.

Instructor: Jodi Mond

Jan. 15, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Grades: 5-8

\$10 M / \$15 NM

Registration deadline: Jan. 12

MITZVAH CORPS

7-12 graders — did you ever want to do something rewarding? If you have a small amount of free time, this is what you are looking for. We have volunteer jobs available for you. Help someone who needs a ride to the grocery store, just someone to talk to and any other mitzvah. If you are interested, please call Jodi Mond, Director of Teen Services, 366-5007.



Chai Chaverim Brings Home The Gold at Winter Cultural

By Elizabeth Nordin

Winter Cultural, the North Carolina BBG, AZA and BBYO contest convention, was held at Shalom Park on December 1-3.

While all of the participants did an outstanding job, Chai Chaverim, with a cartoon theme, won an amazing number of awards including ten first and three second place prizes. In first place the chapter won: Eastern Region Pep Song, NC Council Pep Song, Chapter Song, T-Shirt, Banner, Scrapbook, Mascot, and Israeli Dance. Sara Hopkins received first place in BBG impromptu and Michelle Steiner was awarded first in BBG Originality Plus, a creative arts competition. Chai Chaverim was awarded second in MIT Song and Chapter Cheer with Amy Scher winning second in

BBG Storytelling. Obviously, the chapter spent many long hours perfecting their materials.

It really wouldn't be fair to mention Chai Chaverim's awards without listing the awards of their brother chapter, Mickey Barak Aberman (MBA), who also did a great job. They won first place in AZA video and tied with SSP from Greensboro for AZA T-Shirt. Scott Blacker won an individual first prize in AZA Oratory. MBA came in second in AIT Song and AZA Banner and Skit. Individual seconds were awarded to Kevin Besnoy for AZA Impromptu and to Scott Silverstein for AZA Storytelling. Peter Kaye was given the "Most Spirited Aleph" award.

Both of Charlotte's chapters did an outstanding job at Winter Cultural.

Teen Connection

By Jody Siegel

After a lock-in at the JCC in November, Teen Connection held a meeting and supper party to plan the events for the upcoming months. Some of the events that have been planned are a bowling day, rollerskating and a ski trip. On Dec. 10, Teen Connection participated in making a mural for the JCC in celebrating Chanukah. The mural was displayed in the JCC during the holidays for everyone to enjoy.

On Jan. 30, Teen Connection will be sponsoring a Peer Pressure Program at the JCC, along with the other youth organizations in the Jewish community. This program is open to all youth.

On Feb. 16-18, Charlotte Teen Connection will be venturing to Virginia for their first Teen Connection Convention. Participants will be coming from Richmond, Norfolk and Washington, D.C.

If you haven't joined yet, you should. We're planning a lot of different programs. It's only \$25 to join. Teen Connection already has 23 members and we are adding additional members every day. If you are interested in Teen Connection, call Jodi Mond at the 'J,' 366-5007.

College Caravan

10th-12th graders

Spend your holidays off from school visiting various universities in the Research Triangle Park. Plan for your future now! You will have the opportunity to tour the campuses, meet students and faculty, visit Jewish fraternities/sororities and sit in on an information session conducted by a counselor at each university.

Schedule

Sunday, January 21, 1989

Arrival and visits with students at UNC-Chapel Hill

Monday, January 22, 1989

North Carolina State University
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

We will be leaving the JCC at 4 p.m. on Sunday, January 21 and will return to the JCC at 8 p.m. on Monday, January 22. Remember that on Monday the teens have a teacher work day. Don't miss out on this opportunity — Register Now! Fee is \$50/members; \$70/non-members. Fee includes all meals, hotel lodging, transportation and supervision.

You must pre-register your child by January 14, 1990. For further information, please call Jodi at the 'J,' 366-5007.

Kadima Hosts Convention

On Nov. 17-19, Temple Israel Kadima hosted United Synagogues Fall Sub-Regional Convention. Kadima chapters that participated were Charlotte; Birmingham, Alabama; Atlanta, Georgia; Charleston, SC; Columbia, SC; Greenville, SC; and Spartanburg, SC. All in all, 130 young people participated in a very full and action-packed weekend. All chapters took part

in the weekend by leading services. Charlotte took care of all other details concerning the weekend. So many kids as well as parents worked together to make our weekend the success it was. I thank everyone involved, and especially Rebecca Hockfield and Michael Fox for chairing the convention.

— Devin Schwartz
President

Peer Pressure Program to be Held

By Jodi Mond

Director of Teen Services

On Tuesday, Jan. 30, the JCC, along with USY, BBYO, Teen Connection and Kadima, will be sponsoring a Peer Pressure program conducted by professionals of The Relatives. The Relatives is "a family crisis intervention and counseling center offering a safe alternative to the streets and jail for troubled youth." The professionals will give the teens an opportunity to interact with them throughout the program. Some of the topics that will be covered are pressures of today's youth, drugs amongst our teens and how to work with one another when working in a group. The program will begin at 6 p.m. starting with a supper and ending at 8 p.m. The cost for this program is \$3. Parents are welcome to attend with their children. Don't miss out on these pertinent issues that will be discussed at this program. Please preregister at the JCC. For further questions call Jodi, 366-5007.

Teens, this is your page. Send in your news, stories, poetry, etc. to Jodi Mond at the 'J'.

News from USY

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Sub-Regional Convention

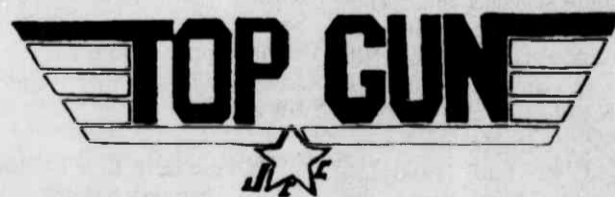
On December 1, USY traveled to Marietta, GA for the Ein Gedi Sub-Regional Convention. The theme for the weekend was "Jewish Humor." T-Y should be commended for successfully conducting Friday evening services (we'll overlook Lee Shapiro's rendition of Yigdal).

Saturday night our chapter prepared a skit for the Gong Show, and amazingly enough we got gonged. It must have happened because I said my line at the wrong place and Elisa Waldman got a run in her \$9.50 pair of hose. Afterward a formal dance was held.

The convention was wrapped

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Teen Intramural Sports And Fitness League



This new and innovative program is designed to assist our teens in reaching their "personal best" in health and fitness. "Top Gun" will encourage teens to make their personal health a TOP PRIORITY! Through a wide array of activities, ranging from sports leagues, individualized strength training, aerobics and weight and nutritional management, teens will learn how to take control of their health and fitness. High school teens...for you to have a bright tomorrow, you have to put a premium on your health and fitness today! Don't miss out...be a part of "Top Gun," an intramural sports and fitness league developed just for YOU!!

"TOP GUN" includes:

5 week basketball league weight training (free weights)
5 week co-ed volleyball league fitness training (lifecycle, running, etc.)
aerobics weight management & nutritional series

Instructor: Vicki Galliher

Tuesdays 6:15-7:30 p.m.

Jan. 7-Mar. 12

\$10 M / \$25 NM

League shirts provided — awards and social
Grades 9-12