

# Lubavitch Preschool and Dayschool News

Lubavitch Preschool excels in creative play. In simple words, the child develops his learning skills through play. In order to blend the learning experience with the freedom of play, Fern Sanderson, morning teacher, has improved the fascinating concept called learning centers.

The play/learn centers are as attractive to children as any play room or toy store. The advantage here is the role these centers play in the development of the child's comprehension of the subject matter through the many "hands on" projects.

During the month of January, Fern transformed a section of her classroom into a play business office with a typewriter and desk accessories, pads, various size paper clips and a variety of pens and pencils. The children pretend that they are in a real business office and on their own, assume rotating roles that excite their imagination. They have learned the importance of coordination and organization, and learned about the different uses for paper clips. They have also learned to type their names to distinguish between caps and lower case letters.

Creative play has an additional advantage according to Fern. "It brings the real world much closer to the world of the child," says Fern. "A child could relate to his or her own play experience the next time they visit an office."

This month Fern is creating a play/learn grocery store in her classroom, with all the trappings of a genuine store. This will give an opportunity for her students to assume the roles of consumer, seller, cashier and stock person, just to mention a few among the many exciting things the children will experience.

Susan Doobrow and Michelle Hodges have been working endlessly towards making Lubavitch Dayschool the best school in the area, and they have seen much progress. They are fortunate to have the cooperation of their young students who are eager to learn and are receptive to the great teaching techniques of both teachers. Some of the recent projects include the integration of letter and word centers, clockmaking — a study of



Children at storytime.



Creative playtime.



David Levine and Sara Cogos at music time.



Michelle Purvis (R) and Bryan Benjamin examining worksheet.

time — and many exciting math and science projects.

Chanie Weiss, Judaica teacher, has been planning Tu B'Shevat projects for the school. Tu B'Shevat, the New Year for

trees, is considered a Jewish holiday. The projects will include planting various plants and sampling delicious fruits, especially fruits from the seven kinds. Chanie will bake a birthday cake, shaped as a tree, which will be decorated with the colors of trees and fruits.



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## This 'n That



Julie Goodman



Felicia Hantman



Lloyd Scher

Lloyd Scher will be seeking the District 4 seat on the Mecklenburg Board of County Commissioners. A democrat, he was responsible for masterminding the Al Rouso write-in during the recent Mayoral race. Lloyd is the son of Celia Scher.

Though a bit late getting into this column, it is never late to congratulate our outstanding teens. Representing East Mecklenburg High as a contender for Carrousel Queen was Julie Renee Goodman. Julie was chosen as Queen and reigned at the Thanksgiving Day parade. She is the daughter of Jane and Stewart Goodman and is a graduating senior. During 14 years of dance involvement, Julie has earned numerous awards for her performances. She is a member of Rhythm, a competitive group in Charlotte, and performs at various events. Julie is a member of the National Honor Society, a National Merit Commended Scholar and a Morehead nominee.

David Silverman, son of Matty and Marc Silverman, a senior at UNC-CH, has been elected to the Alpha of NC Chapter of Beta Gamma Sigma, a national honorary scholarship society for students in schools of business.

Felicia Hantman, a graduate student at UNCC who will be receiving her masters degree in May, has been elected to membership in The National Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi for her superior academic achievement. Felicia is the wife of Barry Hantman, executive director of the Jewish Community Center and The Foundation; she is also the busy mother of two youngsters.

Shelley Cohen Fudge, daughter of Jane Nelson, has recently received a masters degree in Public Administration from the University of Pennsylvania. Jane's son, P. Scott Cohen, has accepted a Professorship at Harvard University Graduate School of Architecture, Cambridge, Mass.

Evan Nelson, son of the late Orrin Nelson and stepson of Jane Nelson, has recently received a Ph.D. in Psychology from the University of NC, Chapel Hill.

Cynthia Ann Rosenberg has graduated from the University of Pennsylvania Wharton School of Business with an MBA. She also holds a masters degree in Economics from Stanford University. Cindy is the daughter of Zava and Tom Rosenberg and the granddaughter of Mrs. Jenny Baikovitz. She will be working in Washington, D.C. after an extended vacation.

Robert Gleiberman, Director of Youth Activities for Temple Israel, has been appointed to the International Board of Directors of JYDA (Jewish Youth Director's Association) for the 1990 year. He received his appointment at the 20th annual JYDA Convention held last month at Kutscher's in New York. Robert's primary responsibility will be the membership of the organization.

Cher Fox, daughter of Karen and Dr. Leonard Fox, was inducted into the Abraham Joshua Heschel Honor Society at USY's International Convention in Philadelphia in December.

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