### Temple Happenings

#### Beth El V'Shalom

Mar. 4 - Temple Board Meeting, 8 p.m.

Mar. 8 - Special Shabbat Service based on "Union Prayer Book" with choir from Columbia's Tree of Life Temple, 8 p.m.

Mar. 10 - Meeting to discuss Formation of Community Day School, 3 p.m.

Mar. 29 - Congregational Seder at Park Hotel, 6:30 p.m.

Apr. 1 - Temple Board Meeting, 8 p.m.

Apr. 5 - Special Shabbat Service — Traditional Kabbalat Dr. White of UNCC to speak on Hinduism, 8 p.m.

#### Israel

Mar. 4 - Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m.

Mar. 8 - USY Convention (thru 3/10)

Mar. 15 - Family Night

Mar. 21 - Business, Torah Luncheon/Rabbi Millgram, 12-1:15 p.m.

Mar. 22 - New Members' Shabbat Dinner

Mar. 23 - TOT Shabbat

Mar. 24 - Rabbi Millgram's Bible Study Class, 10:45-11:30 a.m.

Mar. 26 - Executive Board Meeting, 6 p.m.

Mar. 30 - Community Passover Seder (Second Seder)

Apr. 7 - Youth Passover Seder

## Bar/Bat Mitzvahs



Temple Beth El V'Shalom

Mar. 16 - Ashby Hare, son of Mr. & Mrs. Jack Hare Mar. 23 - Lisa Martin, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Martin

#### Passover Wine Sale

When we lift our wine glasses at the Seder or Shabbat, we often say "L'Chaym" -Life." Temple Israel Men's Club is sponsoring a Passover Kosher wine sale that gives renewed meaning to that phrase. That's because the Men's Club will direct all of the profits from the sale to the State of Israel. As you're well aware, Israel faces troubled times both militarily and domestically as it continues to brace against the effects of the Persian Gulf Crisis and immigrants arriving each day.

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## What's New at the Charlotte Jewish Preschool

By Marcia Stern

I have a confession to make. When I volunteered to write the monthly articles for the Charlotte Jewish Preschool, I did not want a byline. Since the school is consolidated, both Temples being involved and I am a JCC staff member, my concern was that the school could be thought of as the "JCC Preschool." I have since realized that my concern was really unnecessary.

As part of my responsibilities of being a "JCC staffer" I take visitors and potential members of the JCC on tours of Shalom Park. They are always impressed. What's not to be impressed? As I tell them about the gym and the pools and the racquetball courts, oftentimes the question of a preschool comes up. "Yes," I say proudly, "we have a wonderful school which operates here. In fact, my two daughters attend." We then make our way to the education wing and experience the joy and excitement that having the Charlotte Jewish Preschool in the building generates. If I took you on a tour during February, what a treat it would have been. You would have seen the two-yearolds enjoying the wonderful world of pets as they worked on collages and prepared for the pet puppet show. During Dental Health Month they discussed what was good to eat, by exploring the world of vegetables which included planting their own crop of carrots.

The threes learned all about transportation. They made different kinds of vehicles and created their own train with a conductor and ticket taker and of course a snack vendor. They became Eskimos during one



The 2s created a beautiful Tu B'Shevat mural.



Jeanie Katz helped Patti's class create beautiful Kiddush cups.

week. Could you imagine a group of three-year-olds parading around in mukluks? What a sight! They made Shalach Manot baskets for their friends in celebration of Purim.

The fours were into the letter "P." Pet care, Presidents, Purim, Passover, Planting were part of a particularly, plentiful month.

The Pre-K class was equally busy. You would have seen them

talking about good health habits. The children are writing words and putting them together, then collecting them in "word boxes." Acting out the story of Purim was a highlight of the month.

Of course visiting the Speizman Jewish Library at Shalom Park, a giant Purim parade, the pajama party and Shabbat sharing with the JCC Chai Group were all enjoyed by all.

## CHS "Spotlights" Celia Scher

By Sue Brodsky CHS Director

I decided to try to find out what it is about Celia Scher and her Holocaust courses which cause students to sign up for her classes over and over again. They are even trying to sign up to repeat them when they've already taken Holocaust I, II and III.

Mrs. Scher has been with the CHS since its inception. When asked why she teaches teenagers who are notorious for their misbehavior and disrespect for adults, she answers that the lessons of the Holocaust are the most important that we need to know. It will be the responsibility of these students when they go out into the world to teach about the Holocaust. She believes that young people absorb more than adults and we need

to instill this knowledge at an early age.

Mrs. Scher teaches her students that the Holocaust did not end with the liberation of the concentration camps in 1945. "If we don't learn from it, history has a tendency to repeat itself, she said. She is constantly on the lookout for television programs which focus on the daily activities of the Neo-Nazis and the Ku Klux Klan. "These and other groups are against everything we believe as Americans and as Jews," stated Mrs. Scher. When visiting Mrs. Scher's class on Wednesday nights, I am often faced with students who are engrossed in videotapes of such TV shows as "Phil Donahue," "Oprah Winfrey," "Geraldo" and "Sunday Morning."

When asked why she thinks her students love her courses so much, Mrs. Scher replied, "Not



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only do I stimulate them but I want to listen to what they say. I respect my students as human beings. I don't talk down to them, I talk with them, and am truly interested in their ideas. Only through talking out what you're thinking can you channel your thoughts the right way and grasp the world around you."

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