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JCC Installs New Board at Annual Meeting and Awards Banquet

On Sunday, May 2, the Jewish Community Center held its seventh annual meeting at 10 a.m. in Gorelick Hall with a brunch and awards presentation. This occasion marked the beginning of a new tenure for incoming JCC President Dr. Gene Daumit and his Board of Directors. Elected to the Executive Committee for 1993-1994 were the following: President, Dr. Gene Daumit; Vice Presidents, Jill Newman, Eric Sklut and Elaine Schefflin; Treasurer, Dr. Scott Menaker; Corresponding Secretary, Marshall Rosenfeld; Recording Secretary, Gene Kavado; Immediate Past President, Hal Levinson. In addition to returning board members, Sue Ades, Nancy Bernstein, Joanne Bigel, Nancy Blacker, Paul Edelstein, Linda Goldsmith, Bill Gorelick, Donald Jacobs, Sol Levine, Darren Mond, Paula Musler, Butch Rosen, Gary Silverstein, and Mike Van Glish, the following new Board members were elected to office: Dr. Jay Jacoby, Craig Katzman, Sandy Rose, Dr. Gary DeFilipp, Morris Spil, Melissa Raphael, David Silverman and Lane Ostrow.

A special plaque was awarded to Hal Levinson for his outstanding service and leadership to the Center as outgoing JCC President. During the two years of his presidency the Jewish Community Center continued to



Dr. Gene Daumit

expand its services to the Jewish and general community, in addition to becoming a more responsive partner to the agencies and organizations at Shalom Park. The plaque was only a symbol of the Center's appreciation and gratitude for all of Hal's hard work.

Dr. Gene Daumit, a former vice president, will now lead the new Executive Committee and Board. Gene used the annual meeting to outline his goals for the JCC for the next two years. His vision includes the development of clear and concise goals by the staff and lay leadership which will be written down for all to understand, work toward and be judged against. Also, to formulate a realistic budget for the JCC, so that the Center can continue to offer the types of programs and quality of service that the community demands

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Campaign Closing was an Exciting Event

An exciting "Campaign Closing" was held May 1 at the home of Mickey Gold. This was an opportunity to acknowledge campaign workers for their leadership in serving on the campaign. Don Bernstein, Campaign chair, announced that the 1993 Federation campaign had reached \$1,366,000, representing a 17% card for card increase. He thanked everyone for ensuring Jewish continuity around the corner and around the world.

A special component of the event was the presentation of awards to outstanding individuals for making a difference in the campaign.

The presentation of these awards was done Academy Award style by Don Bernstein, Campaign chair; Rich Osborne, Campaign vice chair; Sara Schreiber, Women's Division president; and Phyllis Schiffman, Women's Division Campaign cochair. A new award, the Hall of Fame, was presented to Harry Lerner and Ruth Goldberg for their unrelenting leadership. They contribute in an extraordinary way to the campaign. Already in its second year, the Ben Gurion and Golda Meir awards were presented to Allan Oxman, Penny Eisenberg and Jill Newman. The Ben Gurion award represents a deep commitment and as Ben Gurion ensured that "The gravity of our work is at present," so too did



Harry Lerner



Ruth Goldberg

Allan. The Golda Meir award, representing women of valor, is indicative of the leadership of Jill Newman and Penny Eisenberg. The Kfir awards, Young Lion, were presented to Stacy Gorelick, Amy Marx, Jack Levinson and Mark Lerner. As Young Kfirs, their leadership is off to a healthy start and will undoubtedly continue to make great strides in making a strong-

er Jewish community.

In addition, awards were presented to Harry Lerner and Emily Zimmern for chairing the Major Gifts Division, Leon and Sandra Levine for hosting the Major Gifts Division, Paul Edelstein and Bill Gorelick for chairing the \$3-\$10,000 Divi-

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Clinton Meets with Lubavitch



President Bill Clinton greets Rabbi Yossi Groner at a recent Oval Office meeting at the White House. (L to R) Rabbi Zalman Posner (Nashville, TN), Rabbi Moshe Herson (Morristown, NJ), Rabbi Israel Deren (Stamford, CT).

A delegation of eight Lubavitch Rabbis, including Rabbi Yossi Groner of Charlotte, met with President Bill Clinton on April 29 in the Oval Office at the White House. The meeting was in honor of the Lubavitcher Rebbe's birthday, which was on April 2, and was proclaimed as National Day of Education and Sharing by the United States Congress.

Rabbi Abraham Shemtov, National Director of American Friends of Lubavitch, presented the President with three special gifts. The first was a silver charity box which symbolizes the theme of sharing. The second was a dollar bill sent especially for this meeting, with personal greetings from the Lubavitcher Rebbe. In addition, President Clinton was presented with a specially embroidered Yarmulke which read in Hebrew and En-

glish "President Clinton." Rabbi Shemtov explained that the dollar is the currency in the world which has the statement "In God We Trust" and the pyramid with an eye at its pinnacle. The eye represents the eye of Divine Providence which oversees all. We must remember that even when we reach the top, the eye of G-d is above us and oversees the world.

The President donned the yarmulke, folded the dollar bill and placed it in the charity box, and as he did so he said warmly, with great awe, "These two will be with me forever."

The President spoke with each delegate individually and thanked them for sharing some special moments with him. It is noteworthy that the meeting took place on the 100th day of his presidency.

Women's Division Goes on Mission to Washington

The Women's Division of the Jewish Federation of Greater Charlotte sponsored a one-day trip to Washington to honor the leadership roles of women in the Charlotte Jewish community. Sandra Levine and Stacy M. Gorelick were honored to have the privilege of chairing this special event. The participants included Bobbi Bernstein, Alice Buxbaum, Randy DeFilipp, Linda Goldberg, Ruth Goldberg, Bari Gorelick, Patty Gorelick, Mara Huber, Berta Kaplan, Karen Kropp, Donna Levin, Jill Newman, Lisa Placock, Ana Resnik, Adrienne Rosenberg, Sara Schreiber, Phyllis Schultz, Marcia Simon, Lori Sklut, Corinne Speer, Mary Wojnowich and Berry Zander.

The mission began with a briefing from Liz Schrayner, director of Political Development at the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC). Liz urged us to address the issue of foreign aid with our members of Congress by specifically asking "Will you support foreign aid?" She reinforced the fact that only .9% of the Federal budget is spent on foreign aid and that 73% of foreign aid is spent in the U.S. The luncheon on the Hill allowed the group to hear from the following members of Con-



(L to R) Stacy M. Gorelick, cochair of Mission; an aide to Sen. Metzenbaum; Sen. Jesse Helms. In right foreground, Sandra Levine, cochair of Mission. photo/Ruth Goldberg

gress: Howard Coble, Mel Watt, Jesse Helms, Martin Frost and Nita Lowey. Amidst the aura of political energy, our voices were heard—we were making a difference.

The mission culminated with a tour of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum. The museum is dedicated to presenting the history of the persecution and murder of six million Jews and millions of other victims of Nazi tyranny from 1933 to 1945. "Daniel's Story: Remember the Children" is designed for youngsters and the Hall of Remembrance is

America's national memorial to the victims of the Holocaust. The impact of the museum was extremely emotional and each woman experienced the museum in a different way. While most of us found it difficult to express our thoughts, Phyllis Schultz shares her personally touching account, written a day after the visit to the Museum, in the article appearing on page 12.

Salute to our Graduates

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