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Osborne is '94 Campaign Chair

The Jewish Federation of Greater Charlotte is pleased to announce that Rich Osborne has accepted the chairmanship of the 1994 Annual Campaign. Rich served as the 1993 Annual Campaign Vice Chairman. The experience that Osborne brings to this year's campaign, coupled with his enthusiasm and leadership, offers a combination of skills that prove invaluable as the 1994 Campaign moves ahead.

Osborne, along with the Federation leadership, is putting together the Campaign Cabinet and planning the Campaign Calendar. The 1994 Campaign hopes to build on the success of the record breaking 1993 Campaign.

As we enter into 5754, the Jewish community continues to be faced with the many challenges of preserving and enhancing Jewish services and reaching



Rich Osborne

out to all members of the community. The Federation Campaign needs continued community support and volunteers in order for us to meet the needs of our community. If you have any questions about the Federation Campaign or are interested in getting involved, please call Alan Kronovet at the Federation office, 366-5007.

Martin Kraar to Lead Community Forum

Martin Kraar, executive vice president of the Council of Jewish Federations, will be in Charlotte on Thursday, October 14 to meet with the leadership of the Jewish community and to discuss current National and International issues at a Community Forum that evening. All are welcome to Gorelick Hall at Shalom Park at 7:45 p.m.

With Kraar's extensive background in Jewish affairs both in the United States and Israel and currently being a key leader in the ongoing development of our Jewish community, this is an opportunity to help Charlotte get an insight into the issues of

today.

Martin Kraar assumed the post of Executive Vice President of the Council of Jewish Federations in 1989. Prior to his appointment with CJF, Mr. Kraar has served as the Executive Vice President of the Detroit, St. Louis and Nashville Jewish Federations. He was the founding Director General of the CJF Israel Office in 1984. He has also been the director of Jewish Community Centers in St. Louis, MO.

Mr. Kraar has a Master's Degree in Social Work from the University of Illinois, a certi-

Feldman to Serve as JCC Executive Director

After serving the Jewish Community Center for over seven years and guiding it through its infancy, Barry Hantman has left to pursue other interests. Some of Barry's many accomplishments were the creation of a program for children with special needs, a kosher hot lunch program for senior citizens, and expanded camp and infant/toddler programs. We wish Barry, his wife, Felicia, and his three children the best of health and success.



Mark Feldman

The Jewish Community Center is pleased to announce the appointment of Alan Feldman as its new Executive Director. He comes to Charlotte with 15 years of experience in the Jewish Community Center field, as well as an outstanding education with a Master's degree in Social Work and a Doctorate in Psychology.

Alan spent six years at the Pittsburgh Jewish Community Center starting as a teen worker and leaving there as Program Director to become the Associate Executive Director of the JCC on the Palisades. In 1990 he became the Director of the Klein Branch of the JCCs of Greater Philadelphia.

He is very active in several professional associations and activities within the Jewish communal work field and has also attended many training institutes and courses to enhance his professional and Judaic knowledge.

For the past year and a half Alan and his wife lived in Israel where he accepted a fellowship to the Senior Educators Program, Samuel Mendel Melton

Centre for Jewish Education in the Diaspora, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem. Alan was the first executive from the Jewish Community Center movement to participate in this very prestigious program. His experience, both professionally and educationally, will help the Charlotte JCC to continue to make its mark on the Jewish community and the Charlotte community at large.

Alan's wife Chris will also be an asset to our community. She has a degree in elementary education and has 18 years experience at the JCC on the Palisades in several different capacities, from Director of Children's Programming to Public Relations.

Chris and Alan were both born and raised in the Bronx which explains why Alan is a life-long New York Knicks fan. We will have to get him used to Charlotte's "Teal and Purple." Their son Jesse was born in Israel last June, shortly before their return to the States. His parents are going to teach him to love "Rock & Roll" just as they do.

Please try to meet both Alan and Chris when you are at the "J" and show them what "southern hospitality" means.



Martin Kraar

cate in Social Work from the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, and a Bachelors Degree in Psychology and Social Work from Memphis State University.

In addition to his numerous professional and academic involvements, Mr. Kraar has taught management, personnel administration and supervision courses and has served as a lecturer, instructor and trainer for various Jewish Federations, National Agencies and other organizations on such topics as leadership development, facilitation training, board-staff relationships and non-profit management. Mr. Kraar has lived in Israel for several years and has lectured on Israel, the Middle East and Israel Diaspora relationships.

With Jonathan Pollard

By Avi Weiss

When Jonathan Pollard first asked me to serve as his personal rabbi in May of 1987, I did so with a sense of rabbinic responsibility. I knew little about the Pollard case. But I have always felt that a rabbi's sacred task is to reach out to every Jew—to be there in their time of need, to lend support, and when necessary, to help in a process of growth—even rehabilitation.

Once I learned more about the details of the case, however, I was moved to become one of his political advocates. A rabbi is there for someone right or wrong; an advocate only supports someone he/she agrees with.

I have become a Jonathan Pollard advocate because I believe a grave injustice has been done.

During these past six years, I have come to know Jonathan Pollard the man. Since August of 1988, when I was first given clearance to see Jonathan, I have visited him in the Marion Federal Penitentiary 29 times, once every two months.

Each time we spend six intense hours talking to each other. I feel as if we have become "brothers." Our relationship is something like that of the biblical David and Jonathan; of Jonathan, David lamented, "I feel distress for you my brother."

I have learned much from Jonathan, "my brother." He has taught me much about Jewish pride, about admitting wrong in the most difficult of circumstances, about inner strength in the face of unbearable prison conditions, about going on and believing in our people even as certain segments of the American Jewish leadership and, in earlier years the Israeli government, abandoned him.

Over the course of these years, I've tried to step back to reflect on Jonathan's human condition. What follows is an attempt to connect with Jonathan's soul, to understand his inner feelings and to articulate what I believe to be Jonathan's sentiments on some of the key issues and conflicts he faces.

For those in government who may read this piece, let it be said clearly, none of the thoughts here are Jonathan's unless otherwise indicated.

One can only truly understand the moral dilemma Jonathan Pollard faced as a U.S. Naval Intelligence officer when one takes into account the background of his early years.

Jonathan Pollard was raised in a family where loyalties as a Jew and as an American were one. Jonathan was interested in fully becoming part of his country.

At an early age, Jonathan

Declaration of Principles Signed



(L to R) Prime Minister Rabin, President Clinton, Yasir Arafat following the signing of the Declaration of Principles at the White House.

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Temple Beth El Brotherhood Sponsors Candidates for City Council Forum

The Brotherhood of Temple Beth El will sponsor a Forum for candidates seeking an At-Large seat on the Charlotte City Council. The Forum is open to everyone and will be held in the Silverman Social Hall of Temple Beth El on Sunday, Oct. 10, 6:30 p.m.

According to Peter Levinson,

Brotherhood president, "This is probably one of the only opportunities to see and hear all of these candidates together. We hope that everyone will come to hear these folks who wish to represent us."

There are eight candidates running for the four At-Large seats: Mary Barker (D), Lecil

Henderson (D), Bill James (R), Pat McCrory (R), Craig Madans (D), Don Reid (R), Ella Scarborough (D) and Lynn Wheeler (R). Levinson says that all have agreed to participate.

Further information may be obtained from Temple Beth El, 366-1948.

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