

Charlotte Welcomes its Newest Russian Family

The Blyudaya family arrived in Charlotte just after Passover. They came to the United States as refugees from the former Soviet Union and were met by members of Temple Israel. We all hope the transition to Charlotte and life in the United States will be a smooth one. There are four family members. There are four artists who willing to paint houses or work in design/marketing. His wife Tat'yana taught Russian and could work in a preschool setting. She has some English skills as do their children. Boris recently completed medical training and would like a position related to the medical field. Zhanna is in her teens and could work as a cashier. She hopes to continue her education.

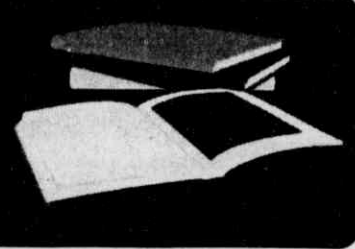
Volunteers set up their apartment and took them to the Health Department and the Social Security Administration so they could begin looking for work as quickly as possible. Other volunteers have been taking them shopping, to synagogue services and for job interviews. Within a short period of time, they and we have begun to make new friends.

Within the next several months the Charlotte Jewish community hopes to resettle more families. Towards this effort, the synagogues and organizations have agreed to 'sponsor' a family by helping set up apartments, driving family members to appointments and shopping, making social calls, being interpreters or helping to teach English, providing medical, dental, legal assistance, and taking them to community activities. If you are willing to make a significant contribution in the life of a newcomer by doing one of these simple gimilit chasidim (acts of loving kindness), please leave a message for Ellen Dubin at Jewish Family Services @ 364-6594.

We also need furniture and household goods. If you have any spare living room or bedroom furniture in usable condition, please call. We also need kitchen tables, chairs, lamps, cassette recorders, televisions, radios, linens, dishes, pots, silverware and other kitchen items. Let us know how you will help. 364-6594.



Speizman Jewish Library



Jerusalem 3000 Books

The Speizman Jewish Library joins with organizations in the United States and Israel which celebrate the 3,000 anniversary of Jerusalem as the capitol of Israel.

The following is a selection of the most recommended books for children and adults:

Freedman, Florence - *Brothers* - N. Y. Harner and Row 1985 - Ages 5-8. Beautiful award winning retelling of a legend of brotherly love which also explains the song Hine Ma Tov and determined the site of the Temple in Jerusalem.

Geras, Adele - *Golden Windows and Other Stories of Jerusalem* - N.Y. Harper and Collins, San Francisco, 1993 - ages 8-12. Five stories that depict the experiences of children maturing and facing their fears in Jerusalem.

Paris, Alan - *Jerusalem 3000 - Kids Discover the City of Gold* - Israel, Pitzpupany Press 1995 - ages 8-12 - Shalom and Tamar guide you through 3,000 years of history. Recently published and well illustrated.

Morris, Ann - *When Will the Fighting Stop* - N.Y. Atheneum 1990 - Photographic essay as seen and told by a young Jewish boy who lives in the old city - ages 8-12.

Gilbert, Martin - *Jerusalem, Illustrated History Atlas* - N. Y. McMillan Publishing, Inc. 1977.

Hammer, Reuven - *The Jerusalem Anthology; a Literary Guide* - Philadelphia, JPS 1995 - an excellent anthology of selected writings from the Biblical days until now.

Kollek, Teddy - *Jerusalem* - N. Y. Random House 1958 - A history of forty centuries told by Jerusalem's former mayor. Beautifully illustrated - adult non-fiction.

Porath, Zipporah - *Letters From Jerusalem* - Jerusalem 1987 The title speaks for itself. This is a collection of letters of the author to her family in the U. S. during the Israeli Independence War. This book was donated to the library by Elkie Tulman who was also in Israel at that crucial time. It was published by the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel.



Contest Winners Young Scholars 1996

Zack DeFilipp and Ruthie Warshenbrot won, for the second consecutive year, the annual district Bible contest. The two young scholars studied chapters from the books of Leviticus and Numbers and a special selection of verses celebrating Jerusalem 3000. Zack and Ruthie will participate in the National Bible Contest in New York, which will take place on Sunday, May 12. The contest is a project of the Department of Jewish Education and Culture in the Diaspora at the joint authority for Jewish Zionism Education. Five top winners of the New York contest will represent the United States in the Israeli contest as part of Israel Independence Day celebration.

Zack is a sixth grader and Ruthie is a seventh grader in Temple Israel Religious School.

Zack is the son of Randy and Gary DeFilipp. Ruthie is the daughter of Amalia and Avi Warshenbrot.

Rabbi Ezring is in charge of the district program.

New York/Queens College Alumni To Meet In Charlotte

A luncheon at the Park Hotel has been planned for Saturday, May 25, for all alumni of Queens College-New York now living in North and South Carolina. Approximately 200+ alumni have been identified in the Carolinas.

It is hoped through this announcement and luncheon that more "northern transplants" who attended Queens College will learn of the alumni group and join together for an enjoyable afternoon.

For further information, call Renee Steiner 366-8044.

Community Car Wash benefits Maccabi Athletes

A community car wash will be held on Saturday, May 19 from 11:00 A.M. until 4:00 P.M. at SUPER SERVICE, 9331 E. Independence Blvd. in Matthews to benefit the 1996 Charlotte Youth Maccabi Games Delegation.

Teen-age athletes representing six different sports will be hand at the car wash to dry cars and raise funds to offset expenses related to the National Maccabi Games in St. Louis this coming August.

Charlotte Jewish Singles

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Registration Form

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Please call Becky Cohen at 366-5007 for more information

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