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Happy Hanukkah!
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**Charlotte native
Shoshana Gugenheim
cracks the gender wall
in Torah writing.**

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**Rabbi Leib Tropper
visits the Charlotte
Torah Center to
ask the question,
"Is Happiness
OVERRATED?"**

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A WORLD OF GOOD

YAL CHECOL IS the newly elected chairman of the Ethiopian Student Union in Israel. And he has something he wants to say. Tell North American Jews that I am the return on their investment. I learned Hebrew at Upani, I lived in a youth ayah village, today I am on a full scholarship at law school, but — and please, I haven't even told my teachers yet — I think I may want to be a teacher. I want the Ethiopian children who come after me to have good role models. I want to lead my people. And my people are all the people of Israel.

Our Jewish story begins with a promise, passed from generation to generation, like a golden chair, etched in our collective memories and recorded in our books. This promise represents our hope to be a free and compassionate people, whose purpose it is to make the world a better place. Learn how you can help at www.ujc.org/operationpromise.

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program inside.**

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