## **Congregation Celebrates Purim, Hosts Artsy Workshop**

Havurat Tikvah will hold community Shabbat services on March 5, 10 AM at Avondale Presbyterian Church, Aitken Classroom, 2821 Park Rd. Kiddush will follow. The community is welcome to attend.

A Purim mask making will be held on March 13, 1-3 PM at Strawberry Hill Clubhouse, 5101 Strawberry Hill Dr. Rick Crown will lead participants in the creation of artistic, one-of-a-kind crafted holiday masks. Crown is a former associate professor of art at Queens University of Charlotte where he spent 38 years teaching and mentoring students in the Art Department. He received his Masters in Fine Arts in Ceramics from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. He now spends his time



in his own studio fashioning pottery and sculpting.

To celebrate Purim, a festive Megillah reading will take place on March 23, 8 PM at Avondale Presbyterian Church, McLean Fellowship Hall, 2821 Park Rd. Charlie Brown will be the reader during this joyous celebration and groggers will be provided. Brown serves as the cantor for Temple Emanuel in Gastonia and is also a member of can enjoy hamentashen along with the fellowship of This event is open to the festival observance. community.

Havurat Tikvah is a warm, supportive and nurturing Jewish Reconstructionist congregation with Shabbat services and a full spectrum of holiday observances, as well as religious educational options for both adults and children. We are a diverse group of families, singles, and Jewish and interfaith couples who participate in projects that promote social justice.

We value and depend upon member participation and leadership for our religious services,



Havurat Tikvah. Attendees Charlie Brown, center in cape and crown, at a previous Purim celebration with Havurat Tikvah members and guests. He will be the the congregational family. reader of the Megillah on March 23 during the

spiritual growth and governance.

Havurat Tikvah is an affiliate of the Jewish Reconstructionist Communities, in association with the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College.

For more information on upcoming services, programs, membership or other queries, call 980-225-5330, write to Havurat Tikvah, P.O. Box 12684, Charlotte, NC 28220, email membership@havurattikvah.org or visit havurattikvah.org. Havurat Tikvah is also on Facebook at facebook.com/groups/havurattikvah/ \$

## Women's News

## 3rd Annual Charlotte Hadassah Israeli Products Fair, November 20

After the success of last year's Fair, Charlotte Hadassah is pleased to announce that the 3rd Annual Israeli Products Fair will take place on November 20 at Sam Lerner Center at Shalom Park. "We were thrilled to be able to raffle off a Hadassah Mission to Israel to Carey Shookoff at last year's event, and we anxiously await to hear more about Cary's September trip.'

Our committee is currently working hard to secure sponsorships and individual donors who have an interest in Israel and are willing to help us spread the word about the importance of "Supporting Israeli by Buying Israeli." Please contact Stacy Baum at schree@carolina.rr.com if you are interested in learning more about our fantastic sponsorship opportunities. Again, this year, we will be expanding our offerings of Israeli Products by increasing our connections to Israeli and local vendors offering Israeli made items, Judaica, Jewish holiday themed items, and kosher foods. Please contact Shellie Barer at s.barer@yahoo.com if you or someone you know are interested

in participating as a vendor.

We are also beginning our secure raffle donations for our general raffle, and will be announcing plans shortly regarding a special silent auction. Please contact Hilary Rosenbaum at dhrose4@ gmail.com with your personal or business raffle donation, and stay tuned for more information. For additional information, or to find out how you get can get involved and help, contact Stacy Baum at schree@carolina.rr.com or Amy Deloach at amybdeloach@ gmail.com.

Thank you for your past support. We are very excited to gear up for another exciting event. See you at the Fair. ♥





