

SOCIAL ACTION CALENDAR

2008-2009

The Social Action Committee addresses issues that have a social, political, environmental or religious impact on us as Jews and as citizens in the community. In keeping with the URJ resolutions and guidelines, the committee works to develop programs that educate and motivate the congregation to make a positive difference, helping those in need.

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2008, 10:00-11:00 AM

GUEST SPEAKERS: Jehan Benton on Guilford County's Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness
Lia Lewis on Centennial's 8K "Run for Shelter"
Bob Shuman on Mitzvah Day 2009

SEPTEMBER 14, 3 PM – CENTENNIAL 8K "Run for Shelter" to benefit "Guilford County's Ten-Year Plan to End Homelessness"

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER - VOTER REGISTRATION DRIVE

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER – POLITICAL FORUM (dates and politicians to be announced)

OCTOBER 26, 6 PM – MOVIE, PIZZA AND DISCUSSION led by Gabriel Jok, one of the "Lost Boys"

NOVEMBER 2, 4 PM – MOVIE, PIZZA AND DISCUSSION ("GOOD WILL FOR THE COMMON GOOD")

NOVEMBER 20, 5 PM - FEAST OF CARING at First Baptist Church to benefit Greensboro Urban Ministry. We will serve our now-famous chicken soup with matzo balls and challah. Cooks, challah bakers and servers are needed.

DECEMBER 11 – CHANUKAH DINNER AT PATHWAYS – serve a traditional Chanukah dinner, sing Chanukah songs and play dreidel games with the children at Pathways. Stew and latke cooks, singers, dancers and other entertainment needed. Older children and parents are invited to participate.

JANUARY 16, 8 PM - MARTIN LUTHER KING SHABBAT SERVICE - need greeters and servers at Oneg

FEBRUARY 8, 10:30 AM - ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM ON SOLAR ENERGY – an overview of local resources and programs

FEBRUARY 15, 10 AM and 12 Noon - FOOD SORTING at Urban Ministry – two shifts to sort food after the annual Boy Scout food collection.

MARCH 15, 6 PM – MOVIE, PIZZA AND DISCUSSION ("MAXED OUT" – a journey deep inside the American style of debt)

APRIL 19, 6 PM – MOVIE, PIZZA AND DISCUSSION ("STEAL A PENCIL FOR ME")

MAY 3 - MITZVAH DAY with kick-off rally to be held at Beth David Synagogue

JUNE 7, 5 PM – GLOBAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS FORUM – a presentation of global human rights abuses and the actions we can take to make a positive difference

Ongoing projects:

... Food collection for Urban Ministry

... Tutoring at Eastside Community Center and Kid's Café

... Mitzvah Garden - help plant garden on Mitzvah Day and maintain it throughout the summer -- produce is donated to the Urban Ministry