

Tampa, Orlando, Sarasota YADs line up for Bucs training camp

On Sunday, Aug. 1, Tampa Young Adult Division (YAD) will team up with Orlando Or Hadash, Sarasota Impact and Pinellas YAD to cheer on the Bucs during training camp.

This popular annual YAD event attracts hundreds of Jewish young adults from all over central Florida, who join together for this VIP experience at the Bucs training facility in Tampa.

Hosted by the Glazer family, guests will watch the Bucs from a private air-conditioned dining room and/or an outdoor tent along the field, while enjoying compli-

mentary beverages and snacks as the team prepares for the upcoming 2010 season.

In the Jewish tradition of charity and generosity, attendees are encouraged to bring canned food items to benefit their local Jewish Food Bank. In return, each donor will receive a Buccaneers hat. The event is open to young adults ages 21-45. Sponsors note that age limits will be strictly enforced.

For information on registration, go to www.jewishtampa.com. Deadline for registration is Monday, July 26.

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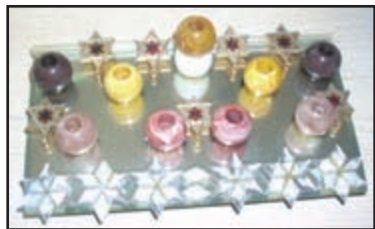
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One of Lebo's handmade Chanukah menorahs

ARTIST

• CONTINUED from PREVIOUS PAGE her imagination.

Shadow boxes, Chanukah menorahs and most wall hangings have been created freeform.

Lebo's love of Judaism, the basis for her art, started in childhood. Her Jewish upbringing in her native Milwaukee came from her widowed mother and grandfather, she said. The family, including Lebo's brother, lit Friday night candles, celebrated Shabbat and all Jewish holidays and went to services throughout the year.

A dressmaker and seamstress by trade for more than two decades in Milwaukee, Lebo said she dabbled in Jewish arts and crafts on the side.

"I began doing needlepoint and beading," she said, "but it didn't become full time until we moved here."

Her home has the feel of a museum, but the work continues apace. Where will new pieces go?

Smaller items, particularly those made from fabric or crocheted, are usually given as gifts to friends and family here and back home in her native Wisconsin. The couple's two grown children, both of whom live in the area, usually get first choice.

Lebo made a lavender chuppah for their daughter Cheryl when she married last year, and it is now artistically arranged in a glass-covered wall hanging. The color was her daughter's choice, she said. Their son Jeff has a shadow-box encasing his Bar Mitzvah invitation as the centerpiece.

For now she'll put more intricate creations on an empty swatch of wall or unoccupied floor tile.

"Someday I'd like to donate my work to a synagogue or Jewish organization," Lebo said, "but I have no plans to sell it."

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