

Sunday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, we celebrated a supportive, generous and solid community. Compliments and congratulations from the City of Raleigh, guests and community members were appreciated.

It was especially touching to see videos of our adult dabke group as young children, the same age as our children's group today... We are indeed fortunate to have had the TLA representing Lebanon for 29 years.

Enjoy the pictures on page 2 and 3 and on our Facebook page: Triangle Lebanese American Center

***Thank you to....***

All of the beautiful ladies who prepared the delicious food for the grand opening:  
Mona Abdulkhalek, Lina Jaouhari, Amal Dakdouk (donated kibbe),  
Arwa Alzoor (donated mougrabieh)  
Raghda Yehya (donated items for grape leaves) and Noha Nasrallah.  
Aladdin's eatery for donating Hummus and Baba Ghanouj  
Naji Hilal for sharing his talents  
Hayat Darrow for the beautiful cedar painting  
Nada Hanna for an eloquent poem telling the story of the TLA  
and big thank you to Hassan Hanna for sharing the videos over the past 29 years.

**Congratulations** to all of our graduates including our own dabke performers: We are proud of you and may you embark on a bright, exciting future!  
Fadi Hanna graduated from UNC Chapel Hill with a major in Biology and minor in Chemistry.  
Sammy Nasrallah graduated from NCSU with a degree in Electrical Engineering  
Rami Aoun and Diana Dakdouk graduated high school

Back by popular demand! **Summer camp day camp (Details on Page 2)**  
We will have 3 one week summer camps filled with educational and fun activities centered around Lebanon . **June 22-26, July 20-24. August 17- 21**  
Contact Bearta ([bearta2@aol.com](mailto:bearta2@aol.com)) for registration.



For those leaving to Lebanon this summer, as your plane descends into Beirut airport, and you see the lights in the mountains, the reflections in the sea, think of how lucky we are to have been born in such a beautiful country. There is no feeling like it! Safe Travels!

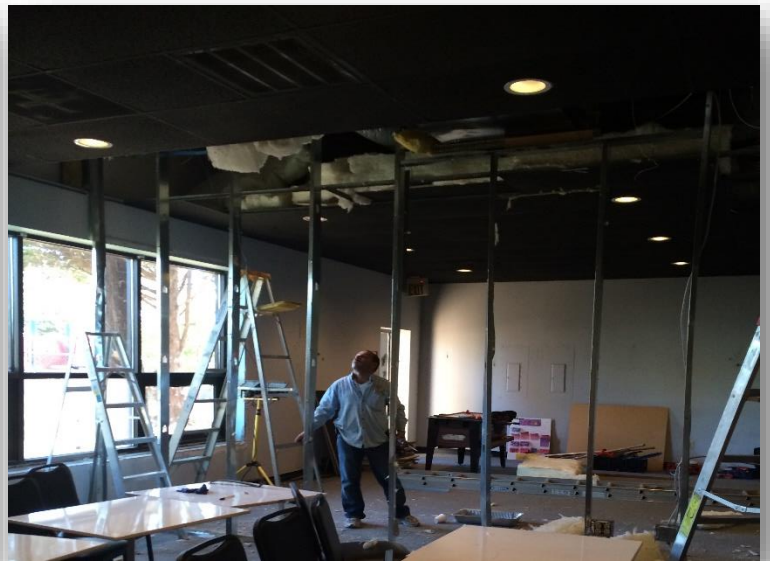
# Lebanese Summer Day Camps



Registration is now open!  
**June 22-26, July 20-24, August 17- 21**  
 TLAC 241 Horizon Dr. Raleigh NC 27612

Ages 5-8		Ages 9-13	
8:00-9:00	Drop off	8:00-9:00	Drop off
9:30-10:00	Learn National Anthem	9:30-10:00	Learn National Anthem
10:00-10:30	Lebanese games and landmarks	10:00-10:30	Lebanese landmarks (Byblos, Beirut, Baalback, Jeita, Sidon)
<b>10:30-11:00</b>	<b>Snack</b>	<b>10:30-11:00</b>	<b>snack</b>
11:00 - 12:00	Arabic Alphabet -write their name	11:00 - 12:00	Science (Bishara)
12:00-12:30	Free Play Time-	12:00-12:30	Preparing Lebanese mezza/learning to cook Lebanese easy dishes
<b>12:30-1:15</b>	<b>Lunch time</b>	<b>12:30-1:15</b>	<b>lunch</b>
1:15- 2:15	Lebanese story time/legends	1:15- 2:15	Lebanese Famous people (gibran, etc..)
2:15-3:15	Craft	2:15-3:15	Lebanese games - backgammon, la'out, tarnib
<b>3:15-3:45</b>	<b>Snack and Free play</b>	<b>3:15-3:45</b>	<b>Snack</b>
3:45-4:45	Dabkeh Practice	3:45-4:45	Arabic class
4:45-5:30	Learning Lebanese songs	4:45-5:30	4:45-5:30 Dabkeh
5:30-6:00	Pick-up	5:30-6:00	Pick-up

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# Lebanese Community

## Poem by Nada Hanna

...For those who missed it



قصيدة "الفكره لّي صارت رؤيه"  
بقلم: ندى حنا  
عندي إلكم خبريّه  
تعوا نسمعها  
سوّبي  
جان نادر، رَجُل لبناني فهمان  
كان ساكن بِ رالي  
بس قلبو كان ساكن  
بلبنان  
وهوّي وقاعد لِحالو  
خِطرت فكره عبالو  
دعا الصبايا والشباب  
وأَسَّسَلن  
نادي لِحباب  
لا طايفه ولا سياسه  
لا زُعما ولا رئاسه  
دبكه ورقص وغنيّه  
وموَال  
دربكه وعود وطربوش و شروال  
أغانِي فيروز وصباح وميجانا  
ودلعونا  
وصوت وديع  
ونصري، هودي لّي جمعونا  
دوميت وإيلي وحسن وسمير  
شَبِكوا الأيادي يِقَلبن  
الكبير  
طونِي وجهاد وموسى ونبيل  
شبيبي طيبي، وكلهن مشيوا  
بهل سبيل

بتي وندي  
ونهي وسميره  
صبايا حلوي، وبلدبكي خبيره  
زينه وجورجيت ورغده وبديعه  
قاموا  
بالواجب بِ هَمِي فظيعة  
عل مسرح، بدبكة لبنان نتغاوى  
وبالمطبخ، زنود نتساعد  
ونتخاوى  
وبصَف العربي، ولادنا للعالم مناره  
وبلفستفال، ننشر لبنان  
الحضاره  
ومَرقت الأيام وولادنا صاروا كبار  
وتَوَجَّح علينا نسلهم مَشعل  
النار  
وأملنا الشديد فيهم يكملوا المشوار  
ويَخلدوا إسم لبنان، مَهما جَدّ  
وصار  
وصحيح فكرة جان نادر بَلشت زغيري  
ولكن يَفْضَل موييس خيرلله  
صارت رؤيه  
كبير  
وهيك تحققت الأحلام وآله الكون  
سيمعنا  
وتحت سقف بيتنا الغالي أخيراً  
جَمَعنا  
ويا بيتنا اللبناني ما أجمل وأحلى  
تَحْضُننا بِديارك بِألف أهلا و  
سهلا

