

What's Cooking? *at Shabbos House*



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Directors

SHABBOS HOUSE
JEWISH STUDENT CENTER - UNIVERSITY AT ALBANY

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THANK YOU!

Dear Friends,

Before moving to UAlbany and campus life in Fall 1997, we were told: "College work is often unappreciated." Fortunately, our experience proved otherwise.

Having shared our gratitude countless times with many individuals, we now want to say a public "Thank You!" to the current students and alumni, their parents and families, and to our friends and supporters in the Albany Jewish community and beyond, for the many treasured friendships, dedicated involvement, plus moral and financial support. You make Shabbos House grow and thrive.

Each friend adds so much to the fabric of our campus community and to our personal lives. We are so fortunate to be a part of all this!

Of course it's not easy, but the 'return on the investment' is so great, and the rewards are so meaningful and worthwhile.

Thank You! May you be repaid with many blessings in great measure.

Sincerely,

Rabbi Mendel and Raizy Rubin
Mushkie, Chanie, Moshe & Sara

P.S. Thanks to your generosity, the Building Fund is now 2/3 towards our goal! The Operating Budget is keeping pace with growing activities & turnouts, even with the ongoing Capital Campaign.

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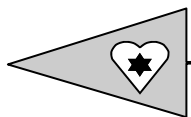
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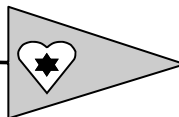
at Shabbos House



- ◀ Apple Jelly Bean Card on all Quads for Rosh Hashana
- ◀ Return of L'chaim's Shofar Factory on Campus Center
- ◀ "Candle-Lighting for Peace"
- ◀ Cozy, Informal Yom Kippur Services
- ◀ Farbrengen in the Sukkah with Rabbi Galperin
- ◀ Another amazing Simchat Torah celebration!
- ◀ Record Friday Night Turnouts
- ◀ Oneg for Parents Weekend & Shabbaton with WCDB Alumni Reunion
- ◀ "Car-Port" Temporary Addition by alumnus Oren Silvers
- ◀ Israeli Night (by Tagar) with felafel and tour experts Aryeh & Tzachi
- ◀ "Getting Along with Dr. Laz" talk on Fri Night
and dynamic Sat Night Concert with Jamming Night
- ◀ "Challah with Love" Community Service expands to Schenectady
- ◀ Pre-Chanukah Hot Latke Table
- ◀ Four new study series for Tues Night Learning with Dairy Dinner:
 - (1) "Tzedakah - a prospectus" (2) "Torah on Self-Esteem"
 - (3) "Jewish Wedding Rituals" and (4) "Jewish Birthdays"
- ◀ New Weekly Women's Learning at CC with Raizy

Upcoming Spring '04

at Shabbos House



- ▶ 1/28 Challah Baking (with a "Challah with Love" in March)
- ▶ 1/31 Sat Night - only Jamming Night of the semester
- ▶ 2/6 Tu Bishvat Israeli Dinner with Tagar
- ▶ 2/22 Rosh Chodesh Adar Sunday Minyan Bagel Brunch
- ▶ 3/3 L'chaim's Hamantasch Baking and Purim Packet Packing
- ▶ 3/4 Persian Wine Dinner - Friday Night at SH
- ▶ 3/6 Sat Night Purim Extravaganza & Game Night at Campus Center
- ▶ 3/7 Purim Day Festive Meal at SH
- ▶ 5/9 Grad Party - Farewell to Class of 2004
- ▶ 5/14-16 Graduation Weekend, Parents Welcome!
- ▶ 5/16 Graduation Day BBQ: following Ceremonies, all afternoon at SH
- ▶ Bi-Weekly Friday Night Dinners, and Weekly Shabbos Lunches
- ▶ Weekly Tuesday Night Learning with Dairy Dinner at Shabbos House
- ▶ Weekly Women's Learning with Raizy, Weds Noontime near Dreidels



"Shabbos House is the greatest place to be - all day, every day. There is always someone home and someone to talk to... Without Raizy and Mendel I don't think I would have graduated on time. They helped me with opportunities I enjoy today. I don't know if I will ever be able to repay them for these things: Their friendship and leadership; the motivation and drive to achieve..."

- Harriet Roffe '04



".. a warm comforting environment.. no matter how we practice Judaism, or even if we don't... Shabbos House should be given support for creating an open place for all Jewish students at UAlbany."

- Ally Newman '06



"I'll never forget the warmth and love during my time in Albany, and I know that hundreds, if not thousands, feel the same way."

- Daniel Berns



"... I knew I would always leave smiling & with new knowledge."

- Elana Kleinman '03

"Shabbos House is the glue which holds Jewish Life at UAlbany together."

- Revital Hay '04

For Additional Events sponsored by UAlbany Jewish Student Groups or UAlbany Hillel
Visit: www.ualbanyhillel.org or see "schedule" page on www.shabboshouse.com

Cookbook

Two Guest Rooms are now available at 320 Fuller Road (2 doors down, and hopefully soon to be the site of the new Shabbos House building). Alumni and friends are welcome to join us for Shabbos or other occasions. Call ahead to ensure availability.

Due to popular demand, we look forward to begin working on a Shabbos House Cookbook, aided by Adam Kofinas, Fall '04 intern. If you have a favorite recipe (relatively easy) that can be used at Shabbos House, and included in this cookbook - please contact us or e-mail: shabbos@albany.net.

Come Visit!

Building News

The Class of 2004 is the largest class yet to 'graduate from Shabbos House'. We will miss these students who have made a meaningful impact on UAlbany's Jewish Community. Save the dates for the annual Grad Party (Sun 5/9) and Graduation Weekend (5/14-16). Parents and friends are welcome at Shabbos House for Friday Night and a big BBQ on Graduation Day (Sun 5/16).

The new Shabbos House Building Fund is now at 2/3 towards the goal to be eligible for the matching funds. Thanks to everyone who made this huge milestone possible. The Building Committee is now working on Zoning Board applications. We hope to share with you the good news of groundbreaking as soon as possible.

Graduation '04

Helping Out

"Challah with Love" a community service by UAlbany students at Shabbos House, who bake and deliver home-made Challah to seniors and immigrants. This Fall we expanded to Schenectady, in addition to Bnai Brith Parkview Apartments and Whitehall Senior Housing in Albany.

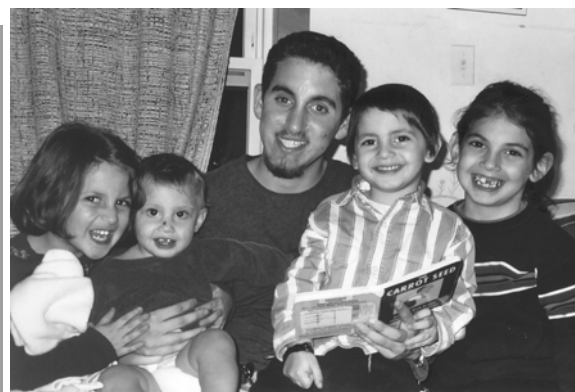
Thank you to the Interns (via UAlbany's CPSP) of Fall '03: Farrah Fidler, Rachel Harris, Revi Hay & Ben Lieb. Many thanks to all the volunteers who help out each week, with food prep, room set-up (shlepping the couches in and out...), serving and clean-up. Your dedication makes Shabbos possible for so many students at UAlbany.

Challah with Love



"In the holy city of Jerusalem, I struggled to feel the community spirit felt at Shabbos House... The irony of Galut is to feel so little after living in the 'Rovah Ha'Yehudi' for five months, while after one semester at Shabbos House in my freshman year, I already discovered an infinite Jewish spirit... May we all pray for the Redemption and coming of Mashiach so we need not feel this disparity and irony any longer."

- Yishai Cohen '04



Thank You for making Shabbos House '03 possible.

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