



What's Cooking?

at Shabbos House

Shabbos House Chabad Jewish Student Center - serving the Jewish Community at the University at Albany (SUNY) since 1976.



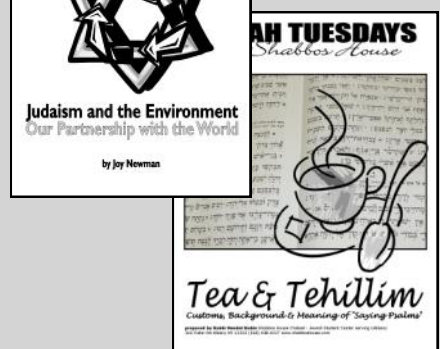
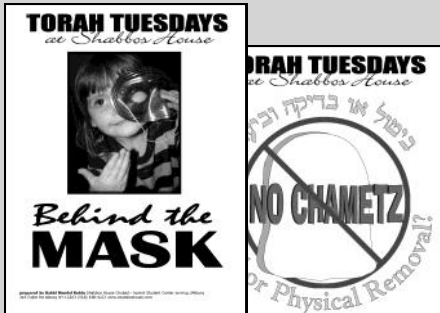
CONSTRUCTION BEGINS on the New, Bigger & Better Shabbos House



FAREWELL TO THE OLD 320 Students at pre-demolition ceremony after the Grad Party on May 11th

TORAH TUESDAYS @ Shabbos House

SPRING '08 CLASSES



Plus:

- "Eleven Messages" by Mushky Rubin on her 11th birthday
- "Mapquest Biblical Israel" by Craig Messer

New classes in preparation for Fall 2008

Class handouts in PDF format available to alumni by request

Dear Friends,

After years of anticipation, the new Shabbos House is quickly becoming a reality this summer. While not all funds are in place yet, we're eager to keep this project moving along to be ready for a April or May 2009 completion date. We look forward to keeping you in the loop as it progresses through the online "320 Building Blog."



Rabbi Mendel & Raizy at the Virtual Kotel of L'chaim's Jerusalem Corner at Israel Awareness Week on the Podium

Spring '08 had more Cozy-Shabbat and holidays mid-semester than usual, due to the academic break scheduling. Both the indoor Purim-Cruise and the Passover Seders were festive celebrations at Shabbos House when most students were home on break, and still had quite a crowd. This summer we look forward to ten or more Cozy-Shabbat weekends for students up in Albany for work, summer-school or internships.

Highlights of the Spring '08 semester included:

- Tu Bishvat Seder at tail-end of Winter Break led by Craig Messer
- Mendel and Raizy celebrated Birthday Farbrengens
- Superbowl Shabbat, Sushi Shabbat and Israel@60 Shabbat themed weekends
- Israel Awareness Week led by Jen Sovronsky & Matt Bergman & UAlbany Hillel
- Holocaust survivor, Cardiomag CEO Carl Rosner guest speaker at Grad-Party
- "Farewell to 320" house-breaking ceremony after the Grad-Party

In preparation for construction, so much has happened in the past few weeks:

- Work with former 320ers and others to help empty 320 before demolition
- Exploring possibilities of solar hot-water as a long-term alternative energy source
- Pros and cons of commercial vs. residential style kitchen equipment
- Working through and revising plans with architect Don Stracher as they quickly progress into construction documents
- Updating the Building Brochure and keeping the "320 Building Blog" current

Summer is a time to plan and prepare for the Fall '08 semester:

- Scheduling the alternating Friday Nights with Hillel
- Writing new "Torah-Tuesday" themed study texts
- Cornerstone Ceremony on Sunday, September 14th
- Work on fundraising for both the Building and Operating Funds
- Updating our database to keep our contact info as current as possible
- Orientations and meeting new freshmen students and families
- Plans for the Summer Alumni Reunion and individual get-togethers
- and much more!

It's an exciting time at Shabbos House, with the long-awaited construction finally underway. "The Little House That Could" will be able to do even better. Many thanks to each and every student who contributes to this unique atmosphere, and to all the supporters who make it possible. May you all have a wonderful summer, with much blessing. May we share good news - always!

Love,

Rabbi Mendel & Raizy, Mushky, Chani, Moshe, Sara & Bassie Rubin

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE



Asbestos abatement on the exterior tile shingles at 320 before demolition permits are issued. All through the month of May, all items of value including furniture and books, decent doors and windows, even copper piping and radiators were removed from 320.



Symbolic student demolition crew at work on 320 walls following the Grad Party 5/11



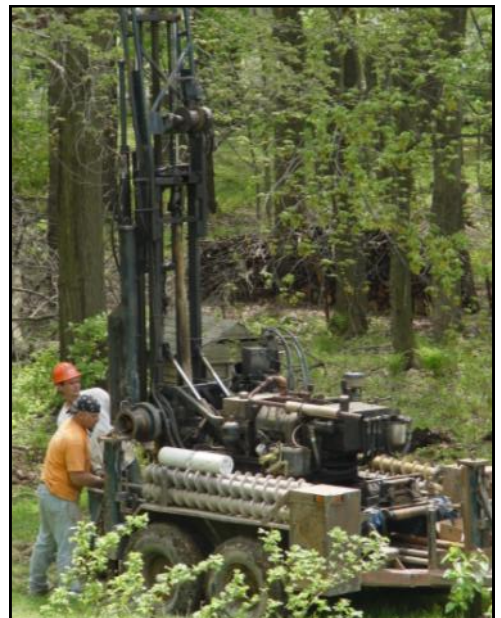
Rabbi Israel Rubin, who founded Shabbos House in 1976, addresses students in yellow hats prior to the pre-demolition ceremony on May 11th at 320 Fuller Road. He spoke of the history and perseverance leading up to this point.



Tree and brush clearing in back lot of 320



McKownville Fire Department does training drills on the house and garage in the days before demolition. Behind them are some of the trees down in the land-clearing process.



GeoTech sub-surface soil-testing

“320 BUILDING BLOG” updated photos and progress reports online, accessible via “news in the family” or “what’s happening” pages at www.shabboshouse.com - check back frequently for updates as work continues...

SPRING '08 PHOTO REVIEW



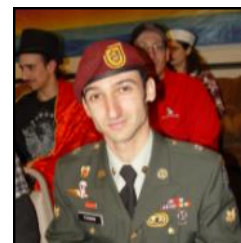
Jewish Womens Connection



L'chaim/Shabbos House New Banner in Campus Center



"Purim-Cruise" @Shabbos House start of Spring Break



L'chaim's Virtual Kotel & Jerusalem Corner @ Israel Awareness Week



Rabbi Mendel and a few AEPI brothers



Havdalah at Jamming Night



Alumni of 2003-5 after a Shabbos Visit



Challah with Love Delivery Volunteers



L'chaim & ZFA \$4,000 End of Year Events Shopping @ PC

Mendel & Moshe @ Basketball



Grad Party & Graduation Weekend



Student Presentation at "Torah-Tuesdays" with Dairy Dinner

Thank You for making Shabbos House SPRING '08 possible.

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Co-sponsoring Organizations are listed in "Contribution Matters".

We apologize for inadvertent omissions. Anonymous Sponsors, Catering, and Cookbook purchases not included.

Contributions below are from Jan '08 thru May '08.
*** asterisk indicate "Shares and Dedications".**

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Goods & Services

- Class of 2008 for scribal Torah repair and a set of new Siddurim
- Teitleman Family for five translated Chumashim
- Adam Kris & Family for tasty NY pastries for Oneg Nosh
- Mike & Abby Hoenig for the big case of useful salt-shakers
- Tani Klein for twelve new beautiful Chumashim
- Henry Sado at Old World Distribution
- Orin Chait & Family for very nice furniture
- Jerry & Ilene Sykes at The Party Warehouse for cases and cases of paper-goods on Passover and all semester long and great theme décor
- Ira & Sheri Woren for challah-covers, cleansers, fortune cookies & more
- David Gosman at PC America for hosting www.shabboshouse.com
- Aleexa Sklover for "munch-money" potato-chips for year-end BBQ's
- Professor Herman Prins Salomon for fine variety of organic Kosher meat

The Rohr center-naming gift of \$375,000 was wired to the Building Fund account now that construction has begun.

In addition to a building founder's original gift, they have generously offered to match \$1 for every \$2 contributed (May - Dec 2008) up to an additional gift of \$100,000.

SPECIAL THANKS TO

- Dima Tovbin & Rachael Woren for endless hours of dedicated community service via the CPSP program
- L'chaim Board members of 2007-8 and Rachel Serkin president, for great brainstorming meetings, Shabbos and event prep, getting the word out and the many hours tabling on campus
- The ZFA (formerly Tagar) student group for the mega year-end Kosher Price Chopper shopping for Israel Shabbat and more
- Student Association for Supplemental Funding for the Passover Seders

CONTRIBUTION MATTERS

Shabbos House receives no funding from the University or National Chabad. We do receive co-sponsorship grants from the L'CHAIM and ZFA (Student Association) Student Groups, UAlbany HILLEL and support from Capital District CHABAD Centers, our parent organization.

With minimal overhead and salary expenses, your contribution goes directly to benefit the students with dinners, atmosphere, programming and events. More Bang for your Buck!

Our name notwithstanding, Shabbos House operates ALL week, with numerous weekday events, and is always open and welcoming to individual students for study, friendship and discussions, or to assist with urgent needs.

As the crowd has grown, so have the expenses. It costs far more to serve a Shabbos meal to 120-180 students in 2007, than it cost to serve 25-30 students in 1997. Attendance at all our events has increased, and so have the costs. In addition, due to increased need, new services are provided, adding to the cost.

Shabbos House is very grateful for the generous support and appreciation from our 'extended family' - YOU make it possible!



\$36 CHABAD ON CAMPUS RAFFLE

Link from "What's Happening?" page on the Shabbos House website to the secure online purchase page.

- \$10,000 Grand Prize
- No cost to Shabbos House
- Ticket purchases (via this link) benefit Shabbos House directly
- Drawing to be held July 4 Wknd
- Names/Info are not being stored by Chabad on Campus beyond the purposes of this raffle

Special thanks to
CHAI CLUB
supporters for their
monthly support:



- Baruch Daniel Gurwitz
- Ben Kallos
- Rob and Elana Klein
- Rabbi Chaim & Chani Lazaroff
- Brian Levine
- Lauren Kalkstein
- Rabbi Choni & Gitty Lesches
- Harold & Andrea Krongelb

OPERATING FUND

Yes! I/We would like to sponsor an event below in honor/memory of:

☐ Friday Night Dinner \$500

Help defray the extensive costs of our hallmark event. Home-cooked Shabbat dinner with warm family atmosphere. Between 120-180 students of all backgrounds participate.

☐ Shabbos Lunch \$175

"Best Kept Secret at UAlbany" (EdL.) Now 30-60 students with Kiddush, Chulent, Salads and Desserts. Often students linger all afternoon with noshing, games, chat or study.

☐ Shalosh Seudos \$50

Light meal at close of Shabbat in early Fall & Late Spring, enlivened with song & study.

☐ Kiddush \$25

L'chaim! Grape juice or wine - traditional welcome to the Shabbat meal.

☐ Challah with Love \$36

Homemade Challah baked and distributed by Students to the elderly and home-bound.

☐ Jamming Night \$120

Sat Night monthly special, with Pizza, Hot Pretzels and Nosh. Variety of musical styles.

☐ BBQ's \$150

Sukkah Building, Lag B'Omer, Summer etc..

☐ Minyan Bagel Brunches \$75

Prayers and a delicious brunch on Sundays.

☐ Learning Nights \$100

Rabbi Mendel's original, relevant Torah text studies, with Raizy's delicious dairy dinners, each Tuesday evening.

☐ Mitzvah Awareness \$54

co-sponsor popular Shofar Factory & Latke Table etc... promoting Jewish tradition.

☐ Holiday Packets \$18

Thousands of Holiday giveaways in all University cafeterias: Honey-cookies, Dreidels & Hamantaschen etc..

☐ Speakers/Performers \$750

Past speakers included Dr. Susskind "Falling in Love, Staying in Love", Dr. Laz "Diversity - Together!" & "Matisyahu" -Hasidic Reggae.

☐ Mini-Shabbat \$200

Cozy Shabbat Dinners when Campus is not in session during Winter & Summer Breaks.

☐ Amount of Your Choice! _____

Every bit counts! Due to minimal overhead & salary expenses, Shabbos House maximizes your contribution to best reach the students.

Some funds for some of these events are received from partnering groups (L'chaim & ZFA (SA) & UAlbany Hillel), but these events and services and many others would not be possible without your support. THANK YOU!

BUILDING FUND

(payable over 2 years)

- ☐ (\$500) Half-Share
- ☐ (\$1,000) Share
- ☐ (\$1,800) Chai Share / Mezuzah
- ☐ (\$2,500) Investor Share
- ☐ (\$3,600) Host Share
- ☐ (\$5,400) Builder Share
- ☐ Other \$ _____

☐ Please contact us with additional dedication opportunities and information about the new, bigger and better Shabbos House Building.

☐ Please contact us to discuss donations of stock or endowments.

COOKBOOK

Please send me _____ copies of "A Taste of Shabbos House" @ \$22.50 incl. S&H.

Contributions payable to
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☐ CHAI CLUB

monthly credit-card payments:

\$ _____ from ____/____ to ____/____

☐ Operating ☐ Building ☐ 50/50

> **NY ALUMNI VISITS** Keeping in touch with so many friends over the years is quite a challenge, but it is very important to us. In addition to the annual summer reunion which is a very special opportunity to reconnect with alumni friends spanning the years, we also try to arrange individual visits at homes or offices during winter and summer breaks. If you'd like to get together, we'll be in the NY area (tentatively) from July 28th (after the reunion) thru August 3rd and possibly again August 11th thru 14th. Call or email!

Save the dates!

NYC ALUMNI REUNION

Sunday 1-3pm, July 27th 2008
at the Chabad Loft

182 5th Ave, 2nd Floor, near 23rd Street
within 2 blocks from the NRQWV456 trains

\$20 suggested donation per person

featuring Shabbos House Salads & Desserts

9/14/08: CORNERSTONE

A cornerstone ceremony on the construction site
of the new, bigger and better Shabbos House

10/21/08: SIMCHAT TORAH

ALUMNI MAZAL TOVS

Engagement of Danyel Goldberg ('07) and Tani Klein
Engagement of Rachel Serkin ('08) and Mike Landsman ('05/'07)
Engagement of Craig Brimmer ('05) & Jessica Rosengarten ('08)
Engagement of Shawn Hinds ('04) and Yonit Roitman ('05)
Engagement of Mark Goodman ('01) and Allison Barrer
Engagement of Rich Wachtel ('04) to Michelle Beller
Marriage of Dan Goetz ('92) to Bonnie Dubin
Birth of Kaitlin-Mackenzie/Kaylah-May'an to Dan ('04) & Jenni Levy
Birth of Yehudah Leib to Shaina (Marrus) ('98) & Larry Copeland



Visiting Alumni Presidents Week 2008



*Not all visits pictured

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