



What's Cooking?

at Shabbos House

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



APPROACHING THE FINISH LINE

The dream is becoming a reality! G-d willing, the expected completion of the new Shabbos House will be this August, with the opening dedication ceremony scheduled for Sept 13th. See page 6 for construction updates or google: "320 Building Blog".

Thanks to the many who've generously contributed to the Building Fund over the years, we paid over one million for construction and services through April '09 and exhausted the Building Fund. A friend of Shabbos House has arranged an interest-free loan of \$100,000 for the May '09 payment and now, approximately \$400,000 remains to complete the project (not including furnishings or finished basement). A construction loan will ensure uninterrupted construction progress, which the bank will convert into a mortgage at the building's completion.

Building Fund contributions/pledges during these next few months will help bridge the gap and minimize the size of the monthly mortgage payments. The 50% match has been extended to 6/30/09. At Shabbos House we endeavor to maximize the bang for the buck and limit overhead expenses. Your support now makes a major difference in our future.

Please join us (if you can) on 9/13, the Sunday before Rosh Hashanah for "Sweet-Beginnings" to dedicate the building and open the doors of greater possibilities and transition to a new era. We look forward to creating new memories for future generations of students, while continuing the old, beloved traditions of "the little house that could" serving UAlbany since 1976. The building construction is quickly progressing to the finish line, but at Shabbos House it's actually just a wonderful new beginning!

Love,
Rabbi Mendel & Raizy, Mushky, Chani, Moshe, Sara, Bassie & Bluma

SHABBOS HOUSE

Jewish Student Center

a project of Capital Chabad Centers
Chabad Lubavitch of the Capital District
316 Fuller Rd
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Spring '09 Highlights

- Birth of Baby Bluma in January
- Jewish Womens Connection: Spa for Body & Soul, Womens Cabaret and Tea Party Night
- Edible Tu-Bishvat Flowers at Campus Center Tabling
- 20's & 30's Shabbat during Academic Breaks
- 10 Torah-Tuesdays, including Moshe's "SichaArt" on his 9th birthday, Aleexa Sklover's "And Justice For All" classes on "Downturn Torah" & "Audacity of Hope"
- Pre-Purim Persian Shabbat & Purim Packets
- L'Chaim Purim Carnival at CC Ballroom and the Don't Mess with the Esther Feast at Shabbos House
- UAlbany Guests at Shabbos House: Vice President of Student Success Christine Bouchard, Presidents Office Chief of Staff Vince Delio, and the new Dean of the School of Business Dr. Donald Siegel
- Last Days of Passover Festive Meals & Minyans
- Mushky's Bas-Mitzvah Celebration and her "Nano-Messages" Powerpoint at CNSE Nanotech
- First annual Reading Day L'Chaim Board incoming and outgoing board luncheon
- Lag B'Omer Firepit, S'mores and Choco-Fountain
- Tours of the new building in its various stages of construction progress
- Friday Nights, Onegs, Shabbos Lunches & much more!

ALUMNI VISITING SHABBOS HOUSE



Former "320ers" check out the inside of the new Shabbos House at 320 Fuller Road



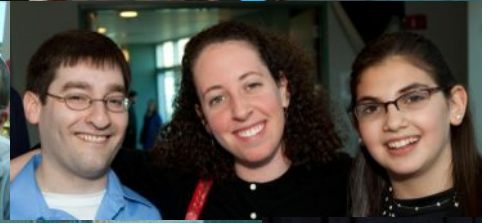
Surprise Visit



Visiting from Israel & the IDF



Graduation Weekend



Adam & Allie's Sheva Brachos

Alumni at Mushky's Bat-Mitzvah



Save these Dates!

Sunday, July 26th, 2009:

ANNUAL NYC ALUMNI REUNION

Sunday 1-3pm at the Chabad Loft 182 5th Ave, 2nd Floor, near 23rd Street within 2 blocks from the NRQWV456 trains
\$20 suggested donation per person, \$50 sponsor featuring Shabbos House Specialties & Desserts

Sunday, September 13th, 2009:

OPENING DAY BUILDING DEDICATION

Pre-Rosh Hashanah "Sweet Beginnings" with ribbon-cutting, festive first of many celebrations (G-d willing!) in the new, bigger and better Shabbos House.

Sat Night, October 10th, 2009:

SIMCHAT TORAH & HOMECOMING

first Simchat Torah in the new building, and in the expanded custom-built Sukkah Deck, along with UAlbany's Homecoming and Parents Weekend.

ALUMNI MAZAL TOVS

Josh & Faith Fisch on their twins Miriam Yonina & Shayna Michal
Rob and Elana Klein on the birth of their son Eliezer Michael
Jerry & Suzie Kahn on the birth of their daughter Julie
Rich Wachtel and Michele Beller on their recent wedding this spring
Rachel Commer & Yehudah Gass on their wedding this summer
Kimi Wolk and Josh Siskind on their wedding this summer
May we always share Simchas! We apologize for inadvertent omissions.

REMEMBERING RONEN SEGAL OB" M

Class of 2000

Ronen was deeply sensitive and spiritual, filled with inspiration, love and yearning. His untimely passing leaves a void, may his memory be a blessing.

His family established a trust for his two young daughters (ages 5 and 6). The money raised will be used for their educational and other needs.

The Ronen Segal Memorial Trust
c/o Segal & Schuh Law Group,
13575 58th Street N. Suite 140, Clearwater, FL 33760
You can email his family at: ronenmemories@gmail.com.



MUSHKY'S BAS-MITZVAH AT NANOTECH



updated Rubín Family photo



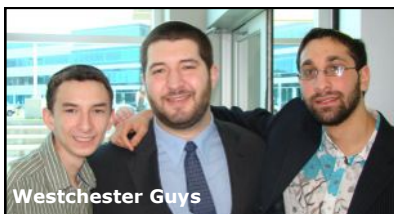
Buffet Reception in NanoFab
North Rotunda on Fuller Road



Don & Yefim
Architect and Contractor
Building Shabbos House's Future



In the Auditorium



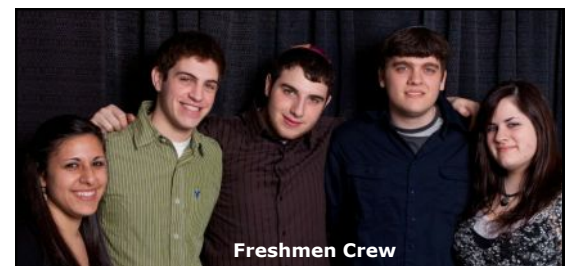
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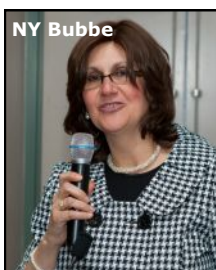
Setting up the Powerpoint



Big Sisters...



Freshmen Crew



NY Bubbe



Both
Zeides



Community Friends



Albany Bubbe



Aviva & Noa



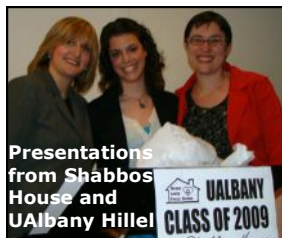
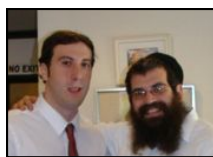
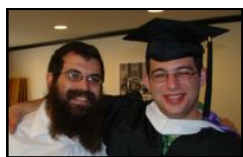
Business Dean addresses Grad Party



Watching Memories Powerpoint at Grad Party



Class Gift



Senior Roast at Grad Party



FROM THE SHABBOS HOUSE MAILBOX

"When I entered college part of me wanted to forget about religion, at the end of college I see that being born Jewish is one of the greatest gifts..." - *graduating senior*

"We left her four years ago for Shabbat dinner, and our last stop today was with you..." - *parent of a graduating senior*

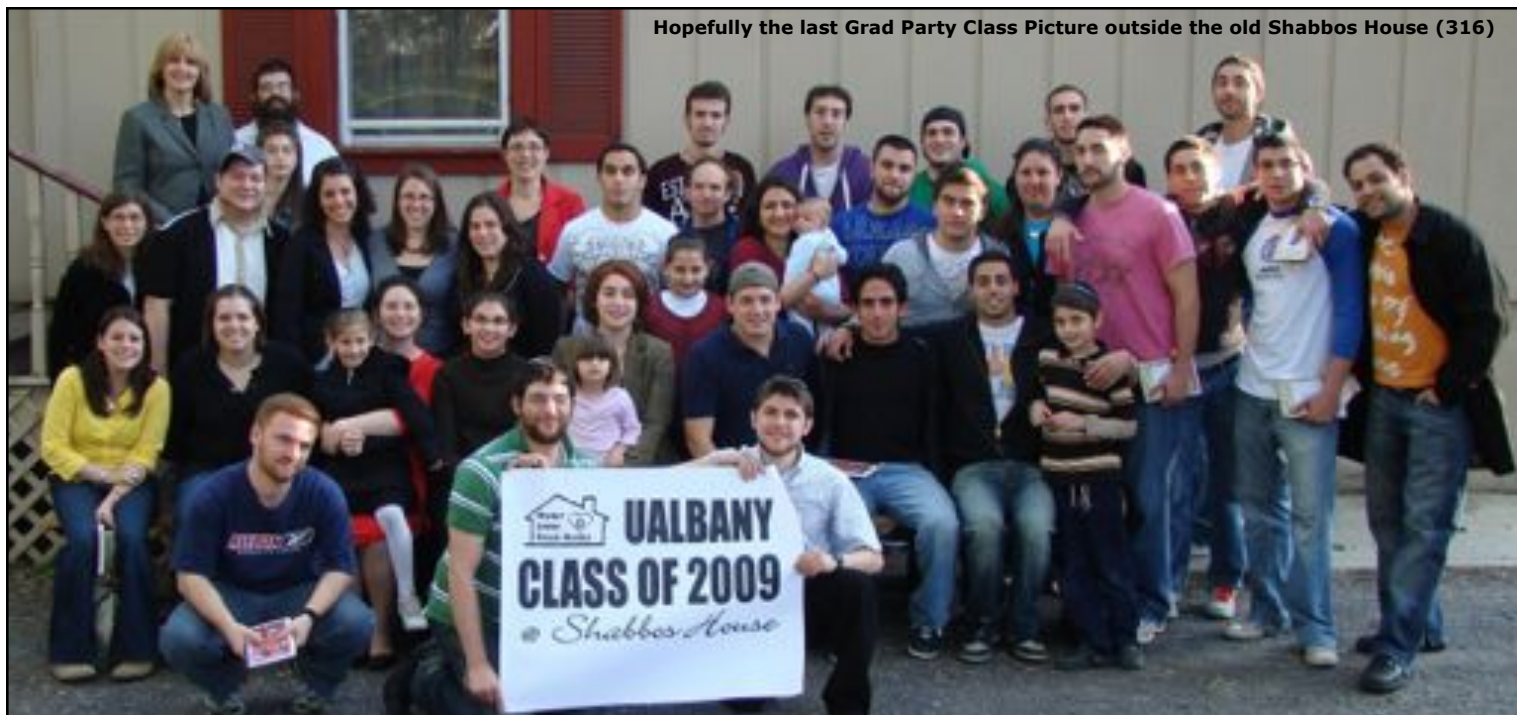
"I'm glad I was here for one year in the old Shabbos House to appreciate the transition next year..." - *freshmen student*

"It means a lot to us that despite the recession Shabbos House hasn't cut back on programming..." - *student leader*

"We can't thank you enough for the care and concern you've shown our son. It's a credit to the Rebbe's memory and to all of the Jewish people..." - *parent of freshman student*

"The cooperation and alternating between Chabad and Hillel at UAlbany is an enviable model..." - *visiting student*

Hopefully the last Grad Party Class Picture outside the old Shabbos House (316)



Mendel and Raizy - Day in and day out you have dedicated your time, food, home, heart, hugs and laughter to the students. Every potato that was peeled, table-card placed, or Torah-Tuesday that was developed, included love and dedication. You created a community in which everyone and anyone can be themselves. You educated and supported every student's endeavors, kissed injuries and lent a listening ear. Most of all, thank you for bringing all that Judaism has to offer into each of our lives. Thank you for being our friends and family. **Rubin Kids** - Thanks for the fun and energy and for reminding us what its like to be kids again. **To the extended Shabbos House family** - it's only months away from opening weekend at the new Shabbos House and we are all so excited to witness the house being built... - *The Class of 2009*





Getting in the Sukkah Spirit



Rubin Kids first visit upstairs to family apartment



Year 'Round Sukkah Deck and Access Ramp



placement of Cornerstone dedicated on 9/14/08 in the front porch brick



toward the new doors, more space and many more possibilities!



CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

UNDERWAY OR NEAR COMPLETION

- 2-toned Vinyl Siding and Brick Accent
- 4-zoned HVAC and plumbing systems
- Sprinkler System & Fire-Alarm System
- Electrical, Phone and Cable Wiring
- Year 'Round and Sukkah Deck
- Accessible Ramp to Deck
- Insulation Installation

SOON TO BEGIN

- Sheetrock
- Solar Hot Water, subsidized by special gift
- Accessible Sidewalk to future Fuller Road Sidewalk
- Final Site Grading & Bush Screen Plantings

Dedication Opportunities are still available.
Please contact us for more information.

"320 BUILDING BLOG" updated photos online, via "news in the family" & "what's happening" at www.shabboshouse.com (or via web search) look for updates as work continues... Unfortunately, during April and May we were unable to update due to the hectic semester, look for updates to resume in June and through the project completion.

Thank You for making Shabbos House SPRING '09 possible.

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Thanks to their generosity Shabbos House is possible.

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Goods & Services

SPECIAL THANKS TO

- L'chaim Board members of 2008-9 for great brainstorming meetings, Shabbos and event prep, getting the word out & hours tabling on campus.
- Adam Kris, Mike Sagesse, Roy Monselise for their assistance via CPSP

- Class of 2009 for Gift-Cards to purchase couch for new Shabbos House
- Hoffman Family for Graduation Weekend Pastries & Desserts.
- Elaina Remin for donation of beautiful bedroom set furniture.
- David Gosman at PC America for hosting www.shabboshouse.com
- Maxine Morgenbesser for last-minute hard-to-get Kosher specialties.
- The Party Warehouse on Fuller Rd for donating cases and cases of paper-goods for the entire spring '09 semester

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Gil Abada	Rabbi Schneor & Estie Greenberg
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Engineer

Contribution Matters

Shabbos House receives NO direct funding from the University, National Chabad or the United Jewish Federation. We do receive some co-sponsorship grants from the L'CHAIM, ZFA and other (SA) 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 2009, 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!

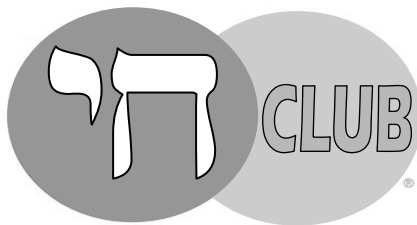


\$36 CHABAD ON CAMPUS RAFFLE

Links from "What's Happening?" or "Links" page on the Shabbos House website to the secure

online purchase page on Chabad.edu. Purchases made using these links will directly benefit Shabbos House.

- \$10,000 Grand Prize
- No cost to Shabbos House
- Ticket purchases (via these links) benefit Shabbos House directly
- Drawing to be held June 28, 2009
- Names/Info are not being stored by Chabad on Campus (chabad.edu) beyond purposes of this raffle



Please consider joining the Shabbos House "Chai Club" of monthly contributors of any amount: \$10, \$18, \$36 or \$50. Your ongoing contribution can be designated to Operating, Building or 50/50 and it can be canceled, modified or upgraded at any time.

In this time of economic hardship it can be difficult for many to make large sponsorship contributions, but a gift of \$10 monthly isn't as hard on the pocket, yet it goes a long way in supporting ongoing Shabbos House events and programming.

"Home Away From Home - Where Every Jew is Family"

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mail@shabboshouse.com
www.shabboshouse.com

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.

☐ Torah-Tuesdays \$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.

☐ Cozy-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(SA) & UAlbany Hillel) and others, 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 *back in print!*

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

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monthly credit-card payments:

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☐ Operating ☐ Building ☐ 50/50