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E-Shabbaton #23
Friday, February 27 2009
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Shabbat, February 28, 2009

Light Candles at 5:24 pm
Shabbat Ends at 6:24 pm

Submissions for the Shabbaton should be emailed to bstein@hacdalbany.com by Wednesday at 12noon.

Calendar Reminders:

Monday, March 2 , 2009	3:30 Play Rehearsal
Tuesday, March 3, 2009	3:00pm Drama Kids 3:15pm 5/6 girls basketball 5:00pm 7/8 boys basketball
Wednesday, March 4, 2009	3:15pm 5/6 boys basketball 3:15pm OVA 3:15pm Band 3:30pm Play Rehearsal
Thursday, March 5, 2009	3:15pm 3/4 boys basketball 3:30pm Chess Club
Friday, March 6, 2009	1:40pm Oneg
Saturday, March 7, 2009	7:30pm Basketball Challenge Night
Sunday, April 5, 2009	Family Spaghetti Dinner at HACD

Important Shabbaton Note

We are in the process of revamping the EShabbaton. Our weekly edition has been getting so large that we often have difficulty with getting on the internet on Fridays. We will happily include blurbs about events and programs but unfortunately cannot include flyers any more. Thank you in advance for understanding this needed change.

For Millennia, Jews have been known as the "People of the Book"; the book being the Torah. We have treasured its teachings and have placed tremendous emphasis on the values inherent in it. We have also valued the entire concept of literacy and obtaining knowledge. Our librarian, Nancy Eson, shares a recent program which demonstrates that we are "of the book" in a different context.

Aunt Helen's Closet Closes the Door on PARP



Aunt Helen Rafting in Africa

On Tuesday, students in kindergarten through fifth grades had a special treat. Every child (and every adult!) became part of "Aunt Helen's Closet", an amazing program presented by Ellen Mnich, storyteller. Aunt Helen was a real person, and Ms. Mnich's own great aunt. Aunt Helen travelled the world for 60 years, collecting a huge amount of clothing and artifacts from her travels. Ms. Mnich tells the story of her aunt's life by showing the students items from her "closet", which filled our library for the day.

Students experienced the program two grades at a time, allowing them each to participate by wearing some of Aunt Helen's things. Our students were fascinated to see and learn how different and the same people are all over the world, and loved "dressing up" in clothing from so many different cultures. Stay tuned for pictures on our website!

Ms. Mnich provided educational materials, including passports, pictures and primary documents for classrooms to use outside of the program. For example, fourth grade used Aunt Helen's passports to figure out when and where she had travelled.

Aunt Helen's Closet was the culminating event for our PARP (Parents As Reading Partners) program, whose theme was Read Around The World. Ms. Mnich explained that "what you read makes you who you are". She told how her aunt loved to read about adventures around the world as a child, and grew up to be a world adventurer. The students learned that reading opens the world to them.

Thank you to all the parents and children who participated in our PARP program. If you have not already done so, please have your children return the PARP form to their teachers, so they may receive a certificate of participation.

Thanks also to Liz Goldstein for photography, and to Caroline Levine for helping with the younger grades.

Cub Scouts

Boys in grades 1-5: Do you like to hike? Do you like to build neat stuff and learn about interesting things? We do these and more each month. So join us in Cub Scout Pack 18! It's never too late to join! Contact Adam Selsley at hacdpack18@hotmail.com or call 724-3743 for more information

Bet Shraga Hebrew Academy

Presents...

**Friday Morning Learning with our own Rabbi Rami Strosberg
For the HACD Community, every Friday morning
From 8:00am – 8:30am
A different lesson taught each week.**

Purim carnival

Carnival and tricky tray Family Fun Day at Congregation Ohav Shalom
March 8, 2009 1:30 am to 2:00pm
Silent Auction, Food, Festivities

Purim Requests

We need an organized person to collect the forms, tally everything up and place the order.
When the orders arrive, simply label the containers and hand them out to the kids to take home.
We still have the label format from prior years - so very ez
So... what do you say? Wanna have fun doing something yummy???
Contact Deborah at daygold@nycap.rr.com

Spotlight on Miriam

Join the celebration of Sisters at the Sea in Song, Dance, Music and Art.

Spotlight on Miriam: Starring:

Dancer: Ana Avital

The Miriam Ensemble: Barbara Eckhaus, Marla Eglowstein, Sherry Kearns Miriam Award Honoree: Dr. Marla Eglowstein

Also featuring:

Live Music BMC & Bnos Chaya Presentations Interactive Joyous Dancing & Singing with women & girls.

Tambourine Decorating with local artists Sushi, Appetizers and Desserts Vendors, Raffle, gifts for all and more...

Tickets:

\$18 Preregistration, \$25 at the door \$100 Event Sponsor

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All Proceeds to benefit the Jewish Girls Retreat, BMC, SOS, and Charity.

AD Size: \$36 Card, \$54 1/4 page, \$100 Half page, \$180 Full page, \$300 Gold Page.

Payment can be made online at www.jewishgirlsretreat.net <<http://www.jewishgirlsretreat.net/>>
click Donate.

Miriam Dance Group

Please join us for a Planning Meeting and Picture for the Jewish World this Sunday, March 1, 2009, 3:30 pm. at Maimonides, 404 Partridge St. Albany (NOT the Library).

Committee will plan the event, share ideas and divide up roles and (bake - if time).

All Girls ages 10-14 can join the Miriam Dance Group.

We also need a few girls to sing a song and practice interviewing Miriam. (Questions will be prepared for you).

We really appreciate your participation! All are welcome to get involved in being a part of this great event!

Together we will "Empower Youth, Link Generations, Illuminate Lives."

With Thanks,
Nechama Laber

Concert

Please join us for this incredible celebration!

Please make your family and friends aware of this world renowned Israeli musician and friends coming to the Capital Region. DON'T MISS THIS "ONCE-IN-A-LIFETIME" OPPORTUNITY TO CELEBRATE PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE IN ISRAEL...

Concert with Yair Dalal and Friends

March 3, 2009 7:00PM Kathleen Mcmanus Picotte Recital Hall

Massry Center for the Arts

College of St. Rose

Challah for Shabbat delivered at School!

▶ **8th Grade parents will send challah home on Friday with your child.**

Please make check payable to Hebrew Academy and send along with this form to

Julie Adler via Kiddie Mail, **Orders MUST reach Julie by 5pm on Monday.** No orders will be taken over the phone.

A check, payable to HACD with *Challah* in memo line, must accompany every order.

All proceeds benefit the 8th grade trip to Israel.

Challahs are from Rockland Bakery, and are Pareve/Kosher Certified

The Challah price is discounted if you buy more than one **each week**.

Send home with:	Grade _____ Phone _____		
	One Challah per week Check off the week	More than one Challah per Week Write # per week	
Delivery Date	1 Pound Challah \$4.50 each	1 Pound Challah \$4.00 each	TOTAL
03/06/09			
03/20/09			
03/27/09			
		TOTAL DUE:	

Questions? Julie Adler

Has your car taken a beating from this winter weather? Is your car looking gritty and grimy? Has your auto lost it's shine?

If you answered yes to even one of these questions, then help is just a phone call (or e-mail) away!

The 8th grade is selling Hoffman Car Wash Tickets to help fund their upcoming Israel trip. Instead of letting your car look like it's taken a bath in the Dead Sea, buy a few car wash tickets from an 8th grader and help THEM get the chance to take a bath in the Dead Sea instead (your car and the 8th grade will thank you!)

Full Service tickets - \$17.00 each, Exterior Wash tickets - \$8.00 each.

To purchase, call Julie Adler - 489-7017 or e-mail to jamminwithjulie@gmail.

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Calling All Hebrew Academy Moms...

Bet Shraga Ladies Night Out!

At the Home Of Karen Setzen 2 Whitestone Way, Slingerlands (off Blessing Road)

Kosher Hors D'oeuvre and drinks

Ask Questions about HACD, Shmooze, Have Fun!

Sunday Evening

March 15th at 6:30 p.m.

R.S.V.P to Wendy Schaffer at hwschaffer@aol.com or 439-4765

Join Bet Shraga Hebrew Academy Families for a Spaghetti Dinner

Sunday, April 5th 5pm

At Bet Shraga

\$5 – feeds the whole family!

Take a break from cleaning for Passover and enjoy dinner with family & friends!

Please RSVP to school office by April 1st

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Family Name: _____

Number attending: _____

Yes, I/we can volunteer to help with:

___ Set-up ___ Cooking ___ Serving ___ Clean-up

Volunteer Name: _____ Tel. #(h/w/c) _____

Call or email: Sherry Ashery sashery@nycap.rr.com 456-3985 or

Wendy Schaffer hwschaffer@aol.com 439-4765 with questions-

We need your help to make this night fun for everyone

HACD 7th and 8th Graders Vs. Parents, Alumni and Staff

WHEN: March 7th 7-10 pm

WHERE: Bet Shraga HACD Gym

COST: \$5/person, family maximum of \$20 (age 6 and under, free!)

CONTACT/SIGN UP TO PLAY: Rich "Buckets" Bernhardt at: richb12211@yahoo.com or

.....Arnie "Hoops" Adler at: aadler@nysdhcr.gov

Box Tops for Education

Each Box Top coupon is **worth 10¢** for our school. You can clip Box Tops coupons from hundreds of your favorite products. Check out more details at: <http://www.boxtops4education.com/>

Parent Org will post the 5 students who submit the most Box Tops each month. The student who collects the most box tops from March thru June will earn an end-of-the-year treat for their class!

Earnings since 2002: **\$1,850** Earnings last school year: **\$523** Earnings so far this year: **\$100**