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E-Shabbaton #10
Friday, November 7, 2008
9 Cheshvan, 5768



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Shabbat November 8, 2008

Light Candles at 4:22 pm
Shabbat Ends at 5:22 pm

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

Calendar Reminders:

Saturday, November 8, 2008	Bar Mitzvah of Alec Evan
Monday, November 10, 2008	Second grade conferences 3:00pm Evacuation Dismissal Drill; Carpool pickup at church on Russell Road
Tuesday, November 11, 2008	Conference Day No classes for students
Wednesday, November 12, 2008	Fifth Grade Conferences 3:15pm Band 3:15pm 5/6 boys basketball 3:15pm OVA 3:15pm Band
Thursday, November 13, 2008	3:15pm 3/4 boys basketball 3:30pm Chess Club
Friday, November 14, 2008	10:00am Kindergarten Taste of Shabbat 1:40pm Oneg
Saturday, November 29, 2008	8:30pm Adult Comedy Night
Sunday, December 14, 2008	5:00pm River Rats Game Adult tickets \$13.00, children under 12/seniors \$9.00 Singers Free
Monday, December 22, 2008	Shlock Rock Concert

Mazal Tov to Alec Evan and his family on his becoming a Bar Mitzvah.

Mazal Tov to Aviva and Ben Schwartz on the birth of their son.



Happy Birthday: November



Maxx Evan	November 3 rd	Zev Ginsburg	November 21 st
Brandon Gordon	November 5 th	Orly Katz	November 22 nd
Sean Setzen	November 6 th	Matan Adler	November 23 rd
Zev Siegfeld	November 6 th	Melissa Kearns	November 25 th
Isaac Weingarten	November 6 th	Jeremie Inhaber-Courchesne	November 26 th
Kira Gold	November 10 th	Eli Kligerman	November 27 th

Todah Rabah to our October Donors

Joel and Mindy Huber in honor of Rabbi Rami Strosberg
Vivian Judkowitz in honor of Roz and Gary Judd for being so kind and such wonderful hosts
Dvora Heckelman in honor of the birth of twins to Stacy Rubtchinsky

A Dvar Torah from Rabbi Rena Kieval

Lech Lecha – Journeys

“Go; *lech*,” God tells Avram, “leave everything and go to the land that I show you.” Avram’s journey will take him from one geographic place to another. But his journey is much more than that, for him and for the Jewish people, whose history begins right here. The first few lines of this week’s Torah portion capture the complexities of embarking on a journey that changes everything.

“Go, *lech lecha*.” From a tiny word that seems superfluous, “*lecha*,” “for you,” Torah commentators find different motivations for Avram, or for any of us, to follow God. Go “for yourself” – follow God because it will benefit you, says one interpretation. Others see the double language as a promise of the future – go for yourself, and for the generations to follow. A third reading, from the Hasidic tradition, is “go *to* yourself,” suggesting the journey we may take into our deepest selves to find God.

The Torah impresses upon us how challenging this journey is for Avram, as it pointedly lists the important connections he must leave behind: his country, his birthplace, and his parents’ home. Sometimes the journey God asks of us can be a lonely one, especially when it means being an innovator or becoming a leader.

As Avram is introduced to us with God’s command to “go,” we admire his faith and commitment. We also learn that our own journeys with God, for God and to God come from a variety of motivations and may follow many different paths.

B’nai Mitzvah Video Essay Contest

Are you between the ages of 11 and 15? Did you take part in amazing and inspiring *mitzvah* project for your *Bar* or *Bat Mitzvah*? Are you ready to inspire others with your great work and have the chance to win great prizes? Then send or email a DVD describing your *mitzvah* project. All submissions must be received by **Friday, December 19th**. Make sure that your video is no longer than 7 minutes long and try to be as creative as possible! For entry information, **CONTACT: Sharon Stahl at 201-244-6702 or sharon@areyvut.org**

Please Join Us For A Taste Of Camp Ramah.

Are you interested in learning more about Camp Ramah New England, the outstanding summer camping program in Palmer Massachusetts, for your child, student, grandchild or other young family member? Join us when we welcome Rabbi Ethan Linden, associate director of Camp Ramah New England, to our community.

WHEN: This coming Sunday, November 9, at noon for a brief program, Ramah dvd presentation, and Q&A.

WHERE: Congregation Ohav Shalom, 113 New Krumkill Road in Albany. We will meet in the Ohav sanctuary.

ALL ARE WELCOME! For more informartion, please contact Rabbi Dan Ornstein at ohavrab@aol.com or at 489-4706.

On the 2nd night of Chanukah



**BET SHRAGA
HEBREW
ACADEMY**



Has two words for you...

SHLOCK ROCK

**Refreshments
Available**

All proceeds to
benefit the
Bet Shraga
Hebrew Academy



Questions
Contact
Jen Jarose
at HACD
482-0464

**Sponsored by
HACD
Parent Org.**

**December 22, 2008
6:30pm**

Limited Seating Available

Advance Tickets - \$10
Family Package: \$45 for 5 tickets
Premier Seating - \$18
Children 5 and under are free
At the Door - \$13

**Where?
Congregation
Ohav Shalom
115 Krumkill Road
Albany, NY 12208**

Please send reservations and payment to HACD 54 Sand Creek Rd., Albany, NY 12205

Credit Cards are accepted, please call HACD at 482-0464

All tickets will be available for pick up the Friday before or can be picked up the night of the concert (HACD Families will receive them in kiddie mail).

\$7
Admission



You're invited
to celebrate...

Middle School

CHANUKKAH MIXER

*Music, games, dancing, food
and making friends... join us
for the best party of the year!*

WHEN: DECEMBER 20, 2008 7:30-10:00 PM

WHERE: BET SHRAGA HEBREW ACADEMY

OPEN INVITATION: ALL JEWISH 6-8TH GRADERS

COST: \$7 AT THE DOOR

RSVP TO: [JULIEANDARNIE@GMAIL.COM](mailto:julieandarnie@gmail.com)

This dance mixer is open to all Jewish middle-school aged children in Grades 6 - 8 in the Capital District. No other persons will be permitted entrance to the dance. This requirement will be strictly enforced at the front door

HARLEY-DAVIDSON *Giveaway*

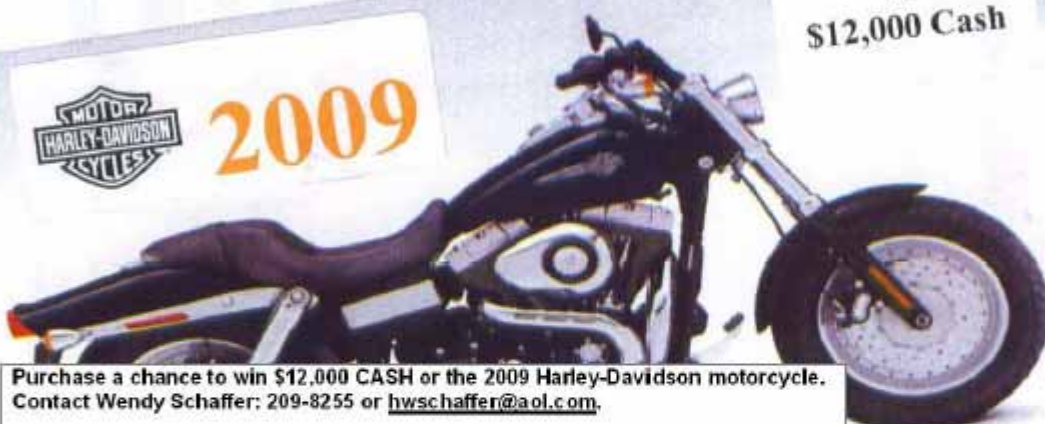
TICKETS \$50

A \$15,000 RETAIL VALUE

Win Motorcycle
or
\$12,000 Cash



2009



Purchase a chance to win \$12,000 CASH or the 2009 Harley-Davidson motorcycle. Contact Wendy Schaffer: 209-8255 or hwscchaffer@aol.com.

Consider selling 5 or more raffles at your place of employment or in your neighborhood. We must sell 750 by April 20, 2009. You will be supplied with raffle book(s) and flyers for display. PLEASE HELP RAISE FUNDS TO SUPPORT BET SHRAGA HEBREW ACADEMY.

FOR EVERY 15 RAFFLE TICKETS YOU SELL, YOU WILL EARN 1 RAFFLE ENTRY AT NO CHARGE!

MOTORCYCLES
KDF FAT BOB™

RULES and DISCLAIMER:

- Minimum of 750 tickets must be sold or drawing will be delayed.
 - Exactly 1,000 tickets have been produced for sale.
 - Purchase of this ticket does not constitute a tax deductible contribution.
 - For more information, contact Cheryl at 519-466-3255.
 - Winner pays all applicable taxes and fees. Need not be present to win.
 - Winner is responsible for pick up of motorcycle and all related costs.
 - Proceeds to support Hebrew Academy Tuition Scholarship Fund.
 - Checks payable to: Hebrew Academy in memo to: Harley
- Sponsored by Brunswick Harley-Davidson/Buell, Inc.

Ticket Sales Benefit

HACD Tuition Scholarship Fund

DRAWING: 2009 Spring Heritage Awards Dinner

Brunswick Harley-Davidson/Buell, Inc

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Callah 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

Paula Binyamin via Kiddie Mail, **Orders MUST reach Paula 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.



NEW! Challahs are from Rockland Bakery, and are Parve/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
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11/14/08			
11/21/08			
12/5/08			
12/12/08			
12/19/08			
		TOTAL DUE:	

Questions?

Paula Binyamin sienna04@yahoo.com

SCHOOL SPIRIT WEAR ORDER FORM



Item Description/ Size	Qty	Price	Sub Total
<u>Lands' End Short Sleeve White Polo with Embroidered School Logo</u>			
Polo (Kids 7-8)	_____	x \$10	_____
Polo (Kids 10-12)	_____	x \$10	_____
Polo (Kids 14-16)	_____	x \$10	_____
Polo (Kids 18-20)	_____	x \$10	_____

<u>Lands' End Short Sleeve White T-Shirt with Embroidered School Logo</u>			
T (Kids 7-8)	_____	x \$8	_____
T (Kids 10-12)	_____	x \$8	_____
T (Kids 14-16)	_____	x \$8	_____
T (Kids 18-20)	_____	x \$8	_____

<u>Canvas Tote Bag</u>	_____	x \$15	_____
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<u>Pocket Hoodie Sweat Shirt - White with Royal Blue Embroidery (HACD)</u>			
Adult Small White	_____	x \$20	_____
Adult Medium White	_____	x \$20	_____
Adult Large White	_____	x \$20	_____
Adult XL White	_____	x \$20	_____
Adult XXL White	_____	x \$20	_____

<u>Pocket Hoodie Sweat Shirt - Royal Blue with White Embroidery (HACD)</u>			
Adult Small Blue	_____	x \$20	_____
Adult Medium Blue	_____	x \$20	_____
Adult Large Blue	_____	x \$20	_____
Adult XL Blue	_____	x \$20	_____
Adult XXL Blue	_____	x \$20	_____

Personalize Your Sweat Shirt _____ x \$7/\$10 _____
 *Single Line in block print- \$7, additional line add \$3

(PLEASE PRINT NAME CLEARLY – Allow 2 weeks for job turn around)

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____ Order Total _____

Please send Cash or Check made out to "HACD," with "Parent Org" listed in the memo area, to Liz Goldstein. If you have any questions, please contact Liz at emgold@nycap.rr.com.

Box Tops for Education:



CONGRATULATIONS HACD!!! We collected and submitted 875 box tops for the October 31, 2008 deadline. That earns \$87.50 for our school. Keep up the great work! I apologize that we were unable to recognize every individual who contributed to our success of the last year. As we move forward in the new school year, please remember to put your name on your submission form for proper credit. Please trim box tops and submit either 10 or 25 as noted on the form. Other numbers can be submitted loosely in envelopes or ziplock bags.

Remember that we can earn up to \$20,000 in box tops alone! We can earn up to \$60,000 by utilizing all 3 components of the program.

PARENTS: Please register online and support HACD at <http://www.boxtops4education.com>. Every NEW person who joins the on line booster club earns HACD MONEY! Join now!

Here are some **collection tips** to get you started:

- The Box Top coupon MUST BE INTACT and INCLUDE the EXPIRATION date to be valid
- Box Top coupon must not have expired – check the dates!
- Please do not submit Betty Crocker points or Campbell Soup Labels on the Box Top form.

Collection forms can be downloaded at the website and are included in the monthly Parent Org newsletters. Contact Deborah Gold daygold@nycap.rr.com if you would like some collection forms emailed to you.

The Israel Education Center
Rochie Rubin, Program Coordinator

THE ISRAEL CENTER
199 New Scotland Avenue
Albany, NY 12209
(518) 459 - 0065 ext 202
Email: rochie@jerny.org

Shlichim and Bnot Sherut
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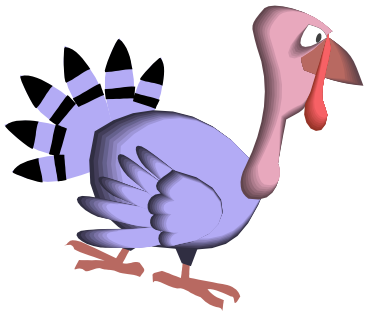
Visit our Website:
www.jerny.org

The JERNY Israel Resource Center
Yoel Hirschfeld, Israel Specialist

THE FEDERATION GOLUB CENTER
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Albany, NY 12203
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Leave the Kids at Home!

Wondering what to do when the turkey's been picked over???

Saturday, NOVEMBER 29, 2008 8:30 pm

Thanksgiving Weekend

Bet Shraga Hebrew Academy PRESENTS

**A Reunion & Gathering of Alumni
Community, Family & Friends**

A Night of (Definitely) Adult Comedy

FEATURING

YISRAEL CAMPBELL

VISIT HIS WEBSITE: <http://www.circumsizeme.com>

Wine & Cheese and Beer Reception

Bet Shraga Hebrew Academy Auditorium

**Advance Tickets: \$20/pp or \$36/couple
\$15/person ages 18 - 30**

**At the Door: If available \$25/per person
\$18/person ages 18 - 30**

Limited seating. Reserve immediately –

Your payment is your reservation.

Send to: Bet Shraga, 54 Sand Creek Road, Albany, NY 12205

Make payable to: HACD. On memo line write: Comedy Night

Include names for reservations; call 518-482-0464



OUR HOPE

OUR CHILDREN

OUR FUTURE



HONORING BARBARA STEIN

As our 2008 Heritage Award recipient, Barbara Stein, has made a lasting impression on the children of Hebrew Academy, we are taking this opportunity to honor her dedication and love to our students by having our children leave their imprint on Hebrew Academy in Mrs. Stein's honor. If you did not have an opportunity to participate in the Spring, we are once again making this opportunity for you and your children to be included in this dedication.

Each parent and Hebrew Academy community member has the opportunity to purchase and permanently display a child's hand imprint on the walls of Hebrew Academy in honor of Barbara Stein.

Every child (and alumni choosing to participate) will create their own hand print(s) in a signed and dated ceramic tile that will be affixed in the primary wing of Bet Shraga Hebrew Academy.

Please fill out form below to purchase a child's hand imprint – 1 hand \$25, a pair \$36. The forms can be mailed or emailed to HACD via kiddie mail or jjarose@hacdalbany.com. Checks should be made payable to HACD. Please denote in memo section: Heritage Hand.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Credit Card (Please call in to Jen Jarose) 482-0464

Name(s) of child(ren) to sponsor

_____ 1 hand \$25 _____ pair of hands \$36

Total sponsorship \$ _____

Thank you for your support.