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MESSAGE FROM THE RABBI

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My wife, Chanie, and I are often asked what drives us to live out here in Bradenton without the structure of the communities that we both grow up in?

Furthermore many have been perplexed at the seeming dichotomy in our lives. We are accepting of Jews of all levels of observance yet we ourselves lead a very observant lifestyle.

The answer is found in one word or rather one person: Rebbe. Our inspiration and motivation stem directly from the Lubavitcher Rebbe, OBM.

The twentieth anniversary of passing of the Lubavitcher Rebbe takes place today, July 1. Many who had the awesome privilege to have a private audience with the Rebbe relate that the Rebbe always pushed them to go beyond their comfort level and to never be satisfied with what they have accomplished. He was never satisfied with the

past but demanded of his followers to forge ahead and create a better tomorrow. The Rebbe had uncompromising respect for G-d, Torah, and the Jewish people.

Yet, at the same time the Rebbe loved and accepted all Jews alike whether they shared in his way of thinking or not.

The Rebbe embodied this seemingly contradicting life style; on one hand living a life guided by the strict principles and standards of Jewish law yet at the same time, embracing those who did not share his ideals or his vision.

One of the basic teachings of the Rebbe was to see the greatness of every Jew. The Rebbe taught that every Jew has a pure soul that is a part of G-d and therefore always connected to G-d. This soul remains holy regardless of his or her outward lifestyle.

The Rebbe taught us to look beyond the exterior aspects of the Jew and see the Jew for what he or she really is; a pure soul, a part of G-d, and

therefore a creation of unlimited potential.

By visualizing the greatness of the Jew, we automatically stop judging and start loving. We stop criticizing and start accepting. We encourage Jewish growth through understanding and recognizing the ultimate unlimited potential that's found in every Jew.

The Rebbe's message of every Jew's capacity for greatness spurs us on daily and help us appreciate the beautiful souls that make up our truly wonderful community.

There are numerous books that have recently been published on the twentieth anniversary of the Rebbe's passing including "My Rebbe" by Adin Steinsaltz and "Rebbe" by Joseph Telushkin.

I encourage you to read these books, delve into the Rebbe's Chassidic teachings, learn about the Rebbe and what he stood for. In doing so, you may learn who you are and what you can still become.

Rabbi Mendy Bukiet

Chabad of Bradenton & Lakewood Ranch is an organization that provides social, educational, recreational, and religious programming. Chabad is a place where every Jew, affiliated or unaffiliated, observant or non-observant, can come and feel comfortable. We believe that regardless of educational background or affiliation, it is the inalienable right of every Jewish person to learn and participate in our heritage, which belongs to us equally.

SHAVUOT AT CHABAD

Shavuot at Chabad consisted of 48 hours of learning, food, prayers and community togetherness.

Minyans were formed on both Shavuot days. All night learning took place on Tuesday, June 3 at the home of Rabbi Mendy and Chanie where attendees spent the night learning as is the custom on the first night of Shavuot.

The learning lasted until 4:00 am in the morning!

On Wednesday, June 4, a huge crowd gathered at The Chabad House for a Shavuot Dairy Fest where they heard the Ten Commandments, and partook in a scrumptious dairy feast consisting of lasagna, blintzes, cheesecakes, ice cream, quiches, salad, and more.

Children enjoyed a special program and adults played an interactive Shavuot Charades game.

Special thanks to all the sponsors, contributors, and volunteers for the Shavuot Dairy Fest namely Dr. Steve & Colleen Shapiro, Pam & Bob Weigert, Alan Boorstein, and Jerry Zivic who made this event possible.

CHS SCHOLARSHIPS



Chabad is preparing for a fabulous year of Hebrew School. We are thankful to the Federation for offering CHS sponsorships to families that qualify. Please contact Jeremy Lisitza at the Jewish Federation at jllisitza@jfedrsq.org or 343-2113 to apply or use this link: www.app.smartselect.com//programs/12189-Jewish-Federation-Of-Sarasota-Manatee. Please contact 752-3030 for more information about CHS.



CAMP GAN ISRAEL

Camp Gan Israel started with a bang this Monday, June 30. Our fabulous counselors from Montreal will be providing the campers with a terrific summer.

Some highlights this summer include waterslides, gymnastic and art fun-shops, trips to Lowry Park Zoo, Bounce Down Under, Mosi and Stardust, Shabbat Parties, Jewish Theme Time, and lots more!

For more info about CGI contact the camp office at 752-3030.

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JEWISH SECRETS TO MEANINGFUL RELATIONSHIPS

- KISLEV**: TWO HALVES, ONE WHOLE: The Cosmic Root of Love. Tuesday, November 25, 2014. 7:30 - 9:00 pm
- TEVET**: BEHIND CLOSED DOORS: Judaism's View of Intimacy. Tuesday, December 20, 2014. 7:30 - 9:00 pm
- SHEVAT**: BELOVED FRIENDS: Synergizing and Sanctifying Love and Desire. Tuesday, January 20, 2015. 7:30 - 9:00 pm
- ADAR**: RESPECTING YOUR OTHER HALF: Navigating Gender Differences. Tuesday, February 17, 2015 | 7:30 - 9:00 pm
- IVAR**: HAPPILY EVER AFTER?: The Challenge of Divorce—and What it Teaches Us About Marriage. Tuesday, May 19, 2015. 7:30 - 9:00 pm
- IVAR**: SACRED SPACE: Defining Marriage's Boundaries. Tuesday, April 21, 2015. 7:30 - 9:00 pm
- NISAN**: BECOMING A BETTER HALF: Jewish Insights into Preserving Marital Harmony. Tuesday, March 24 13, 2015. 7:30 - 9:00 pm

ONGOING PROGRAMS**Talmud Classes**

Mondays, 7:30-8:30 pm

Explore the Talmud and its laws in its original text. No prior knowledge of the Talmud or Hebrew is necessary. Book fee: \$45.

Torah Studies

Saturday, 9:00-9:30 am

Participate in a fascinating class on the Torah portion of the week. Discover the mystical meanings and lessons behind ancient stories. Admission is free.

Weekly Shabbat Services

Friday nights, 7:00, Saturday mornings, 9:30

Enjoy warm, family friendly services at The Chabad House. Saturday services are followed by a delicious buffet Kiddush.

Halacha Class

Saturday, an hour before Shabbat's completion

Join Rabbi Mendy as he teaches various Jewish laws from the Code of Jewish Law. Admission is free.

Havdallah & Shmooze

Saturday, at Shabbat's Conclusion (sundown)

Havdallah followed by a Schmooze including questions on any topic in

For more information on any of the above ongoing events, call Rabbi Mendy Bukiet at 941-752-3030 or e-mail info@chabadofbradenton.com.

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IHO their 50th anniversary

Edward & Evelyn Martineau

IHO Avery's Bar Mitzvah

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

For more information, contact Chabad at 941-752-3030, info@chabadofbradenton.com, or visit www.chabadofbradenton.com.

Camp Gan Israel Monday - Friday, June 30 – July 18: Camp Gan Israel

BURST into Summer with Camp Gan Israel from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm all week long at The Chabad House! Summer break is here and Chabad is preparing a fantastic, exciting time for your children, grandchildren and neighbors, featuring Funshops, swimming, Shabbat parties, specialty activities, waterslides, field trips to Lowry Park Zoo, Stardust, AMF Bowling, Bounce Down Under, MOSI, and MORE!!! Visit www.cgibradenton.org for more info and to register. Extended care available until 5 pm. Hot lunch menu optional.

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Torah & Tea

at the home of Chanie Bukiet, 5718 Lorraine Road
Tuesdays, 11:00 AM