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Chanukah cooking live!

CHANUKAH DINNER AT THE SHUL!

December 19 – 4:30 PM Menorah Lighting, followed by services at 5:00 ull course dinner with hot latkes and donuts - \$10 adults, \$5 children Please rsvp esther@chabadcolumbus.com or pay online HERE



The Miracle We Didn't Deserve
Toys don't play a major role in Jewish tradition. I can only think of two Jewish toys that are used religiously (unless you count iphones). On Chanukah we spin the dreidel, and on Purim we shake the gragger. The dreidel is a spinning top used in a game of chance. The gragger is a noisemaker that serves to heckle the wicked Haman, the enemy of the Jews, every time his name is mentioned in the Purim story. But even toys have deeper meaning in Judaism. The dreidel and the gragger encapsulate the difference between the miracles of Chanukah and Purim.



In the story of Chanukah things were very different. The threat posed by the Hellenists did not inspire mass repentance among the Jews. On the contrary, many Jews of the time welcomed the Syrian-Greek occupation of their land and were happy to assimilate into their culture.

Only a small band of rebels stayed true to their beliefs and fought the foreign invasion. And yet, a miracle occurred for the Jewish people, totally undeserved, not earned, a gift from above, and the Hellenists were routed from the Land of Israel. So Purim is a miracle that was initiated from below, from the people and their spiritual turn around. Chanukah was a miracle that the people had not earned but came completely from above, from G-d.

And so on Chanukah we play with the dreidel, which we spin from on top, symbolizing the divine hand that intervenes from above to spin the wheels of history. On Purim, the miracle we earned from below, we shake the gragger, which is grasped from below.



This is the power of Chanukah, the miracle we didn't deserve. Chanukah is a time where G-d's light can reach the darkest of places, and we can all be blessed, worthy or not. Because sometimes G-d rewards us for the good we have done, and at other times He blesses us for the good we will do. G-d is spinning the dreidel, and on Chanukah we know it will fall in our favor.

Celebrate Chanuka with Chabad Columbus!



JOIN OUR OTHER MENORAH LIGHTINGS for CHANUKAH 2014 Family events featuring: + Sufganiot/Doughnuts + Music & Dancing + Clown + Hot Apple Cider + Dreidels + Raffle & Prizes CHANUKAH DINNER AT THE SHUL! Friday, December 19 - 433 OP Menorah Lighting, followed by services at 5:00 Full course dinner with hot latkes and donuts - \$10 adults, \$5 children

The AAA Sky Terrace has been reserved for the Jewish Community and kosher food options will be available. There will be a special ceremony during the game that will include the lighting of the menor (The game begins at 7:00 pm). Cet more info and buy tickets conline at <u>Bluejackets.com/chanukah</u>

EASTON – SATURDAY EVENING, DEC. 20 – 8:00 PM
At Easton Town Center, at Easton Square Place, in front of Brio Tuscan Grille

TUTTLE - SUNDAY EVENING, DEC 21 - 6:00 PM
At the Mall at Tuttle Crossing in the rest area in front of Macy's



Video Presentation & Entertainment To make reservations, please call (614) 939-0765 or email us at chabadcolumbus@sbcglobal.netÂ You may also RSVP and pay securely online here.

Baby, it's cold outside! But we're cooking up something warm in the kitchen!

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COOKING CAMP

December 29, 30, 31 & Jan. 2 - 9:30 am-12:00 pm r preschoolers ages 3 - 5 Your child will enjoy 4 days of cooking, crafts, stories and songs, filled with lots of fun!





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About The Shabbaton



This year's Shabbaton will G-d willing take place in New York on February 27th- March 1st.

REGISTER

Upcoming classes: SOULMATES Wednesday, January 21 - "Reloyed Friends"

Soulmates Tuesday, Dec. 16, Part 2 of "Behind Closed Doors -Judaism's View of Intimacy"

Is G-d comfortable in the bedroom? Is sexual intimacy holy? Profane? Mundane? Holy, but only as a means to procreation? What does Judaism have to say about sexuality and how to enhance the intimacy between husband and wife? This lesson taps into Judaismäe"s vast reservoir of wisdom, both practical and kabbalistic, on a topic your Hebrew school teacher likely never broached.

Course synopsis by chapters <u>here:</u> Be a part of something special!

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Monday, April 20 - "Sacred Space" Tuesday, May 19 -"Becoming a Better Half"

Cost: \$105 registration for entire year includes textbook; or \$20 per individual class.

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Thursday, February 19 -"Respecting Your Other Half" Thursday, March 19 -"Happily Ever After?"

For info or to register: esther@friendscolumbus.com 614.563.2261

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Candle Lighting Times for v Albany, OH [Based on Zip Co

Shabbat Candle Lighting: Friday, Dec 19 Shabbat Ends: Shabbat, Dec 20 Torah Portion: Mikeitz

Schedule of Services

The Lori Schottenstein Chabad Center offers full schedule of Shabbat services.

Come and be inspired for the rest of the week! For more information, please call us at 614-939-0765.

28 Kislev, 5775 - Sat., Dec. 20, 2014 ning Services: 9:30 a.m

CKids - ages 5-12: 10:45 a.m.

KIDDUSH - 12:00 pm

Torah and Tea*: 10:00 a.m. *this class is now Dedicated in Me

Tot Shabbot for 4 and under: 11:00 a.m.

29 Kislev, 5775 - Sun., Dec. 21, 2014 Shachrit: 9:45 a.m.

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Menorah Lighting - Tuttle

Family event teaturing:

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• Hot Apple Cider • Dreidels • Raffle & Prizes

At the Mall at Tuttle Crossing in the rest area in front of Macy's

Chanukkah at Blue Jackets

CELEBRATE CHANUKAH WITH THE BLUE JACKETS AS THEY TAKE ON THE NASHVILLE PREDATORS! The AAA Sky Terrace has been reserved for the Jewish Community and kosher food options will be available. There will be a special ceremony during the game that will include the lighting of the menorah. (The game begins at 7:00 pm). Get more info and buy tickets online at www.Bluejackets.com/chanukah

Kosher Chinese Dinner \$18 buffet dinner and open seatir \$36 reserved seating

Full menu of Chinese style dishes & de arm, friendly & relaxing ambiance

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Hebrew School - regular class

To make reservations, please call (614) 939-0765 or email us at chabadcolumbus@sbcglobal.net

Classes are from 9:30 am – 12:00 pm (unless indicated otherwise) First Taste classes (ages 3-5) are from 11 am -12 pm

More Info »

Hebrew School hours: 9:30-9:45 parents are invited on a weekly basis to join Rabbi Kaltmann for coffee. Classes are from 9:30 am – 12:00 pm (unless indicate otherwise)

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View all upcoming events

פרשתהשבוע

Parshat Mikeitz

Joseph's imprisonment finally ends when Pharaoh dreams of seven fat cows that are swallowed up by seven lean cows, and of sever fat ears of grain swallowed by seven lean ears. Joseph interprets the dreams to mean that seve years of plenty will be followed by seven years of hunger, and advises Pharaoh to store grain during the plentiful years. Pharaoh appoints Joseph governor of Egypt. Joseph marries Asenath, daughter of Potiphar, and they have two sons, Manasseh and Ephraim. Famine spreads throughout the region, and food can be obtained only in Egypt. Ten of Joseph's brothers come to Egypt to purchase grain, the youngest, Benjamin, stays home, for Jacob fears for his safety. Joseph recognizes his brothers, but hey do not recognize hin; he accuses them of being spies, insists that they bring Benjamin to prove that they are who they say they are, and imprisons Simeon as a hostage. Later, they discover that the money they paid for their provisions has been mysteriously returned to them.

Jacob agrees to send Benjamin only after <u>Judah</u> assumes personal and eternal responsibility for him. This time Joseph receives them kindly, releases Simeon, and invites them to an eventful <u>dinner</u> at his home. But then he plants his <u>silver</u> <u>goblet</u>, purportedly imbued with magic powers, in Benjamin's sack. When the brothers set out for home the next moming, they are pursued, searched, and arrested when the gobilet is discovered. Joseph offers to set them free and retain only Benjamin as his <u>slave</u>.

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parshah
Why did Pharaoh accept
Joseph's dream
interpretations and not
the others'?
When Pharaoh had his two
dreams (Genesis ch. 41), he
wasn't short of interpretations and
meanings...



The Spinner of Our Lives
It seems that every year the
dreidel-makers try to outdo
themselves.



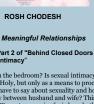
When Haman stood to annihilate the Jewish people, it caused a mass stirring of emotion and spiritual introspection. The Jews knew that such a decree could only be averted if they changed their ways. And so they prayed, fasted, and recommitted themselves to Judaism. This awakening was the catalyst for the miracle that followed, with Haman's downfall and the Jewish victory over their adversaries.



\$15/day, \$50 for all 4 days Run by Chaya Andrusier Tto sign up or request more info, please e-mail <u>camp@egicolumbus.com</u> or call 614-306-2012

CTeen is a social club where teens learn about themselves at their heritage through giving to others and participating in interactive, hands-on activities. With over 125 chapters, in 14 countries, CTeen is the fastest growing network for Jewish teens. The International CTeen Shabbaton is an annual reunion of Jewish teens from across the continent. For the past six years, hundreds of teens have forged new friendships while experiencing a meaningful Shabbat and enjoying the thrills of the Big Apple.

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