

## THANK YOU

FROM RABBI KUSSI & ROSIE

Dear friends.

What an incredible semester it has been! We'd like to thank you from the bottom of our hearts for making it all possible. You have given the Jews at Bama a gift they will take with them forever. The gift of Judaism.



You continue to give the students at Bama a home, meaning, and connection. You ensure that the Jewish students at Bama have a safe place to be Jewish and proud! The courage to publicly practice their faith, a place to eat Matzah on Passover, a home to enjoy Shabbat meals, and opportunities to strengthen their Judaism. You create vibrant Jewish experiences at Bama!

Please enjoy this publication of all you have made possible here at Bama. Your partnership and dedication to the Jewish students are greatly appreciated. We hope you will continue investing in this beautiful task of improving the lives of these students, both physically and spiritually

With all our love and gratitude, Rabbi Kussi and Rosie Lipskier





## Izzy Thanks You

My name is Izzy Spater, and I'm a Junior here at the University of Alabama. I'm from Sharon, Massachusetts. Being from a town where Judaic culture was prevalent, I was nervous about moving so far from home and losing that sense of religious connection. That was until I found the Chabad Jewish Student Organization on campus.

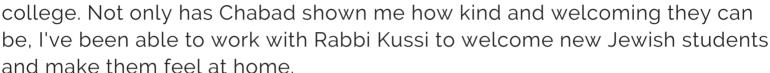
When I first met Rabbi Kussi and Rosie, they welcomed me with open arms. It was a relief that I had found my home away from home.

I have spent almost every Shabbat and holiday with the Lipskiers alongside some of the fantastic friends I have made from around the country. Chabad has truly impacted my college experience regarding religion, friends, and a sense of comfort.

### YOU STRENGTHEN MY JUDAISM

Chabad has been a very impactful place for me at college. When I first entered college, I was unsure how to continue my involvement in the Jewish community. After only one semester, I knew Chabad was the place for me!

I decided to join the Chabad student board, which was one of the best decisions I've made so far at









You give me a place to explore my Jewish identity

Because of you, I can take a leading role in Jewish life at Bama

Chabad is more than just a place to pray; it is my second home. I always feel welcome and loved as soon as I enter through the front door. I have made countless Jewish friends through Chabad, and I'm excited to continue my involvement in the coming semesters.

#### - Mason Berger



# Why I Give

Proud Bama Jewish alumni share why they give back

Chabad at Alabama helped me find my Jewish family away from home. A home-prepared meal with thoughtful dinner-time discussion on a Friday night after a stressful week was a great way to decompress and just enjoy spending time with friends without letting outside

distractions get in the way. The Sinai Scholars program taught me how to find a child-like spirituality that I had lost through a science and technology-driven education.

Most importantly, Chabad showed me how to be a proud Jew. Chabad helped me find the courage to wear my Star of David that was gifted to me at my bar Mitzvah. The necklace



hangs down so that the star, and everything it represents, remains close to my heart. Chabad played such a huge role in my college and Jewish journey that I continue to support the Jewish community at Alabama so that future students can have a Jewish home away from home.

- Ethan Sobel

#### THANK YOU FOR THE WARM HOME YOU GIVE.







#### YOUR GIFT

YOUR GIFT HAS BROUGHT ME THE FEELING OF HOME, WHEN I CAN'T GO HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS, CHABAD IS ALWAYS THERE FOR ME

- ARIEL GOLNICK

#### **TOUCHES LIVES**

...WHETHER IT BE LEARNING
ABOUT MY JEWISH HERITAGE OR
LEARNING HOW TO BRAID
CHALLAH, THERE IS ALWAYS
SOMETHING NEW TO
EXPERIENCE.

- CARLY MANDEL

#### & CHANGES WORLDS

CHABAD AT SCHOOL WAS ONE OF MY FAVORITE PARTS OF COLLEGE. THEY ARE A GUIDING LIGHT IMPACTING THE ENTIRE IEWISH COMMUNITY AT BAMA

- SETH COHEN



#### YES! The Bama Jews can count on me!

- I will Co-Sponsor Shabbat \$500
- I will Sponsor the ENTIRE Shabbat \$1,000
- I will Sponsor a Rosh Hashanah dinner \$5,000
- \$ \_\_\_\_ Other (Everything is appreciated.)



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