



UMD CHABAD

FALL SEMESTER 2019

OVERVIEW

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Please enjoy an 'Insta' story of our Fall 2019 semester!

These are taken off the UMD Chabad Instagram account and walk you through most of the events and other activities we have been busy with so far this semester! Feel free to give us a follow to keep up with all that is going on around here!

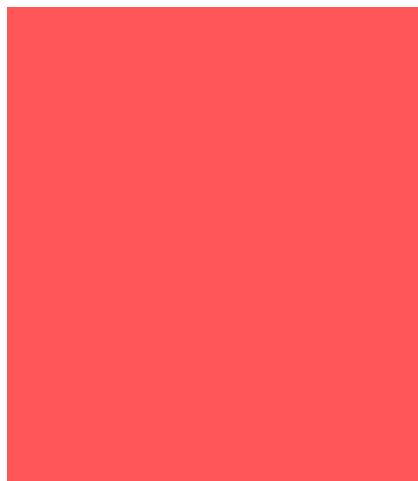
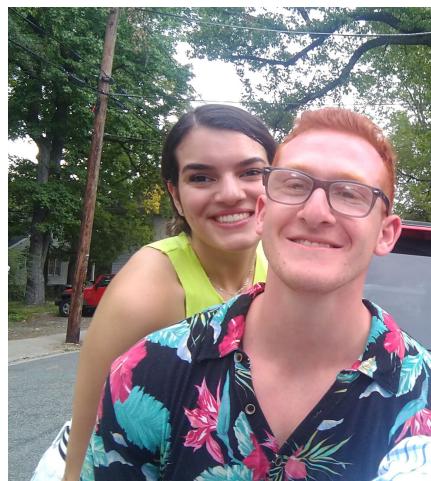
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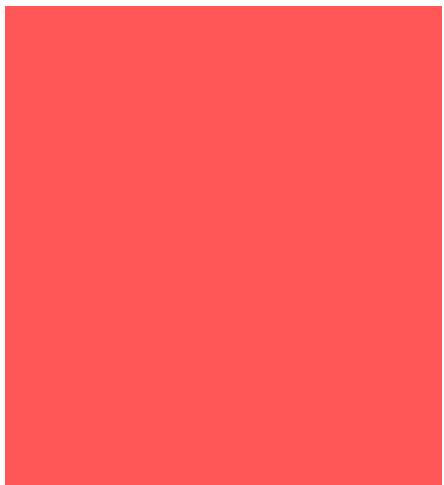
Rabbi Eli and Nechama Backman & family

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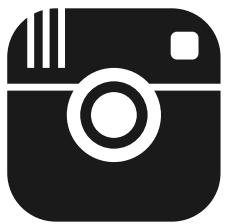
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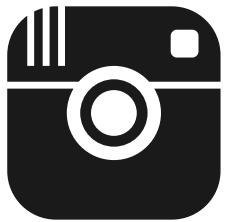
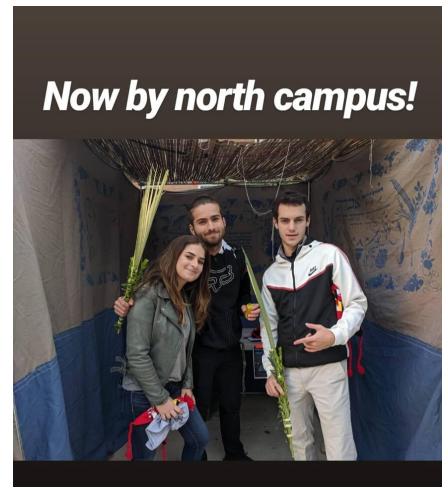
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dannygross'19 Chabad is a place where every Jew is welcome and can feel at home



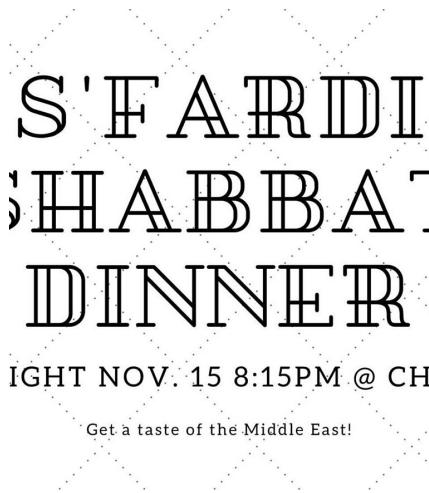
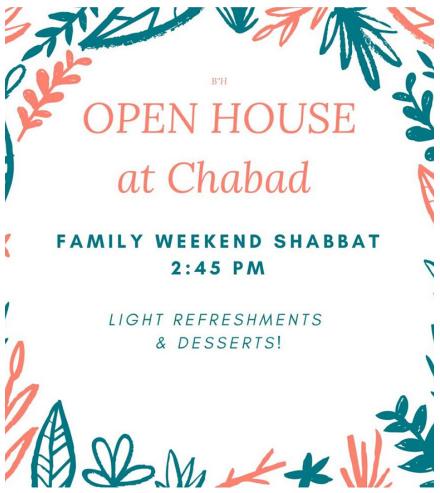
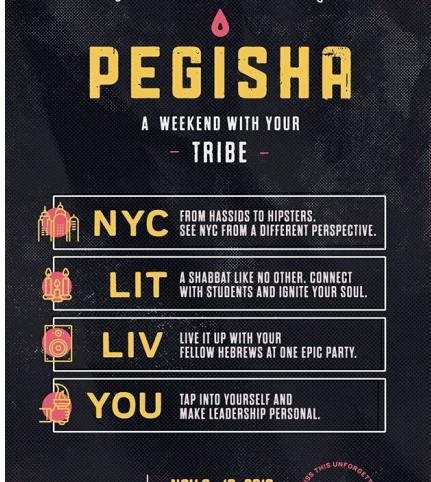
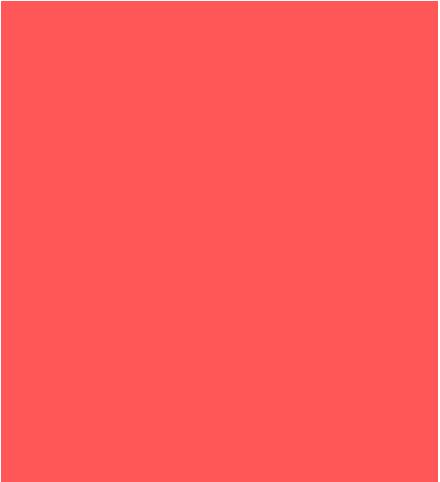
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yoninakeschner'20 To me, Chabad means an open door that accepts everyone. They establish a warm environment in our home away from home



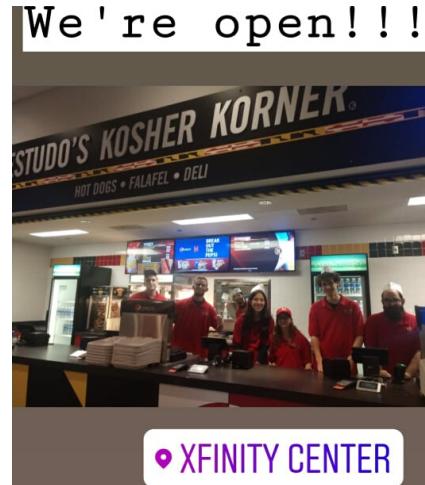
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austinbierman'20 Chabad is a place i know that i am always welcomed and wanted no matter what



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nadivpanitch'21 Chabad is a friendly and warm environment. It is an incredible outlet to express my Judaism and always feels like a home away from home



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elianablock'17 No amount of money can repay what the Backman's mean to the UMD students and what Chabad means to the world

A UMD Chabad story and closer look at the month of Tishrai and its special holidays!

Sunday, Nov.3, 2019

“Mazal tov!” The dancing begins and it’s a wonderful moment for the new couple and everyone attending.

I was at a traditional Jewish wedding with all the bells and whistles. The dancing was joyous and lively. It was a beautiful sight like few others. It was even more special to me, because it was the wedding of an alum, Eric Golman.

Sitting at the wedding, I got to catch up with another alum, Aaron Wallach. He reminded me that Eric’s connection to the community started with Chabad’s annual Simchat Torah dancing around campus.

“Rabbi, from one night of dancing came this!” he said as he pointed around the wedding hall!

In the words of the groom, Eric, interviewed in Washington Jewish Week 8/20/14:

“The way that, our COO (of Javazen,) Aaron Wallach, and I met sums up our relationship today. My first impression of him was in my apartment while he was drinking a blend of freshly squeezed juice, several superfood powders and a few splashes of rum. He was on his way to join the celebration of Simchat Torah on campus outside of my apartment. After he found out that I was Jewish, he refused to let me stay inside. This was one of the first times that I became involved with the Jewish community on campus at UMD.”

Imagine for a minute:

650+ students dancing around campus with full UMD Police escort! The singing becomes louder and the crowd grows larger at each stop we make along the route. Finally, we reach Chabad, after midnight, where there is a hot Smorgasbord of food waiting for us! The dancing, eating, socializing, and celebrating continues till the morning.

This is Simchat Torah at UMD!

Today’s wedding was just one outcome of that night’s dancing!

Who knows how many other Jewish students find their connection, in those joyous circles?!

See here <http://umdmitzpeh.com/2019/10/25/students-dance-around-campus-to-celebrate-simchat-torah/>

Simchat Torah is just one night in a month full of exciting holidays!

Throughout this month here at Chabad we had:

- 300 Rosh Hashana packages personally delivered to students
- Hundreds and Hundreds of students who joined us for holiday (RH/ Sukkot) and Shabbat meals!
- 450 students who shook lulav and etrog. (at least!)
- 5 different sukkot put up throughout campus, near dorms, Greek Houses and more!
- 50 (and counting) mezuzot put up in dorms and apartments

As well as -

- Rosh Hashana inspired Challah Baking
- Rosh Hashanah meals and shofar blowings all around campus
- Our annual community wide Oneg (singing and desserts) in the Sukkah
- Sukkah Mobile all throughout campus
- A Joint ‘Pink’ Challah Bake with AEPHI, Sharsheret, and Chabad
- Weekly Kosher BLTs (Bagels, Lox & Teffilin) at Greek houses
- Weekly Sinai Scholars, Parsha, Tanya and other classes
- Support always and whenever needed

We've been busy!

Please enjoy more pictures of many of these events on ~ and Like ~ our FB page

www.facebook.com/umdchabad

*And this was only a look at **some** of the Fall semester!*

The semester isn't over and neither are our programs!

We have more planned and are already planning for next semester.

We hope to make Spring Semester 2020 just as great and even better!

Thank you for being a part of UMD Chabad!