Bar Mitzvah

גל שניידר Joey Gaal Schneider



Saturday - January 9, 2010 Kislev 18, 5770 Shabbat Shmot Chabad Lubavitch of Sarasota, Florida



Dear Family and Friends,

We are very pleased and happy that you could all be with us today and share our simcha, the Bar- Mitzvah of our son, Gaal - Joey.

We extend a warm welcome and thanks to our family and friends who have made a long trip from Israel and California and honor us with their presence in this special event.

We are very proud of the accomplishments that Gaal has achieved so far, and the naches he brings his family and those who surround him. Gaal will be reading the Maftir of the Torah portion "Shemot" as well as the Haftorah, on which he worked so hard.

Special thanks to Rabbi Steinmetz for preparing him for this meaningful day of his life.

Tali & Sam Schneider

Historical Background About Chabad of Sarasota & Manatee

Chabad is the world's largest Jewish educational outreach program. Our success is based on the fact that Chabad is not a particular brand of Judaism. It's an outlook. We believe in the importance of the individual and the significance of every single deed. Indeed, Chabad pioneered the concept that the Torah must be accessible to men and women at every social, economic and educational level. Once centered in the Russian town of Lubavitch, translated as "the city of brotherly love", Chabad now serves the needs of millions at more than 3,000 centers worldwide.

Our philosophy remains surprisingly simple: Love every Jew, Educate every Jew and reach out to every Jew. We open our arms and our hearts to all, regardless of education or background. That's a commitment we have honored throughout the greater Sarasota and Manatee area since November 1990, when the Lubavitcher Rebbe, Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson sent Rabbi Chaim & Sara Steinmetz as his emissaries to Sarasota. We continually seek new ways to interest Jews in Judaism. You won't find us talking about concepts, we bring them to life. We personally welcome you to join us at any of our stimulating Torah classes, Synagogue Services, and year round family activities.

Saturday Morning service & Honors

Greeters Roy Schneider & Roni Klein
Ark opening Barry Schneider, Grandfather
Ark closing Arieh Aizenberg, Friend
Carry Torah Yaron Divald, Friend
Torah reading Rabbi Chaim Steinmitz

First Alia Cohen

Second Alia Levi Avraham Kvodi, Grandfather
Third Alia Samuel Schneider, Father

Fourth Alia Gabi Klein, Friend
Fifth Alia Yossi Kvodi, Uncle
Sixth Alia Kobbi Achiam, Friend
Seventh Alia Dr. Howard Fuchs, Friend

Maftir Joey Gaal Schneider, Bar-Mitzvah

Hgbaha Allen Feins, Friend

Dressing the Torah Joshua Weinstein, Friend

Haftorah Joey Gaal Schneider, Bar-Mitzvah

Carry the Torah Billy Adelman, Cousin
Ark opening Guy Porat, Friend
Ark closing Dr. Fred Tow, Friend
Charge to Bar Mitzvah Rabbi Chaim Steinmitz

Remarks Joey Gaal Schneider, Bar-Mitzvah
Remarks Sam and Tali Schneider, Parents

Remarks Roy Schneider, Brother
Presentation Dr. Barry Stein, President
Kiddush Avraham Kvodi, Grandfather
Hamitzie Roy Schneider, Brother

Oneg sponsored by Sam and Tali Schneider



Hebrew Terms Used in the Synagogue

Aliyah "Ascent" As used in the synagogue, it refers to being called up to the bimah to recite the blessings of the Torah.

Amen "It is true" Also an acronym for El Melech Neeman, "G-d is a faithful King." It is the response recited after a blessing, and indicates belief in the words of the blessing.

Aron Kodesh "Holy Ark" Always located at the front of the synagogue, facing Jerusalem, it houses the Torah scrolls.

Bimah "Platform" The platform in the synagogue from which the Torah scroll is read.

Chazan "Cantor" One who leads the congregation in prayer.

Haftorah "to complete" The section of the Prophets, publicly read, that corresponds with the Bible portion.

Kaddish "Sanctification" An ancient prayer, mostly in Aramaic, sanctifying G-d's Name. Of the several types of Kaddish, one is recited by mourners as a benefit for the soul of the departed.

Maftir Literally, "conclusion" The person who receives the concluding Aliyah of the Torah reading, and who afterwards reads the Haftorah.

Tallit "Garment" used in the synagogue. It refers to the prayer shawl worn by men during the prayer service.

Torah it's the most important holy object in the synagogue and is found in the ark. The Torah scroll contains the first five books in the bible (Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, Deuteronomy). The Torah scroll in the ark is handwritten on parchment, (animal skins which have been specially-prepared.) A sofer (scribe) uses quill pens and ink in writing the Torah Scroll.