



## Welcome Back, Readers!

Seeing the first issue of the *Bloomington Jewish Student* of the second semester is a joy, as it is now under new leadership. The transfer to a committee of students who want to continue my vision of a periodical publication serving the needs of the IU Jewish community is comforting. Dismal attendance at interest meetings in the fall made me question the paper's continuing. However, the current committee running the *BJS* seems quite capable of not only sustaining the paper, but also of expanding it. The paper, though first started last semester, came out of my seeing the need for such an organ.

When I returned to campus as a junior in the fall of 2002, I wanted to know which activities were going on Jewishly,

particularly at Hillel and the Chabad House. If I, who knew how to get involved, had to make an effort to find out what was going on, what would people who were not as involved Jewishly on campus do? Also, I thought it would be a great idea to follow-up on programs so people would know not just which programs were upcoming, but how programming has been going for different organizations. It was not until the end of the spring that I struck up a conversation with Josh Hamerman, who I knew to be a journalism major, at the Chabad House about running a Jewish campus paper. He thought it was good idea and agreed to work on it with me.

We came out with some issues in the fall of this year, coming out about every week, starting with the first issue at Hillel's opening barbeque until the

High Holidays, and then running every other week. Special gratitude is due the Hillel who allowed us to copy all of our issues and to let them sit on their tables.

It is my hope that the *Bloomington Jewish Student* will continue to endure and to strengthen itself and that the Jewish student population at IU will gain more interest in this paper.

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## Candle-Lighting Times

Date	Time
Friday, February 6, 2004 Shabbat, February 7, 2004	Light Candles: <b>5:54 PM</b> Shabbat Ends: <b>6:54 PM</b>
Friday, February 13, 2004 Shabbat, February 14, 2004	Light Candles: <b>6:02 PM</b> Shabbat Ends: <b>7:02 PM</b>
Friday, February 20, 2004 Shabbat, February 21, 2004	Light Candles: <b>6:10 PM</b> Shabbat Ends: <b>7:09 PM</b>
Friday, February 27, 2004 Shabbat, February 28, 2004	Light Candles: <b>6:18 PM</b> Shabbat Ends: <b>7:17 PM</b>

