

**KAJ NEWSLETTER**

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Our תפילות and thoughts continue to be focused on אהינו בארץ ישראל who, after the murders of well over twelve hundred lives, significant numbers of losses of life in battle, along with the ongoing holding of innocent hostages, continue to face a war of survival amidst a dangerous and uncertain situation. We join all of כלל ישראל in reaching out to הקב"ה and beseeching Him to provide the ישועות ונצחון so badly needed, including the safe release of all hostages, and to allow peace to reign in ארצנו הקדושה.

ANNUAL DINNER

The Kehilla and Yeshiva are very much looking forward to the upcoming 74th Annual Dinner, to take place on Sunday, February 18th, at the Woodcliff Lake Hilton. We anticipate everyone's participation to make this annual event—the main fundraiser for our Yeshiva—an outstanding success.

Please do your part, and solicit and contribute ads as soon as possible. Ad kits will be shortly arriving in the mail. Ads may also be submitted online at www.yrsrhndinner.org. To purchase your tickets for the car raffle, visit www.yrsrh.org

SHABBOS CHIZUK

The Kehilla enjoyed a special, winter "Shabbos Chizuk" on Shabbos Parashas Voeiro. An Oneg Shabbos on Friday night in Dr. Moller Hall was the first of the Shabbos' enjoyable events, as attendees heard from both Rav Mantel and the Shabbos Chizuk's special guest, Rav Eliezer Simcha Lief, Rosh Yeshiva of Yeshiva Gedola of South Monsey, and enjoyed light refreshments.

The next morning, a sit-down Kidush was held in Dr. Moller Hall after Shul. Attendees again heard Torah thoughts from Rav Mantel and Rav Lief. Lechem Mishna rolls were available, allowing those who chose to do so, to make their meal at home their Seudo Shelishis.

Rounding out the Shabbos, Rav Lieff delivered a shiur be'iyun in Shul after Mincho. The shiur related to a topic from Daf Yomi as well as to the Mitzvah in the Minchas Chinuch which Rav Mantel's Tuesday evening Shiur is currently learning.

On Motzoei Shabbos, the fathers and boys at Avos uVonim were fortunate to hear from Rav Lieff, as well.



All those who participated in this special Shabbos were left inspired and blessed with new insight.

RAV MATISYOHU SALOMON זצ"ל

The Kehilla joins the wider Jewish world in mourning the passing of Rav Matisyohu Salomon, Mashgiach Ruchani of Beth Medrash Govoha of Lakewood, who was niftar on January 3rd/ 22 Teives. Rav Salomon and Rav Gelley—pictured below at an event in Moller Hall in an undated photo—were good friends from their years together in England.



Photo credit—Mr. Manny Meyer z.l.

Pictured following, Rav Mantel was maspid Rav Salomon at JFK airport on Wednesday, before the meis was flown to Eretz Yisroel for kevura.



SPECIAL SHIURIM

The Shiur on January 1st—presented by Rabbi Levi Yosef Bechhofer—was on the topic of the Melocho of Kesiva (writing) on Shabbos. The shiur was sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Samson R. Bechhofer.



Rabbi Bechhofer discussed various modern-day questions involving potentially writing-like activities such as using the new foldable Sorry gameboard; forming a message with Scrabble pieces, and the differences between the Scrabble and Deluxe Scrabble gameboards and pieces; creating words (such as “mazel tov”) at a Kiddush with cupcakes each iced with a letter—and then taking one of those cupcakes; forming letters by means of a formation of people standing together; the word “ambulance” written across the double back doors of an ambulance, as opposed to the words “keep back” as separate words, each on one of the doors; opening a box with writing on the flaps; and zipping up a “GAP” sweatshirt.

The shiur provoked many lively discussions, and, among the many relevant halachic points explored, Rabbi Bechhofer focused on the difference between kiruv verichuk (bringing letters close together/separating them) as opposed to the act of actually writing.



אבות ובנים

The winter season of Avos uVonim has been a continued success. Pictured—Motzoei Shabbos Parashas Vayechi, with that particular week featuring participants from as far away as Philadelphia! Many thanks to Mr. Albert Blank for his ongoing work in securing sponsorships and generally organizing this most-appreciated weekly program. Times are listed on the weekly GSEM, and all boys are most welcome.



Leiser's first Yahrzeit is approaching in Adar, and we would like to create an Azkarah in his memory and present it to his family.

Please send any stories, memories, and pictures you may have to Mrs. Bracha (Goldenebrg) Cohen, RBTS alumna, at rabbileisermemories@gmail.com

ERRATA

This photo of an Adar long ago featured in the last issue of the *KAJN* was incorrectly estimated as being from the mid-nineties. The students pictured are, in actuality, the (then-future) high school graduating class of 2016, dating the picture to the very early 2000s. (**Now** do you recognize anyone? So far, seven proud YRSRH graduates have been identified, some of whom are now parents themselves, ב"ה. The dinosaur, however, remains somewhat of a mystery.)



SISTERHOOD TU BESHVAT EVENT

By Chava Gordimer

In honor of Tu BeShvat, the Sisterhood of KAJ organized a unique event which included divrei Torah, a craft project, refreshments, the opportunity for socializing, and raffles. Mrs. Sarah Herbsman was the enthusiastic emcee of the evening and shared her trademark warmth and passion with those in attendance. She led the women in Tehillim and then introduced Ms. Chava Torand to share some words of Torah and chizuk.

Ms. Torand explained how it may seem unusual to celebrate Tu BeShvat in the winter, while the trees are bare and there is no plant growth in sight. However, beneath the surface, there is abundant action taking

place. Sap is flowing and much is taking place underground in preparation for spring. She said the same holds true for life. While moments in life may seem dark and lacking movement, Hashem is actively involved behind the scenes orchestrating a brighter future. Ms. Torand was then presented with a beautiful, framed picture by her friends to thank her for her friendship and contribution to the Washington Heights community. Those in attendance shared the sentiment that Ms. Torand will always be a part of our Kehilla regardless of where she lives.



The craft project was then introduced, and attendees learned how to create terrariums, using colored salts, rocks, and plants. The end products were beautiful, relaxing, and peaceful to look at. A wonderful time was had by all. A special thank you to the anonymous sponsors of many of the craft supplies. Another special thank you to Ms. Simi Torand for her tremendous help in facilitating and photographing the event and being her mother's capable assistant. The Sisterhood of KAJ takes this opportunity to wish Ms. Torand much hatzlacha in her new home. We hope that she will come back and visit soon.





The next Sisterhood event will be an Oneg Shabbos on February 9th (Parashas Mishpotim). Details will be forthcoming.

NEWS FROM MORIAH SENIOR CENTER

Online safety is always a high priority at Moriah Senior Center, particularly because seniors are a frequent target of scams and phishing schemes. Award-winning wunderkind, Jordan Mittler, addressed our members and laid out in simple to understand language things to watch out for and ways to protect oneself online.

Amy Anthony from Aromatica NYC returned to our Center after a years-long hiatus and hosted a presentation titled *Aromatherapy – Forest Bathing*, in which she discussed various oils and scents that connect people through body, mind, and spirit to nature and that can be beneficial for overall health. At the conclusion of the program, each participant received a natural oil-based roll-on to take home and experiment with.

Inclement weather did not deter our hardy group from venturing out to the New York Botanical Garden this month, to catch a glimpse of the annual Holiday Train Show. Our group was given a fascinating insight into how these intricate dioramas are created, with a foam core base overlaid with only organic materials consisting of acorns, seed pods, tree bark and the like. The end result is an amazingly intricate reproduction of famous New York City landmarks, with motorized trains chugging along to complete the effect.



Of course, our now-regular activities including Pilates, Movement/Exercise, Yoga, Chair Massage, Cooking/Nutrition, Law & Order (courtroom re-enactments), Music Mondays, and Book Club continue on a steady basis.

Upcoming events include a Tech Topic class about “Social Media Basics”, a vital presentation on The ABC’s of Mental Health, an Aromatherapy Workshop featuring “Stress Reduction and Heart Centering”, a special Fruit Parfait workshop in honor of Tu Bshvat, a patriotic themed Brass Band concert on Presidents Day and a special Leap Day musical performance.

To keep updated on these programs and all our exciting upcoming activities, we would like to encourage everyone to join our email list. This can be accomplished by sending an email request to moriahcenter@gmail.com

As always, Moriah continues to be available to help with benefits, entitlements, renewals, insurance, and other issues. If you are 60+ and currently not registered as a client with the Center, take this opportunity to join our programming and see if we might be a good fit for you. Moriah is also always looking for new volunteers to join our team. Contact the office for more information!

SHIURIM NOTICES

Legal Holiday Shiur

The shiur will take place at 9:45 AM, in conjunction with the Kollel, in Dombrow Beis Medrash. Sponsorship for refreshments is welcomed—please contact Mr. Ben Ettlinger.

Monday, February 19 Rabbi Nosson Lowenthal

Friday Night Mikro Lectures

The lectures are given in Shul after Friday night davening.

Bo	Rabbi Elchonon Stern
Beshalach	Rabbi Shimon Margaliot
Yisro	Mr. Samson Bechhofer
Mishpatim	Mr. Victor Sussman
Terumo	Rabbi Kalman Strauss

Sunday Night Mishno Beruro Shiur

Rav Mantel's Sunday evening Shiur in Mishno Beruro takes place in Shul after Mincha-Maariv.

The Shiur will resume Sunday evening, February 25th, after both the Chevra Taanis and Seudo (Feb. 11th) and the Annual Dinner (Feb. 18th).

Tuesday Night Minchas Chinuch Shiur

Rav Mantel's Tuesday evening Minchas Chinuch Shiur takes place in Shul after the 8:00 PM Maariv.

The Shiur will resume on Tuesday, February 6th.

Thursday Night Chumash Shiur

The shiurim are presented via Zoom, at 8:30 PM, with the link to join each week provided below.

Please note that the shiur on Thursday evening, January 25th, will take place at 8:45 PM.

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85134317093?pwd=nKJsvxF56dN6yDjPhHubTf3XNikkYE.I>

Meeting ID: 851 3431 7093

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Please check the weekly GSEM for any changes, and for speakers.

Tuesday Morning Ladies נ"ך Shiur

Rebbetzin Mantel's Tuesday Morning Shiur takes place at 10:15 AM, in the front room of the Executive Office of YRSRH (100 Bennett's office door). The Shiur is learning the weekly Haftoros.

The Shiur will resume on Tuesday, February 13th.

Sisterhood פרשת השבוע Shiurim

The Shiurim take place on Shabbos afternoons in the Sonn Beis Medrash (beneath Shul). The shiurim take place ***an hour before KAJ Mincho.***

January 20	Bo	Mrs. Sarah Herbsman
January 27	Beshalach	Miss Shayna Weinberg-Gordon
February 3	Yisro	Miss Leiba Winter
February 10	Mishpotim	Miss Aliza Sklar
February 17	Terumo	Miss Lisa Hecker
February 24	Tetzaveh	Dr. Chaya Rapp
March 2	Ki-Siso	Dr. Paul Breuer
March 9	Vayakhel	Rabbi Avrohom Hoffman
March 16	Pekudei	Miss Rochel Alpert

SOCIAL REGISTER

Mazel Tov to **Mr. and Mrs. Alan Ettlinger** and **Mr. and Mrs. Zvi Felder** on the birth of a great-grandson and grandson. The delighted parents are **Mr. and Mrs. Menachem Katz**. Best wishes to the grandparents, **Mr. and Mrs. Shui Katz**, and the great-grandparents, **Mr. and Mrs. Yossi Felder** and **Rabbi and Mrs. Yisroel Meir Zacks**.

Heartiest Mazel Tov to **Yehoshua and Shira Cahn** on the birth of a daughter. Best wishes to the grandparents, **Mr. and Mrs. Avram Cahn** and **Mr. and Mrs. Pinchos Goldsmith**, and the great-grandparents, **Hon. and Mrs. Herman Cahn** and **Mrs. Agnes Goldsmith**.

Our best wishes to **Rabbi and Mrs. Ronald Levy** on the bar mitzvah of their grandson, **Ezzy Levy** (ויגש), son of **Rabbi and Mrs. Shlomo and Batsheva Levy**. Mazel Tov as well to the other grandparents, **Rabbi and Mrs. Shaul and Esther Arielli**.

We are very pleased to extend Mazel Tov wishes to **Mr. and Mrs. Norbert and Dorothy Strauss** and **Mr. and Mrs. Sam and Leah Levi** on the birth of a great-great-grandson and great-grandson. The delighted parents are **Mr. and Mrs. Elimelekh and Yael Perl**. Mazel Tov to the grandparents, **Rabbi and Mrs. Ari and Meira Perl** and **Rabbi and Mrs. Binyamin and Faith Blau** of Beachwood, Ohio. Best wishes to the great-grandparents, **Rabbi and Dr. Yosef and Rivkah Blau** and **Mr. and Mrs. Harold and Esther Perl**.

Best Mazel Tov wishes to **Mr. and Mrs. Naftoli Lehmann** on the birth of a son to **Shimmy and Dina Goldberg**.

Heartiest Mazel Tov wishes to **Eliyahu and Deena Levi**, **Edwin and Ruth Levi**, and **Moishe and Kelda Spreiregen** on the birth of a grandson and great-grandson. Best wishes to the happy parents, **Dovid and Esty Levi**, and the grandparents, **Simcha and Chani Retter**.

Our very best wishes to **Mr. and Mrs. Avi Tannenbaum** on the birth of a granddaughter. The delighted parents are **Rabbi and Mrs. Yaakov Boruch Beren** of Baltimore.

We are delighted to wish **Mrs. Necha Wolfe** heartiest Mazel Tov on the birth of a granddaughter. The delighted parents are **Mr. and Mrs. Binyomin Wolfe**.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Whenever Maariv is recited before nightfall, as it is in Shul on Friday evenings and the first Maariv on weekdays, one is obligated to repeat the three Parashiyos of Shema after night.
- **Mincha Gedola** in Shul Sunday through Thursday: **1:30 PM** through March 7, 2024.
- The link to **help support families devastated by war in Eretz Yisrael** is <https://www.charidy.com/agudahrelief/KAJ> (For checks, please make payable to Agudath Israel of America, Memo: Relief Fund, and mail to Agudath Israel of America, 42 Broadway, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10004.)

זמני טלית ותפילין

DATE	1 st Minyan	זמן טלית ותפילין	Remarks
Wednesday January 24	6:09	6:16	
Thursday January 25	6:09	6:16	
Friday January 26	6:08	6:15	
Monday January 29	6:06	6:13	
Tuesday January 30	6:05	6:12	
Wednesday January 31	6:04	6:11	
Thursday February 1	6:03	6:10	
Friday February 2	6:03	6:10	
Monday February 5	6:00	6:07	
Tuesday February 6	6:00	6:06	

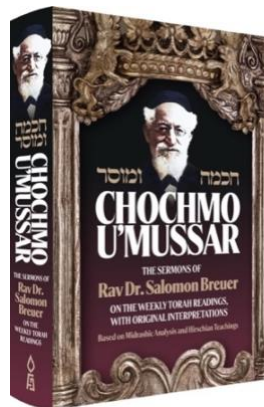
Wednesday February 7	6:00	6:05	
Thursday February 8	6:00	6:04	
Friday February 9	5:56	6:03	ראש חודש First Minyan Sonn Room
Monday February 12	6:00	5:59	
Tuesday February 13	6:00	5:58	

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sunday, February 11th—**Chevra Kadisha Taanis**, followed by Seudo.
- Sunday, February 18th—**Annual Dinner** of K'hal Adath Jeshurun and Yeshiva Rabbi Samson Raphael Hirsch.
- The baking of hand Matzos will take place on Sunday, February 25th, exact time and details to be announced.

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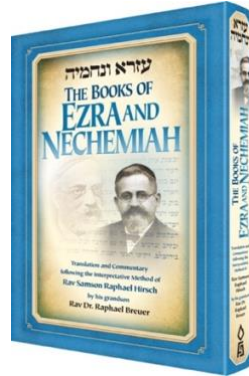


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SHIURIM**

SHAATNEZ

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