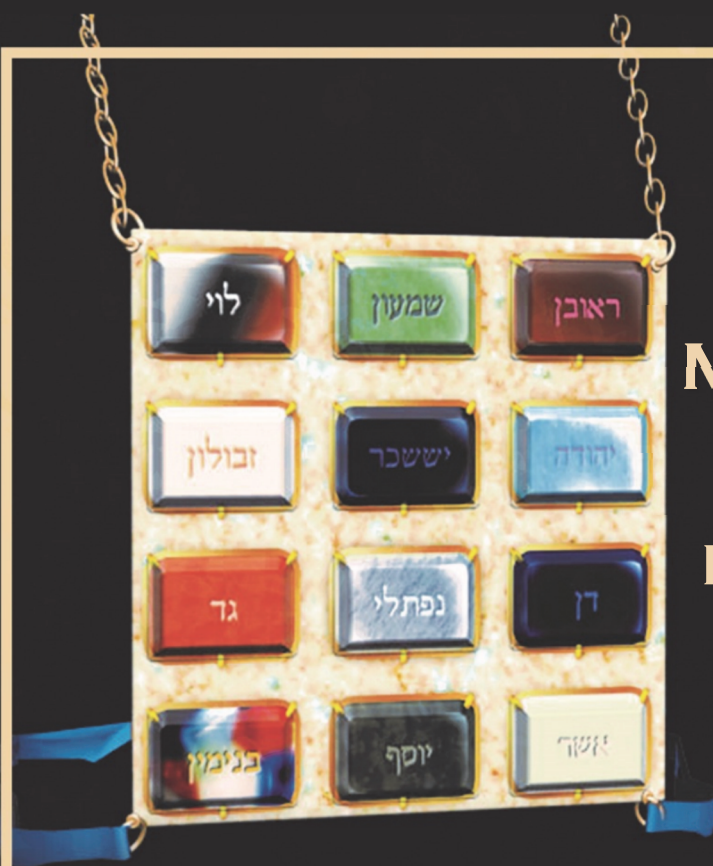


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Welcome to the Ahavas Shalom Annual Melaveh Malkah for 5779

This year, we are delighted to honor

Mr. Peretz Katz



On the cover: Last year we had a British phone booth. We've had water, beer and even the front door to the shul. This year the connection to the honoree should be very easy to spot.

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The Alan Lindsey Interview

With
Peretz Katz

Alan Lindsey: Peretz, tell me about your early years.

Peretz Katz: I was born on 28 October 1970 in Johannesburg, South Africa. I went to primary and secondary public schools and then to University, all in Johannesburg, graduating with a law degree in 1993.



AL: How did your yiddishkeit develop?

PK: My family belonged to a Modern Orthodox shul, Waverley. Like most Jewish boys of that time, I attended shul on Shabbos for approximately one year before my Bar Mitzvah, and like most boys, my shul attendance petered out fairly soon after. At university I became involved with Ohr Somayach which led to my growth in Torah Judaism.

AL: And after university?

PK: In 1996, after completing my law degree I came to Israel to learn at Shappel's/Darche Noam. This was a pivotal year. It strengthened my Torah observance and inculcated a love for learning. Shappel's gave me the tools for learning which I have continued developing.

AL: What happened after your year in yeshiva?

PK: I emigrated to Australia with the rest of my family. Many South Africans were leaving South Africa at that time as a result of the political upheaval and Australia was a favoured destination. I continued to work as a lawyer (first in Melbourne and later in Perth). I studied for a Masters degree in tax and took up employment with Deloitte as a tax lawyer.

AL: How did you meet Shelley? Didn't she live in South Africa?

PK: During a visit to Johannesburg I was introduced to Shelley and we married in 1999 in Jerusalem. I should mention that punctuality is not one of my strong points - I was late for our first date and all subsequent dates so no-one should be surprised when I come late for *dovening*!! Despite never having been in Australia, Shelley agreed to live there.

AL: Tell me about those early years.

PK: We lived first in Melbourne (where I davened and learned part-time in the Lakewood Kollel) and then in Perth. During these six years we had two children, Gavi and Ashi who

were 4 and 2 respectively when we made Aliya in 2005.

AL: What made you make Aliya?

PK: Shelley and I weren't overly happy with the *Yiddishkeit* in Australia. Once we decided to move, Israel was the only real option. We wanted to maximise our growth and improve our children's *chinuch*.

AL: Tell me more about your children.

PK: Gavi our eldest, now 17, is learning at Ma'arava, a Yeshiva Tichuni where he dorms. Ashi is 15 and studying in Jerusalem at YTA. Akiva and Sarit were both born in Israel. Akiva is now 12 and goes to Magen Avot. Sarit, age 10, attends Bnot Malcha. We have taken the children to visit their extended family in South Africa, Australia and even England, and while they always have great fun, I am delighted that they are happiest here in Israel – B'H!

AL: So what happened to your employment with Deloitte when you made Aliya?

PK: To simplify our Aliya, I tried to transfer to the Tel Aviv office of Deloitte. But a bit of *hashgacho pratis* intervened. It led to my joining a property investment and asset management group based in Tel Aviv. My property career began here and it's what I have been doing for the last 13 years. We invest in income producing commercial property located in Germany, mainly on behalf of South African institutions and family offices. Stability and growth is what attracts clients. Regular travel to Germany and to a lesser extent England and South Africa is now part of my lifestyle. I think the Duty Free Whiskey shop and the kiddush club benefit most from my trips!

AL: What has Aliya meant to you all?

PK: TG, Shelley and I are very happy in Israel. We love the people, the connection to our history, the rich Jewish lifestyle and most importantly the fact that we can live a Torah lifestyle like nowhere else. Israel's economic and social achievements are extraordinary and it's a real privilege to be living and contributing to the "Israel story" every day.

AL: Why did you choose RBS?

PK: In 2005, RBS was starting to take off and was developing as an ideal place for the young, Anglo, *frum* community. I knew several friends from school days and Shappel's already living here so it sounded like a soft landing. Seems we have been landing for 13 years and we're still here!

AL: How did you come to choose Ahavas Shalom?

PK: We first lived on Nachal Lachish, so Ahavas Shalom was the closest shul and its proximity a plus,



R' Peretz writing a letter in the Shul's Sefer Torah in 2012

but the Rav was the main driver. I like to think I belong to the wider RBS community. So I also daven at other shuls including Beis Tefila, KSY, and Rabbi David's kehilla. But Ahavas Shalom has always been and remains my principal shul and place of learning.

AL: What do you like about Ahavas Shalom?

PK: Ahavas Shalom consists of diverse *mispallilim* - whether in age, *hashgafa*, *background* or culture. Yet somehow it works well. Everyone wants to grow in *ruchnias*, enthusiasm for learning, plus the vaad and the Rav who keeps it all together. The current vaad is doing great things - coming up with good ideas and executing them well.

AL: What you would like to see happening at Ahavas Shalom?

PK: Let's get an expanded shul - we need more space. Our success in keeping existing members and attracting new ones has led to over-crowding and some discomfort especially in the winter when there is only one minyan on *leil* Shabbat. We also need better accommodation for the women. Getting the Rav to spend more time here is certainly a goal. In this regard, the new Thursday night *mishmar* and Friday morning shiur has proved to be a massive success - a big *yasher koach* to Binyamin Rubenstein and the vaad on this initiative. We need to get women and children more involved thereby making Ahavas Shalom more of a family kehilla. Again I am confident the vaad will be able to initiate and execute the necessary developments.

AL: How has your learning developed since you made Aliya?

PK: In the night I am part of Rabbi Shmuel Katz's Yoreh Deah programme. It's fantastic and I enjoy it greatly. I greatly admire Rabbi Katz. In the mornings I am learning messechet Succah in R. Teichtel's Beis Tzvi kollel with a *chabura* of four and benefiting from Rabbi Ebu-Isaac's insights giving us a deeper understanding of the daf. Ahavas Shalom is providing a number of attractive learning options and is certainly competing successfully with the other learning programmes in RBS.

AL: Let's talk about Shelley.

PK: Shelley has created a beautiful home for me and the children and despite the difficulties is completely supportive of my life-style. She works as an occupational therapist and recently initiated the first ladies' hatzala group here in RBS. There are currently approximately sixty women undertaking a six month EMT course. Upon completion, the ladies will volunteer their time and expertise assisting in medical emergencies where women are involved.

AL: What are your and Shelley's dreams for the future?

PK: My dream is to daven in a larger, less cramped Ahavas Shalom with plenty of space for our children, and with the new room being used for *smochot*.

AL: Thank you for these insights and enjoy your special evening.



Rav Avrohom Baruch
Zachariash

Rav of Beis Medrash Ahavas Shalom

RAV'S OPENING WORDS

We find ourselves after Ki Sisa which deals with the “sin of the golden calf”. We are about to recount the building of the Tabernacle in the wilderness. It is quite striking that the Parsha with this sin, was placed in the midst of the parshios of the building of the Tabernacle. Why is this so?

Aside from this, next week's parsha starts off with the mitzvah of Shabbos which seems to be out of place. Yet the gemora tells us that the *melochos*, which are forbidden to be done on Shabbos are those exact *melochos* which were used to construct the Tabernacle. Obviously, Shabbos and the Tabernacle must have some kind of common ground.

I once heard from Rav Moshe Shapiro *zatzal* an explanation of this point. The world was created with the hope that Man would not sin, and the original Shabbos that was supposed to come would have been the ultimate fulfillment of creation. Unfortunately, Adam Harishon sinned, we spiraled downward until we were enslaved in Egypt, and with the Exodus we began the climb, with the climax of the receiving of the Torah at Mount Sinai. *Chazal* tell us that the state of *Klal Yisrael* at the receiving of the Torah was in fact comparable to that of Adam Harishon before he sinned. We gained a new lease on life, able again to reach the ultimate Shabbos. However, we again sinned by the golden calf and we received the second set of tablets, an alternative path to our ultimate purpose in this world. In this new world, the Tabernacle (or the Temple in Jerusalem) served as the place that was a “sanctuary”, so that we could come and serve Hashem in this place with no sin. In fact, Chazal tell us (Tanchuma Pinchas 12) that whoever lodged in Jerusalem after coming to the Holy Temple became a person with no sins on his account. Meaning, he lived on a plain of purity and repentance. This structure in the wilderness was designed by Betzalal, who knew how to draft the world from square one.

The Gemora tells us if a person's *yetzer hara* is trying to get him to sin, one should reel the *yetzer* into the Beis Hamedrash. I would like to suggest that the idea which Chazal are projecting is that one who lives in the Beis Hamedrash is living in the sphere, unaffected by his *yetzer hara*. In fact, I heard my Rosh Yeshiva *shlita*,

explain the Chazal that says “after the destruction of the Temple, Hashem only has the 4 cubits of halacha” – the reason being that sin does not affect these holy places.

We are here tonight to strengthen our commitment to our “*mikdash me’at*” – our miniature Holy Temple. B”H in our holy place we have Torah, we have tefillah and it is a place where people are concerned for others. I think all those who are here tonight understand the importance of our holy institution and are proud to be infused with the spirituality that our shul brings. Tonight, as we try to expand and strengthen this holy place, we are looking to give ourselves a bigger and better place which will facilitate our growth as individuals.

My brocho to each and every one of us is that we use our *mikdash me’at* as much as we can , and surely, through this, we will become that much closer to the building of the ultimate Holy Temple in Jerusalem.



Top: The Rav leading the first Thursday Night Mishmar
Above: Picking the winner for the annual Summer Raffle

Below: Examining a lulav for Sukkos



דברי הרב

אנו עומדים אחרי פרשת כי-תשא אשר בה מוזכר עניין חטא העגל הזהב. בפרשות הבאות התורה חוזרת ומספרת על בניית המשכן במדבר. זה מדהים למדי שהפרשה בה מוזכר חטא זה ממוקמת בין פרשיות של המשכן, וזה צריך הסבר. חוץ מזה, פרשת השבוע הבא מתחילה עם המצווה של שבת, מה שנראה, לכאורה, שלא במקומו. הגמרא מספרת לנו שהמלאכות האסורות בשבת הן אלו שהיו נצרכות כדי לבנות את המשכן. ברור שחייב להיות איזשהו מכנה משותף בין שמירת שבת לבניית המשכן.

שמעתי פעם מפי הרב משה שפירא זצ"ל הסבר על נקודה זו. ה' ברא את העולם בתקווה שהאדם לא יחטא, והשבת הראשונה היתה אמורה להיות השלמת הבריאה. אבל אדם הראשון חטא, ואנחנו הידרדרנו עד יציאת מצרים, ואחר מכן עלינו לשיא של קבלת התורה בהר סיני. חז"ל אומרים לנו כי מצבו של כלל ישראל בזמן קבלת התורה היה, למעשה, זהה לזה של אדם הראשון לפני חטא. קבלנו הזדמנות חדשה בחיים, ושוב היינו יכולים להגיע לשבת האולטימטיבית.

אבל חטאנו בעגל הזהב, וקיבלנו את הלוחות השניות, אשר התוו מסלול חילופי למטרתנו האולטימטיבית בעולם הזה. בעולם חדש זה, המשכן (או בית המקדש בירושלים) שימש כ"מקלט", מקום שאינו נגוע בחטא, שבו אפשר לבוא ולעבוד את ה' במקום נקי מחטא. למעשה, חז"ל אומרים לנו (מדרש תנחומא פנחס י"ב) שמי שלן בירושלים לאחר עלייתו לבית המקדש, הפך לאדם נקי מחטא, עם דף חדש. הוא חי ברמה של טוהר ותשובה. מבנה המשכן במדבר תוכנן על ידי בצלאל, שידע איך לצייר את העולם מתחילתו.

הגמרא מספרת לנו, "אם פגע בדך מנוול זה (כלומר היצר הרע) משכהו לבית המדרש" (קידושין ל"ב). אני רוצה להציע שכוונתם של חז"ל היא שאדם אשר שוכן בבית המדרש חי ב"מרחב מוגן", שאינו מושפע מן היצר הרע שלו. שמעתי הסבר מראש הישיבה שלי שליט"א לדברי חז"ל: "מיום שחרב בית המקדש אין לו להקב"ה בעולמו אלא ארבע אמות של הלכה בלבד" (ברכות ח"א) – מדוע? מכיוון שהחטא אינו משפיע על המקומות הקדושים האלה.



אנחנו כאן הלילה כדי לחזק את הקשר שלנו למקדש מעט שלנו. ב"ה במקום הקדוש שלנו יש לנו תורה, יש לנו תפילה, ויש מקום שבו לאנשים אכפת מאחרים תוך עזרה הדדית. אני חושב שכל הנוכחים כאן מבינים את חשיבותו של המוסד הקדוש שלנו, וגאים להיות חדורים ברוחניות שבאה מכיוון בית הכנסת. הערב, כשאנחנו מנסים להרחיב ולחזק את המקום הקדוש הזה, אנחנו פועלים ליצור לעצמנו מקום גדול וטוב יותר, אשר יעודד כל אחד ואחת מאיתנו בתהליך הצמיחה האישית שלו.

ברכתי לכל אחד ואחת מאיתנו היא שנשתמש במקדש המעט שלנו ככל שנוכל. אני בטוח שבאמצעותו, נהיה יותר קרובים לבניין בית המקדש השלישי בירושלים, במהרה בימינו – אמן.

MESSAGE FROM LEV SELTZER

AHAVAS SHALOM VAAD CHAIRMAN

Did you ever make a photo album? While the final album might only include 30 pictures, I need to look through dozens of pictures to find those special ones. But as I look through each picture and decide “yes” or “no”, it will bring back memories of what was happening and how I was feeling at the time.

I have nearly 4000 pictures tagged “AhavasShalom” on my computer. Some are almost 20 years old, such as the “Melaveh Malkah” in my home in 2001 that started the first building campaign. Over 1500 of these pictures have been taken since the 2018 Melaveh Malkah! As I went through them to create this journal, I was comforted by all the memories of this past year—both happy times and sad times. I hope you enjoy the photographs I have selected for this year’s journal, and I thank you all for “posing” for me!

Ahavas Shalom has been my *makom tefillah* for nearly two decades. I appreciate the friendly environment, and the seriousness that everyone puts into their tefillas. I have developed a close relationship with the Rav, and friendship with many members. I am sure you have, too.

I have also come to appreciate the many fine characteristics of the esteemed members of our Vaad. Each of them brings their own expertise, which they use to manage and improve our *kehilla* with the utmost in dedication. I am so excited about the new programs that they have recently begun in our kehilla, and the plans for expanding our current structure—plans that may actually come to fruition this coming year.

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Ahavas Shalom Vaad

Top to bottom: Lev Seltzer (Chairman), Yosef Richards (Vice Chairman), Aryeh Beer (Treasurer), Eli Waldman, Yonah Kaufman, Bradley Rubenstein, Hananiah Lasker.





Rabbi Akiva Teichtal
Rosh Kollel - Kollel Bet Zvi

Kinyan Torah Acquiring Torah Knowledge

By Rav Iair Ebu-Isaac and Rav Akiva Teichtal

Bet Zvi is honored to have this year's guest of honor as one of its veteran and outstanding talmidim.

R' Peretz Katz has been part of Bet Zvi's morning program since its very inception. He was a central part of the Shabbos Iyun Chaburah, then led by the Rosh Kollel.

Currently, Peretz is an avid participant of one of our newest shiurim- The Kinyan Masechta Program. This program is led by Dayan Iair Ebu-Isaac.

In order to understand what's so special about Kinyan Masechta, we can read the following words, by Rav Ebu-Isaac himself.

Baruch Hashem I have the zechut of running the "Kinyan Masechta" program, Bet Zvi branch (this program has other branches in and outside Eretz Yisroel).



The program is known for its hatzlacha in helping people remember the limud, thus making a real "Kinyan" in the masechta (instead of just learning and then forgetting it ASAP... see Sanhedrin 99). This way, we are *mekayem* the mitzvah of ידיעת התורה besides the mitzvah of וליל יומם (see שו"ע הרב in הל' ת"ת).

In our branch, the program is adapted to the great skills and aspirations of the *b'ney hachabura*. Our *talmidim* always aspire to understand everything in depth, and don't give up until every single *hava hamina* is explained. We check the מפרשים down to the last detail.

After the sugiyah is properly understood we move forward to the Halacha part, following each possi-

ble *mahalach*, until we come to our own conclusions.

Once in a while we do quick reviews, all the way from the beginning to where we hold now, backwards and forwards. Another very important feature in our *limud* is the time we dedicate for questions and brainstorming, so that each of us expresses himself in a dynamic way.

Sometimes our shiur splits into chavrusas, keeping the *limud* as fresh and exciting as possible. One of us shares a daily short summary (written by himself), and so we manage to remember the material while focusing on in-depth understanding, and keeping a nice pace at the same time.

The general atmosphere in the *Chaburah* is great, *Baruch Hashem*. It's friendly yet very serious.

Peretz is a very serious talmid, in more than one way. Even when he is away for business, he calls to listen in, and participate from afar by asking relevant questions.

I am so glad to be a shareholder!



KOLLEL BET ZVI

Ever since its establishment in 2000, Kollel Bet Zvi has been Ahavas Shalom's own community kollel and partner. Bet Zvi offers a variety of shiurim and chavrusas for working people from inside the community and outside of it. Care to join? Email Akiva at betzvi@ahavasshalom.org



Rabbi Teichtal with a full Kollel in 2003



Rabbi Moshe Dovid Cohen and Binyamin Rubenstein

Rabbi Teichtal gives the Amud Yomi Shiur



Rabbi Meir Parker gives his morning shiur in *mach'shava* and *hashkafa*.



Rabbi Moshe Dovid Cohen gives the Semicha Shiur

העולם ובפיו טענה: מלאכתי מיותרת ובלתי אפשרית, שהרי היצר הרע שכנגדי לא די שהוא עמל ללא הרף להכשיל את הבריות, אלא הרבה מסייעים ועוזרים לו בעולם, וכאילו לא די בזה, עוד מקבל סיוע מן המושלים הגוים הרודפים את היהודים שלא יקיימו את המצוות. ולעומת זאת אני אין בכוחי הדל לעמוד כנגדו וכנגד כל המסייעים הרבים בידו, במצב זה ללא סיוע לצדי, איני יכול להמשיך. רעש גדול נעשה בשמים שהרי אין קיום לעולם בלי יצר הטוב והמצב הנוכחי הוא אכן בלתי אפשרי, ומשום כך החליטו בשמים לתת מסייעים גם בידי היצר הטוב שיסייעוהו בעולם הזה. המסייעים האלו יהיו הרבנים והמגיידים שילמדו את העם דעת ותבונה וילמדום את הדרך ילכו בה. ומאז ועד היום כל פעם שיש איזה גזירה או תקלה חדשה הממשמשמת ובאה, פונה אלינו היצר הטוב ומבקש מאיתנו לסייע בידו בכל הדרוש. והנה בפעם הזאת בתקלת המזון הטרף באוניברסיטאות הגויים, במקום לפנות אלינו – הנאמנים לו כמימים ימימה, הגיע עם עצותיו דוקא לצד שכנגד... הלא דבר זה אומר דרשני... תשובתו המאלפת סתמה את פיות המשכילים המקטרגים, כשהמסר ברור ונוקב ולא קמה עוד רוח במתחכמים להשטין.

רעיון זה שהיה יפה לשעתו, יפה גם בכל הזמנים, ומהווה נקודת אור בספיקות הרבים המתגלגלים לפתחינו בכל מהלך החיים, והכלל בזה הוא, שכשהצעה לתיקון באה מכיוון אויבנו והם מציעים לנו 'באו לגור עמנו כאשר גרו אבותי עם אבותיכם, ויהיה לכם כל הטוב'. עוד קודם שנבין היכן בדיוק טמון העוקץ, כבר נדע שאין כוונתם לטובתינו.

וכפי שפירש הבית הלוי בפרשת וישלח על הפסוק "הצילני נא מיד אחי מיד עשו" וז"ל: דבהתחלת הגלות יהיה גוזר גזירות רעות בשמדות ויסורים וילחם בהם וירצה לאבדם, וה' ברחמיו לא יעזבם. ולבסוף, יאמר כי רוצה לישב בשלוה עם יעקב, וכוונתו דבזה ירחיק את ישראל מעבודת ה' וידיחם מאמונתם ... וזה הגלות השני שיהיה בסוף הגלות הוא נקרא בפרך בפה רך. ומוזה הגלות נתיירא יעקב אבינו יותר מיראתו מן הראשון, כי טבע האדם עלול להכשל בו יותר מן הראשון, ועל כן הקדימו בתפלתו ואמר הצילני נא מיד אחי ואח"כ אמר מיד עשו, יען כי בראשון אין בו רק שיעבוד גופני והשני הוא שיעבוד בשניהם ברוחני וגם בגופני ... וזה הענין יהיה נמשך עד ביאת משיח בב"א.

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I thank these dedicated men for all the hours they spend creating a *makom kadosh* for our *kehilla*.

And I thank all of **you** for being a part of this very special *kehilla*—one that will continue to grow in Torah and *kedushah* for the next 20 years and beyond. Looking forward to more happy times—whether they are photographed or not—in the coming years!

על הפסוק הבה נתחכמה לו מפרש המדרש [הובא בילקוט שמעוני שמות רמז קסג] בשעה שאמר הבה נתחכמה לו, קבץ פרעה את כל ישראל, ואמר להם בבקשה מכם עשו עמי היום בטובה, היינו דכתיב בפרך בפה רך, נטל סל ומגרפה וכל מי שהיה רואה פרעה נוטל סל ומגרפה ועושה בלבנים, היה עושה. מיד הלכו ישראל בזריזות ועשו אומנות עמו כל היום לפי כחן לפי שהיו בעלי כח וגבורים, כיון שהחשיך העמיד עליהן נוגשים, ואמרו להם חשבו את הלבנים. מיד עמדו ומנו אותם, ואמר להם כזה אתם מעמידים לי בכל יום, מינה נוגשים של מצרים על שוטרים של ישראל.

ואמנם מובא במדרש שעמרם שהיה גדול הדור, הזהירם שלא יתפתו אחרי עצת פרעה, ואכן שבט לוי שמעו בקולו ולא נכנסו בעול השעבוד, וכך לאורך כל הגלות במצרים לא היו בקושי השיעבוד של בפה רך שנסתיים בפרך. אבל שאר העם שלא שתו לבם לדברי עמרם ונשתכנעו מן הפה הרך ונסתנוורו מהתגמול המובטח לעמלים בבנין מצרים, אלו נלכדו בסופו של דבר בשיעבוד של פרך.

בזילנא של שנת תר"כ היתה פעם אסיפה של ראשי הקהל ודנו בהצעה חדשה, שבהיות וישנם כמה יהודים שלדאבון לב נתפשו ברוחות הזמן ומבקרים באוניברסיטאות של הגויים, ומכיון שאין שם אוכל כשר נוצר מצב שנכשלים במאכלות אסורות רח"ל, ולכן הועלתה הצעה – כביכול תמימה, להידבר עם מנהלי האוניברסיטאות שהקהילה היהודית תפעיל שם מטבח כשר, וכל אלו שמשום מה שולחים שם את בניהם, לכל הפחות ינצלו שלא יכשלו גם באיסור מאכלות אסורות.

כוונתם של המציעים היתה ברורה, להוריד את המחסום שעוד נשאר בפני כמה מהיראים שנמנעו מלבקר במקום זה מחשש התגעלות במאכלות אסורות, וכעת כשמחסום זה יוסר, שהרי כעת יוכלו לאכול בכשרות, לא תהיה עוד מניעה מביקור במקום זה, מה גם שתהיה זו מעין נתינת גושפנקא והכרה בדרכם הנלוזה.

מבוכה גדולה השתררה בין הנאספים, שהרי כיצד ניתן להתנגד אל מול טענה יפה ומיתממת שכזו המצטיירת כתיקון פרצות הדת, וכי נאמר למי שכבר עשה מעשה אחד לא טוב, שיידחה לגמרי ויאכל גם נבילות.

בין המשתתפים נוכח גם המגיד של וילנא שהיה מהפרנסים שהנהיגו נאמנה את הקהילה היהודית, וישא המגיד משלו ויאמר: ברצוני לספר לכם ממסתורי מלאכתי, ובכן שמעו נא רבותי את אשר אני דובר עליכם. פעם הגיע היצר הטוב לבורא

המשך בעמוד 11





רב יהודה לייב ליכטמן
Rabbi Yehuda Leib
Lichtman
Maggid shiur Daf Yomi
(Hebrew)

מאויבי תחכמני

הגמרא במסכת ברכות [סא:] מביאה את המעשה

הידוע "תנו רבנן פעם אחת גזרה מלכות הרשעה שלא יעסקו ישראל בתורה, בא פפוס בן יהודה ומצאו לרבי עקיבא שהיה מקהיל קהילות ברבים ועוסק בתורה. אמר ליה, עקיבא אי אתה מתירא מפני מלכות, אמר לו, אמשול לך משל, למה הדבר דומה – לשועל שהיה מהלך על גב הנהר, וראה דגים שהיו מתקבצים ממקום למקום, אמר להם מפני מה אתם בורחים, אמרו לו מפני רשתות שמביאין עלינו בני אדם. אמר להם רצונכם שתעלו ליבשה, ונדור אני ואתם כשם שדרו אבותי עם אבותיכם, אמרו לו, אתה הוא שאומרים עליך פקח

שבחיות, לא פקח אתה, אלא טפש אתה, ומה במקום חיותנו אנו מתיראין, במקום מיתתנו על אחת כמה וכמה. אף אנחנו, עכשיו שאנו יושבים ועוסקים בתורה, שכתוב בה כי הוא חייך וארך ימיו – כך, אם אנו הולכים ומבטלים ממנה – על אחת כמה וכמה.

במבט ראשון כששומעים את דברי השועל קשה שלא להבליע חיוך... וכי מי הוא זה שיתפתה לו ויסכים לעזוב את מקום חיותו בשביל הבטחות כאלו ואחרות.

אמנם כשנתבונן בנמשל על טענת היצר הרע שמציע כל מיני הצעות 'לטובתנו' נראה שלא פעם הטענה נראית די הגיונית, שהרי הגמרא במסכת שבת קה: מלמדת אותנו שכך אומנתו של יצר הרע, היום אומר לו עשה כך ולמחר אומר לו עשה כך. עד שאומר לו עבוד עבודה זרה והולך ועובד.

וכך מספרת הגמרא במסכת מעילה יז. שפעם אחת גזרה המלכות גזרה שלא ישמרו את השבת, ושלא ימולו את בניהם, ושיבעלו את נדות. הלך רבי ראובן בן איסטרובלי והסתפר כדרך הגויים, והלך וישב עמהם, אמר להם: מי שיש לו אויב יעני או יעשיר, אמרו לו: יעני, אמר להם: אם כן, לא יעשו מלאכה בשבת – כדי שיענו, אמרו: טוב אמר, ליבטל, ובטלוה. חזר ואמר להם: מי שיש לו אויב יכחיש או יבריא, אמרו לו: יכחיש, אמר להם: אם כן, ימולו בניהם לשמונה ימים – ויכחישו, אמרו: טוב אמר, ובטלוה. חזר ואמר להם: מי שיש לו אויב ירבה או יתמעט, אמרו לו: יתמעט, אם כן – לא יבעלו נדות, אמרו: טוב אמר, ובטלוה. הכירו בו שהוא יהודי – החזירו.

וכשנתבונן במעשה הזה, מדוע מלכתחילה הקשיבו לעצתו ומשנוכחו שהוא יהודי מיאנו בדבריו, והלא אם הדברים נכונים מה אכפת להם מי אמרם, הרי לגופו של עניין הטענה צודקת. אלא דבר אחד הבינו הרומאים היטב: "עצות טובות ככל שתהיינה, אם הם באות מהאויב לא יתכן שהם לטובתנו".

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS SIYUM



On a Motza'ei Shabbos in October, the country returned to "standard time" and we set the clocks back an hour. That gave everyone an "extra hour" - but what to do with the time?

Our own Rabbi Moshe Dovid Cohen devised a perfect plan: Gather together, learn a *mesechta*, and have a *siyum*! Thus was born the "**Sha'ah Achas Program**" 4 years ago, and the idea has now caught on world-wide.

This year was no different. Many of us gathered in the Beis Medrash, learned *meseches Makos*, and celebrated the learning of more torah.



1st row L to R: Rabbi Moshe Dovid and Eliezer Cohen; Chaim and Yehoshua Tatelbaum

2nd Row: A full Beis Medrash; Chaim and Rabbi Avraham Willig

3rd Row: Ariel and Eliezer Garalnick

Last 2 rows: The Rav leads the Hadran and Dancing!

MEGILLA WITH THE KEHILLA

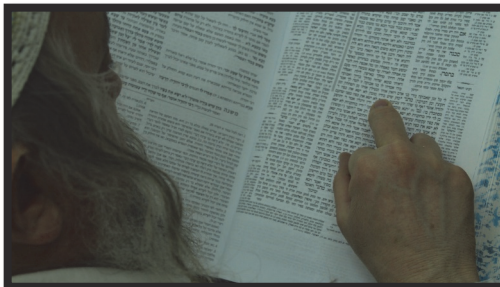


What is there to do on Purim night after hearing the megilla? Now in its **FOURTH** year, about 20 men got together to learn all of *mesechta Megilla* in about an hour. Rabbi Naftali Kaplan was *mesayam* just before 23:00.

Look for another *Megilla with the Kehilla* event this Purim!

Top: Yisrael Harris, Ari Waldman, David DiNeppi, Elisha Seltzer, Micha Kushner

Below: Rabbi Naftali Kaplan leads the Hadran while Daniel Friedman looks on.



עול שמחת מצוות - AVOS uBANIM



Yossi, Hananiah and Tuvia Lasker



Rabbi Moshe Dovid and Simcha Cohen



Yosi, Yonatan and Akiva Benjamin



Yehoshua and Yitzchak Frohlich



Baruch Shalom and Betzael Yaffe



Yitzchak Tzvi and Rabbi Akiva Teichtal

For many boys learning with their fathers in Avos uBanim is one of the highlights of the week. It is an opportunity for fathers to learn with their sons as well as a chance to bond in a warm and rewarding atmosphere. Baruch Hashem there are quite a few boys who have become a bit older and have joined us for the full hour on Motzai Shabbos. Today most of our children's Torah education takes place in a school setting, however we still can fulfill the obligation to teach our sons Torah (Kiddusin 29a) ourselves and Avos U Banim is a wonderful way to do so in a positive and enjoyable atmosphere. Many fathers and sons already join us on a weekly basis, some on "pizza" weeks, and others only occasionally. There is always room for additional fathers and sons and if you have been thinking of joining there is no time like the present.



Ashi, Eli and Uriel Waldman



Shimon and Akiva Solway



Bentzi, Shlomo and Avraham



Shlomo Zalman and Perry Abramowitz



Akiva, Tzvi and Chananel Broker



Yehoshua Baruch, Rabbi Avishai and Naftali Hill



Pizza Night



SHIURIM AT AHAVAS SHALOM

A quick look at some of the many shiurim in our Beis Medrash

Tuesday Halacha Shiur

With Rav Zachariash

20:15 to 21:00

Covering various topics in the Mishnah Berurah



Tuesday Chabura

With Rav Zachariash

21:15 to 22:15



Friday Halacha Shiur

With Rabbi Hochberg

08:15 to 08:45



Amud Yomi

With Rabbi Avishai Hill

20:00-21:00



PURIM & YESHIVAS MORDECHAI HATZADIK



Yitzchak and
Yehoshua Rubin



Yisrael Lowenstein
puts on a show



Rabbi Dovid Yosef
Schlossberg Z"L



Chaim Tzvi, Rabbi
Yosef and Binyamin
Richards



Ari Goldwag leads the
main Purim Day Mincha



Head Gabbi Naftali Kaplan
announces the "rules"



Efraim Steiner leins the megillah
while Avi Rosenberg looks on



Yoel Steiner leins the
Megillah at night.



Micha and Elyashiv Yehuda
Kushner



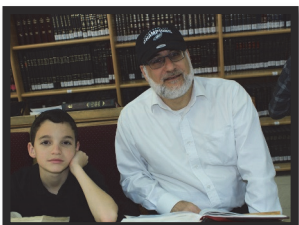
Chananel, Donniel and Yekutiel
Karl



Yisroel Rosenberg ensures that no
one hears "Haman"



Moishe Zachariash and the Rav



Yehuda Menachem and Ari
Lieberman



Gil and Yehuda Garalnik

MATZAH BAKING

Every year our Kehillah gets together to bake our own hand-made matzos, supervised by the Rav. Thank you to Peretz Dissen who arranged it last year—and every year!



Nechemiah Seltzer cleaning with the power-sprayer



Shimon Goldwater with Bracha, Yael and Yehuda.



Shimon Solway on the perforator



Bentzi Back with Sam and Emunah.



Uriel, Eli and Ashi Waldman



Yosi Benjamin on the perforator



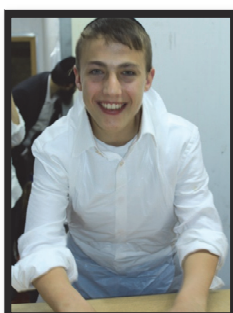
Elisha Seltzer and Avi Kallus check that the matzah also tastes good



Peretz Dissen taking a break from organizing the event



Rabbi Yosef, Aaron, Binyamin and Chaim Tzvi Richard with Libi Zatman



Chaim Willig



(l to r) Mordechai Americus, Kineret Americus, Orli Abramowitz and Bayla Abramowitz

YESHIVAS BEIN HAZMANIM



Baruch Wechsler

During the breaks in Nissan, Av and Tishrei, dozens of *bochurim* learned in our Beis Medrash. Each boy received a “salary” for his learning, paid for by donors in our Kehilla.

Thank you to all for keeping our Beis Medrash active—even during the “vacation” periods.



Betzael Spira and his *chevrusa*



Moishe Muriel and Moshe Dov Goldwag



Daniel Friedman and Yosef Beckerman



Chaim Tatelbaum and his *chevrusa*



Uriel Yaffe



Moishe Sporn & Yitzzy Kovan

BET ZVI'S YOM IYUN



At our annual Bet Zvi Yom Iyun, Rav Avrohom Baruch Zachariash, Rav Dovid Kaplan, Rabbi Avraham Jacobovitz and Rabbi Eliezer Margulies spoke to a very large crowd—many of whom had the day off. The shiurim have been recorded on video and can be viewed on www.ahavasshalom.org.



TISHA B'AV

Just a few hours before sunset on Tisha B'Av, the Kehilla hosted a special program featuring shiurim from Rav Zachariash, Rabbi Rafi Brodie and Rabbi Akiva Teichtal. All shiurim were recorded in MP3 and video formats and are available for download.



LAG B'OMER



Shimon Young and Daniel learn before the bonfire at a special "Avos uBanim" event



The Rav lights the Lag B'Omer fire



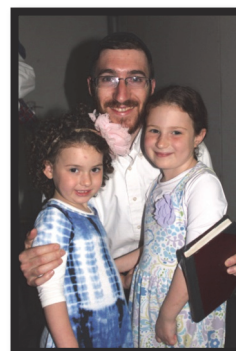
Jonny Links with Yehoshuah, Yitzchak and Leah



Raanan Bodzin with Shoshana, Aryeh and Yehuda



Chezkie Dickman with Yekutiel Yehuda



Yehoshua Tokayer with Chavi and Talya



Musical Entertainment by world-famous **Ari Goldwag**



Jeffrey Bell and Ari Waldman



Alan Rubenstein with granddaughter Naomi



Magical Entertainment from Menachem Segal

SUKKOS



Thank you to Yitzhak Reichenberg for once again building our Sukkah!



Yitzhak Rubin leads the *Hoshanas*, while Shlomo Dickman, Zev Dov Klein and Simche Wecker follow closely behind.



Yehoshua Sher



Yehuda Baruch Rubenstein



Shlomo Messinger leads Hallel



Avishai Hill with Moshe Yechiel, Naftali and Yehoshua Baruch



Tuvia Lasker parades around while holding tight to his Lulav, Esrog and Siddur

SIMCHAS BEIS HASHOEVA



MISHMAR



Mishmar is the Kehilla's latest activity, and the response has been fantastic! The Rav opens with a "real *shayla*", everyone takes a source sheet and learns the relevant sugiyos. The Rav then puts everything together, explaining how to give a *psak*.

Finally we all go into the Hall for a catered meal, thanks to the various sponsors.



Continuing the Thursday night theme, Rabbi Rafi Brodie now joins us on Thursdays when the Rav is not here, and leads a discussion on the parsha over beer and nosh.



אם נסוף תלוי אַת עמי, אַת העני עמי

THE AHAVAS SHALOM LOAN GEMACH

Hidden away among all the programs and services at Ahavas Shalom is a loan gemach, managed by dedicated volunteers and funded by members of our own kehilla. During the past two years alone, over twenty members benefited from loans ranging from a few hundred to a maximum of eight-thousand shekels.



Loans are given for a maximum of six months, and require a guarantor. No questions are asked as to the purpose of the loan, but we can imagine that they are for various emergency needs, bridging a difficult—sometimes frightening—time between when a payment is due and when expected funds are supposed to arrive.

To help fund the Gemach, or if you need a loan, please speak with Peretz Katz or Chaim Stepelman.

OHR HACHAIM KIDDUSH CHEVRA

The secret is getting out. At the end of davening on nearly every Shabbos morning, a group of men, children (and some ladies) get together in the Hall for a Kiddush and Torah, featuring commentary by the “*Ohr HaChaim*” given by Reb Eliyahu Jacobs.

Approximately once a month Rav Zachariash attends, and bring his own *divrei* Torah to share.

No Kiddush would be complete without a selection of fine whiskies. For that, the Kiddush *Chevra* has **Peretz Katz** to thank, as he constantly has the *Chevra* on his mind whenever he passes the Duty Free shops.

Everyone is welcome to attend—no “*chevra* membership card” required.

**Chevramen do not let fellow Chevramen drive drunk. Please always drink responsibly at the Kiddush and wait until after Shabbos before driving or operating heavy machinery.*



MELAVEH MALKA 5778



Ye Grande Honouree
Yisroel Harris



Rabbi Yosef Richards
Vaad Welcome



Guest speaker:
Rabbi Dovid Gottlieb



MC Ephraim Friedman



Aryeh Beer
Splitting the Pot



Rav Zachariash



RIGHT: Dan Isaacs and Brad Rubenstein

BELOW: Table Setting





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In grateful recognition to our esteemed

Rav, Harav Zachariash, shlita,

for his continued spiritual leadership and unlimited dedication to the Kehilla.

Thank you to the **Rebbitzin** and the entire **Zachariash family** for allowing the Rav to give so much of his time for which we all benefit both individually and as a kehilla.

As always a special thank you to **Lev Seltzer** and the rest of the extremely effective **Vaad** as well as **Rabbi Naftali Kaplan** for keeping things going.

May you all be blessed with continued *hatzlocha* in all your endeavors.

PERETZ, SHELLEY AND KATZ FAMILY

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**Yasher Koach to
RAV AND REBBETZIN
ZACHARIASH
שליט"א**

And

**Mazel Tov to
MR. PERETZ KATZ**

BROCHO AND SHLOMO HOLLANDER

Gold Pages

Thank you to the

Rov and Rebbetzin

for their ongoing dedication to the Kehila

&

Mazal Tov to

Peretz Katz

**THE TUESDAY NIGHT LIBI CHAFETZ
CHABURA**

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Yasher Koach and
Continued Success

to

**Mr. Peretz Katz
and Family**

from

**RABBI AHARON & BEVERLY SIMKIN
AND FAMILY**



**NORTH
AMERICAN
KOSHER**

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With Thanks to
Rav and Rebbetzin
Zachariash

for their untiring efforts on behalf of the Kehilla,
and congratulations to

Peretz and Shelley
Katz

Wishing you good health and
hazlocho in the future.

ALAN AND CAROLINE LINDSEY

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With thanks to הקב"ה

In allowing us to find such a wonderful Shul
with such a wonderful Rav, whose devotion
to the Kehilla is an inspiration to us all

May

**Harav Avrohom Baruch
Zachariash Shlita**

See much *nachas* from his family
and the Kehilla

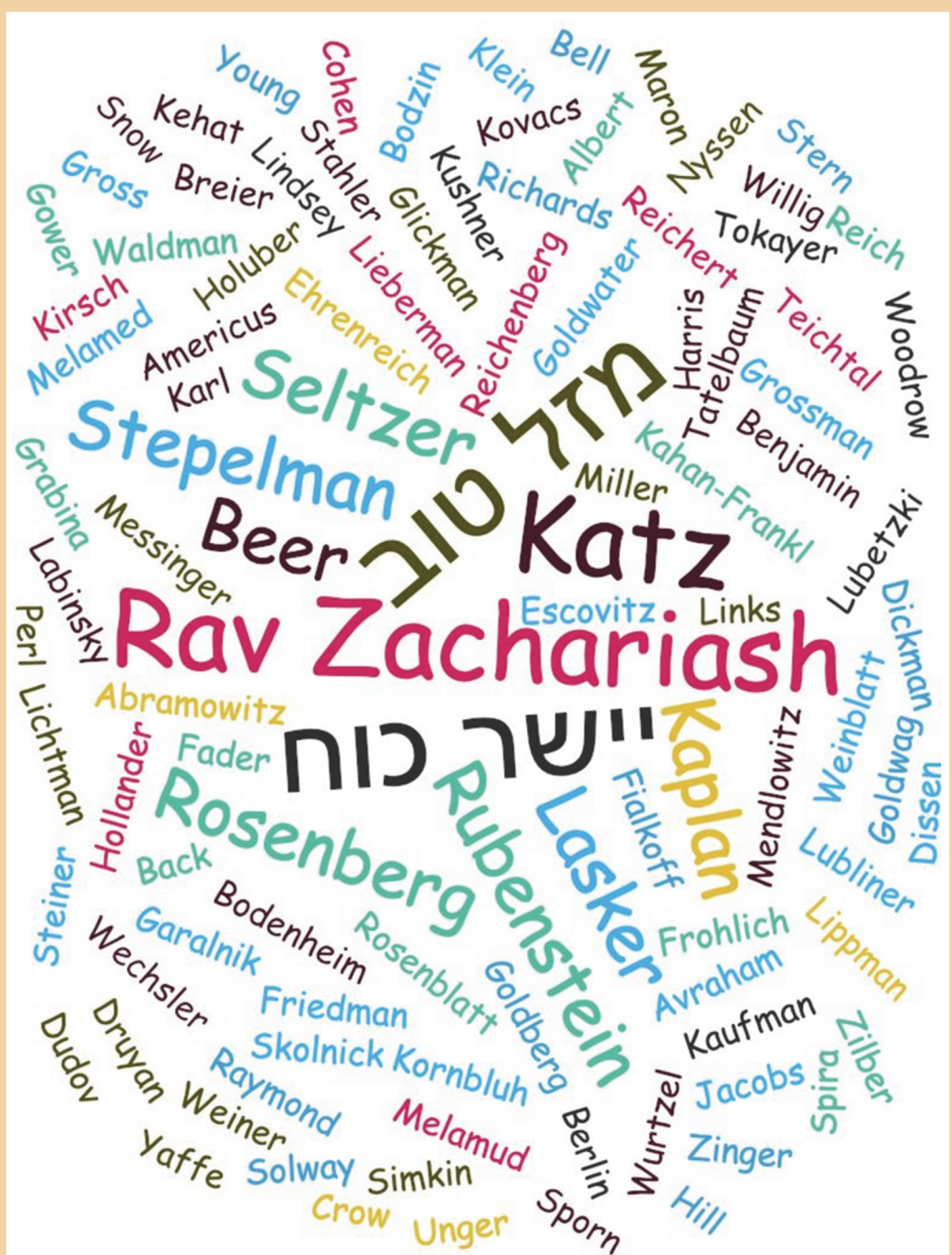
**YOSI & RIVKA BENJAMIN
AND FAMILY**

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**ברכה והצלחה
To Peretz Katz**

A Pillar of the Kehillah

ZEV & MATANA KLEIN



From Benyamin and Miriam Dudov. In zechut of our loved ones:
Shmuel ben Avraham, Eva bat Natan, Natan ben Leib, Michlya bat Yisroel.

Silver Pages

Mazel Tov
To our wonderful son
Rabbi Lev Seltzer

We are proud of
all you do for your
community!

STEPHEN AND SANDRA SELTZER

Roslyn Heights, NY

In honor of your president
and our brother
RABBI LEV SELTZER
and his beautiful family



With Love,

**STU AND CLIFF SELTZER
AND THE REST OF NEW YORK SELTZERS**

In honor of a dear friend and Talmid

R' Peretz Katz

who I have known for 30 years

Consistently shown integrity - exemplary *midos* and *hakaras hatov*

From the moment he went to learn at

Shappel's Yeshiva

Peretz developed and a love of TORAH learning and huge respect for Talmidei Chachomim

He shared this message and made a significant difference where ever his was in the world

Johannesburg- Perth - Ramat Beit Shemesh

May he and his wife Shelly be blessed with Brocha and Nachos from their special family

With love and admiration

SHMUEL, LIEBA AND THE WHOLE MOFFSON FAMILY

Mazal Tov to

Peretz & Shelley Katz

On Being an Honouree

Your South African Friends,

**DAVID & SHERYL COHEN AND FAMILY
GREG & LISA GINSBERG AND FAMILY**

**Mazaltov on being an honoree.
We are very proud of you.**

**Please Gd you, your family and
Kehillat Ahavat Shalom
should continue to be blessed
with
good health and
hatzlacha in all your endeavors.**

All our love,

GRANDPA BARRY AND GRANNY HAZEL

In memory of

Rav Moishe Stahler ztl

An outstanding role model whose love for Torah,
Israel and Bnei Yisroel was insatiable.

We only learned together for a relatively short time
during which you left an indelible impression on me.



PERETZ KATZ

In honor of

ARYEH & RIVKA BEER

JOSEF BEER

Brooklyn, NY

In honor of

ARYEH & RIVKA BEER

BARBARA AND BERNIE BEER

Mazal Tov
to
Mr. Peretz Katz
on receiving this well deserved Honor.

May he and his family merit
continued spiritual growth
in Torah and Mitzvos.

With much הַכֶּרֶת הטוב to the Rav, Vaad,
Gabboim, and to all those who contribute to
the smooth running of the Shul.

THE DISSEN FAMILY

Mazel Tov
to my friend
Peretz Katz
and his wonderful Family.

**Yasher Koach to the
Rav and to the Vaad**

BERYL SHMUEL BELL

In honor of

PERETZ KATZ

FOR HIS OUTSTANDING
DEDICATION TO
OUR SHUL AND KEHILLAH

YONAH KAUFMAN AND FAMILY

Mazal Tov to
Reb Peretz

on this well deserved honor. Your
participation and involvement in our
Kehilla are significant.

With Hakares Hatov to
**Rabbi and Rebbetzin
Zachariash**

for all they do for our Kehila and for
our family.

SHIMON & SHELLY SOLWAY

Wishing a lot of heartfelt Mazel Tov to
the shul on another successful year in
Ruchnius.

TO RAV ZACHARIASH AND HIS FAMILY
for all of their *mesiras nefesh* for the
kehilla

TO ALL THE ANONYMOUS PEOPLE
Who ensure that the shul runs smoothly

AND TO THE KATZ FAMILY
for all of their support in the shul.

RAYMOND FAMILY

Mazel Tov to the Honoree

PERETZ KATZ

Hatzlacha and Simcha to

THE LASKERS

**in recognition of all the good
work that they do for the shul.**

THE LIPPMANS

Wishing

Reb Peretz

a hearty *mazeltov* as being a most deserved honoree.
We are all delighted for you and your family and want
to thank you for everything you do for our Shul and
our Ohr HaChaim Kiddush Chevra!

Also a huge '*HaKoras HaTov*' to

Rav Zachariash

and his wonderful family who give so much of
themselves to our Kehillah.

THE OHR HACHAIM KIDDUSH CHEVRA

In honor of

PERETZ KATZ

**Thank you for all that you do
for our Kehilla.**

**Wishing you
*Brocho and Hatzlocho!***

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Peretz and the whole Katz family

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We wish continued
ברכה והצלחה
To Mr. Katz

and the entire Ahavas Shalom Kehilla

THE WELCHER FAMILY

In Honor of my Children
Rabbi and Mrs. A. B.
Zachariash

May they continue to be
messengers of Hashem
in your Kehilla,
and bring about a
קידוש ה'.

RABBI ALFRED FREEMAN

בס"ד

Dear R' Peretz

Tonight you are the Shul's guest of honor. But, at Bet Zvi we consider it an honor to have you all year round as a longstanding, important member of our kollel.

May you, and the rest of your Chaburah, grow constantly in Torah among us.

"שתולים בבית ה' בחצרות אלוקינו יפריחו"

Yours,

THE AVRECHIM AND TALMIDIM OF BET ZVI

To Peretz Katz

Thank you for all your involvement in the shul. It makes a difference!

To the Rav and Vaad

יישר כוח

for your work and effort.

THE GARALNICKS

**Wishing Hatzlacha and Brocha to
The Rav, his family and the
Ahavas Shalom Community.**

**Mazel Tov to
Peretz Katz**

**ALAN, ELAINE, BINYOMIN (BRAD)
AND KAREN RUBENSTEIN**

Dear Peretz and family,

Although you try your hardest to help the community without publicising all that you do, it doesn't go unnoticed and is very much appreciated! We consider it a huge honour to be in the community with the Katz Family. Please accept this as a small gesture for our appreciation for all you do!

YOSEF AND TEMIMA RICHARDS

**To the Katz
Family**

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נפתלי לובצקי

**To a Good
Friend with a
Big Heart.
Peretz,
Mazal Tov!**

ZEV & HARRIET KORNBLUH

Wishing the
Honoree
Reb Peretz
Ongoing
Success

הן ברוחניות הן בגשמיות

FAMILY HILL

In Honor Of
Peretz Katz

כל הבורח מן הכבוד,
הכבוד רודף אחריו

REUVAIN & YITTA MENDLOWITZ

Mazel Tov to
Peretz

And thank you to
Ahavas Shalom

SHMUEL & SHARON SCHNEE

Honor also
goes to
Rav Zachariash

**YISROEL & BELLA HELPRIN
AND THE KAPLAN FAMILY**

בס"ד

פרץ היקר הי"ן

כידיד אמת וכחברותא
אנצל את ההזדמנות הזו לברך
מעומק הלב אותך ואת כל
משפחתך,
שימלא ה' כל משאלות ליבכם
למזבח.



בהערכה
נפתלי קפלן

Mazel Tov to

**Peretz & Shelley
Katz**

May Hashem grant you continuous

ברכה והצלחה

With appreciation to

Rav Zachariash
and Family

SHMUEL & ELISHEVA KOVACS

GREETINGS

Mazel tov Mr. Peretz Katz. Rav
Zachariash, thank you for teaching us
kedusha.

Raanan and Sharon Bodzin

Best Wishes

Reuven and Raynee Bodenheim

Mazel Tov to Peretz Katz

The Spira Family

Thanks for all the Brownies!

Kita Ches, T.T. Toras Moshe

"וכל מי שעוסקים בצרכי
צבור באמונה הקדוש ברוך
הוא ישלם שכרם."
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Best Wishes from the

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ברכה והצלחה
To Perez Katz
A Stalwart of
our Kehilla

ARYEH & RIVKA BEER

Mazel Tov to
Peretz Katz!

LEV SELTZER

Honoring
Mr. & Mrs. Peretz Katz
May you continue in your tireless efforts
on behalf of Ahavas Shalom and beyond.

NORMAN AND LINDA CROW

"רציונו לברך את עמו ישראל באהבה"

Peretz, Shelly and family,

While showing your love for Am Yisrael through
words of ברכת כהנים modestly and quietly, your
actions shout out your concern and care for one and
for all! Well deserved honor!

YOEL STEINER

Mazel Tov to
R' Peretz
a worthy honoree.
With tremendous *hakaras hatov* to the
Rav Shlit"a
and the entire community.

YEHOSHUA & LIZ FROHLICH

Mazel Tov to my Nephew
Rabbi Lev Seltzer
On his Rabbinical Ordination!

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life stories beloved around the world. Rabbi Seltzer received his semicha from Rav Yitzchok Berkovitz at The Jerusalem Kollel and teaches at numerous post high school programs for American students in Eretz Yisrael.

PROGRAM: MELAVEH MALKAH

- 20:15 Doors open
- 20:30 Opening Dvar Torah from Rav Zachariash shlit"a
- 21:00 Rabbi Yosef Richards, Vice-Chairman Ahavas Shalom
Vaad and Building Update
First Course
- 21:20 Introduction of the Guest of Honor By Rabbi Rafi Brodie
Guest of Honor Reb Peretz Katz
Main Course
- 21:40 Music interlude
Binyamin Rubenstein and Dan Isaac
- 22:00 Guest Speaker: Rabbi Nachman Seltzer
- 22:40 Dessert
Bentching/Birkas Hamazon

MENU

Salads

Techina • Matbucha
Potato salad • Green leaf salad
Lettuce and tomato salad
Spicy eggplant

First course

Squash soup • Pea soup

Main course

Beef Roll • Stuffed Turkey Breast
Schnitzel

Side dishes

Roasted Potatoes
White Rice • Corn

Dessert

Ice cream minis
Coffee • Tea



אופרה

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