

כולל ד'פילאדעלפֿיא  
PHILADELPHIA COMMUNITY KOLLEL

14<sup>TH</sup>  
FORWARD & UPWARD  
ANNUAL  
DINNER

Tribute  
Journal



*Young Leadership Award*  
Dr. & Mrs. Andrew  
& Chava Paris



*Guests of Honor*  
Mr. & Mrs. Barry  
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SUNDAY,  
JANUARY 11, 2015



AT THE HILTON PHILADELPHIA, CITY AVENUE





# Program

## *Greetings*

Rabbi Ephraim Goldfein, Esq.  
Dinner Chairman

## *President's Remarks*

Mr. Sid Laytin

## *Rosh Kolloel Address*

Rabbi Yechiel Biberfeld

## *Video Presentation*

## *Dinner*

## *Award Presentations*

**Dr. and Mrs. Andrew and Chava Paris - Young Leadership Award**  
Mr. Mitch Appleton, Journal Chairman

**Mr. and Mrs. Barry and Miriam Gesserman - Guests of Honor**  
Rabbi Ephraim Goldfein, Esq., Dinner Chairman

## *Bentching*



# Message from the Rosh Kollel

Dear Friends,

“Forward and Upward,” the theme for this year’s annual dinner, signifies our 14th year of learning and teaching Torah in the greater Lower Merion community. We are continuing to move forward with growth in *chavrusa* learning, new programming, and ever-expanding opportunities for those who are thirsting to attain Torah knowledge and wisdom. Through this effort we are moving upward, all of us elevating ourselves towards a higher purpose, connecting ourselves with our true mission here in this world: to learn Hashem’s Torah and serve Him properly.

All who are gathered here this evening to join in this *simcha*, a celebration of another year of climbing the ladder of spirituality, have a share in this glorious *makom Torah*, the Kollel. Your support enables us to continue moving forward and upward, to be the oasis for all those who want and need to connect with Torah. Whether a beginner or a *lamdan*, community members of various backgrounds find their way into the Beis Medrash to refresh their minds and uplift their souls, day after day, week after week, month after month.

Our staff of *yungeleit*, who are vibrant and warm, energetic and inviting, enjoy learning Torah more than anything else in the world. This is expressed when they learn with community members as well. They live and breathe Torah; it is real, a part of them. This has allowed them to have tremendous success in transmitting this sacred Torah to others.

On this 14th year, which is the numerical value of 14, I thank my דודי, Rabbi Yoel Dovid Zeffren, who has been working with me “hand in hand” for over a decade. Thank you for everything you and your wife do for the Kollel, day in and day out.

The esteemed president of our board, Sid Laytin, has played a vital role in the continued success of the Kollel and its movement forward and upward. Aside from learning daily and nightly in the Kollel, sweating over his Gemarah and teaching his own pupils, his concern for the financial well-being of the Kollel is unmatched. May Hashem repay him for all his efforts in this world and the next.

Richie Fine and Chaya Wachs maintain a professional and organized office, both in the dinner season and throughout the year. יישר כחכם

Special thanks to our newly-appointed Director of Programming, Rabbi Yosef Prupas for all his new initiatives and for carrying out many existing and new programs successfully.

I would like to thank my dear friends Barry and Miriam Gesserman for serving as our honorees tonight and for their support throughout the years. Thank you to Andrew and Chava Paris for their excitement over the Kollel and for helping spread the light of Torah in our community.

אחרון אחרון חביב, to our long-time supporters Ted and Phyllis Kosloff, who continue to allow the Kollel’s torch of Torah to burn brightly as they “*shep nachas*” from it year after year.

Rabbi Yechiel Biberfeld



# Message from the President of the Board

With tremendous gratitude to *Hashem Yisborach*, I welcome you to the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Philadelphia Community Kollel dinner. Thank you for joining us and for your generous support of our ad journal.

*Mazel tov* to the worthy honorees. Barry and Miriam Gesserman are long-standing supporters of the Kollel and work actively on behalf of the community. Dr. and Mrs. Andrew and Chava Paris are an up-and-coming family already very involved in the community.

The success of tonight's dinner undoubtedly is due both to these wonderful honorees as well as to the dedication of our hard-working dinner committee. Thank you goes to Mitch and Ilana Appleson, David and Henchy Abraham, Rabbi Ephraim and Dr. Bracha Goldfein and of course Ted and Phyllis Kosloff, honorary ad journal chairpersons. A very big *yasher koach* goes to Rav Yoel Dovid Zeffren for all that he has done to make this dinner a success.

We are so fortunate to have a Kollel such as this in our community. And this has been another great year in terms of learning, programs and people. The Kollel Rabbis were *misayim Mesechtas Niddah* this fall after a very intense year of learning and are preparing for their *bechinos* on *Hilchos Niddah*. They will be learning *Hilchos Ribbis* next, as well as continuing in *Mesechtas Nazir*.

Three new Rabbis joined the Kollel staff this fall and together with their families moved to our community – Rabbi & Mrs. Menashe and Amanda Benedict and Rabbi & Mrs. Aryeh Leib and Chaya Ludzker from Yerushalayim, and Rabbi & Mrs. Moshe and Tzippy Bier from Lakewood.

At the same time, four rabbis transitioned out into new career opportunities while remaining in our community – Shmueli Grunberger joined Meridian Capital; Yehuda Nosenchuk joined 6 Points Catering; Yaakov Deutscher transitioned to full time as Executive Director at Kosloff Torah Academy; and Yakir Schechter became a part-time rebbe at the Mesivta High School. It is wonderful to see so many Kollel families remain in our community even when they move on to other positions.

This year saw the start of several new community learning programs at the initiative of Rabbi Yosef Prupas in his new position as Director of Community Programming. The Kollel is unique for its ability to bring together families from across the breadth of our community, and these two new programs are excellent examples of this.

Kesher is a mother-daughter learning program that is just beginning its second year and is off to a very exciting start. The program bonds together mothers and daughters around Torah, *mesorah* and Jewish community.

This fall, the Kollel organized a *chabura* for *mechanchim*. Under the direction of Rabbi Sholom Kelemer, *shoel u'maishiv* at the Talmudical Yeshivah of Philadelphia, ten rabbis - coming from six Philadelphia area schools - come together to learn five nights a week at the Kollel. It's a tremendous opportunity for these very committed and hard working *mechanchim* to continue their own learning in a structured *chabura*.

Representing the Board, I'd like to acknowledge and thank the Kollel *rebbeim* and staff for their dedication and unending efforts on behalf of the Kollel and the community. The Rosh Kollel, Rav Yechiel Biberfeld and Mrs. Biberfeld; the Assistant Rosh Kollel, Rav Yoel Dovid Zeffren and Mrs. Zeffren; and the staff, Rich Fine and Chaya Wachs. Thank you also to the *yungeleit* and their wives for their learning and teaching and all of their efforts on behalf of the Kollel. Thank you also to our board members for their time and guidance.

Finally, thank you to the Rabbis of our community shuls and schools, and to Rav Shmuel Kamenetsky and the Roshei Yeshiva and *rebbeim* of the Philadelphia Yeshiva for supporting the Kollel.

May Hashem continue to bless the Kollel in our mission of learning and teaching Torah in our community.

*Thank you,  
Sid Laytin*



# Message from the Journal Chairpersons

Dear Friends,

We are truly honored to serve as journal chairpersons. Soliciting ads is never easy, but the gracious and generous response that we've received heartens us as we continue to grow and achieve our goals. Whether your donation was large or small, know that it was appreciated and it is valued. Here at the Kollel, it's the Torah that's paramount, and the people and relationships are at the heart of the matter.

We have come a long way since our humble beginning and with Hashem's help we continue to grow *bli ayin hora*. Your support enables this growth so please accept our heartfelt thanks to each and every one of you who participated in our journal and dinner campaign.

*Dr. and Mrs. David and Henchy Abraham*

*Mr. Mitch and Dr. Ilana Appleson*

*Journal Chairpersons*

*Mr. and Mrs. Ted and Phyllis Kosloff*

*Honorary Journal Chairpersons*

# Our Staff



Rabbi Yechiel Biberfeld  
*Rosh Kollel*



Rabbi Yoel Dovid Zeffren



Rabbi Avraham Baum



Rabbi Yirmiyohu  
Bauminger



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Rabbi Yerachmiel  
Lichtman



Rabbi Yosef  
Prupas



Rabbi Yakir  
Schechter



Rabbi Shmuel Dov  
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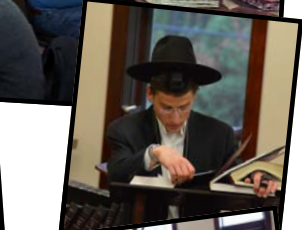




# Our Programs

## Nightly Beis Medrash

Every evening, all week long, *chavrusa* pairs of Kollel and community members animatedly explore different facets of Torah, on every level.



## Lunch Hour Navi

Community members enjoy learning *Navi* twice-weekly with a veteran *rebbe*, Rabbi Aron Gold. Now learning *Sefer Nechemia*. Monday and Thursday 1:45-2:30 p.m.

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## Kollel Boker

Rabbi Yirmiyohu Bauminger leads a pre-dawn *Gemara chabura* at the Anshei Sefard Minyan at KTA. This dedicated group of early risers starts their day on the right foot.

## Young Professionals Program

On Tuesday nights at 9:00 p.m., Rabbi Yoel D. Zeffren meets with a diverse group of local university-age students to learn *gemara*, *hashkafa* and *mussar*. This year the group has been learning *Meseches Brachos*.



## Weekly Parsha Shiur

Friday mornings after *shacharis*, Rabbi Yosef Prupas presents a stimulating *shiur* on *parshas hashavua*.



## Middle School Boys Summer Program

Each week Rabbi Meir Weiss and Rabbi Dani Epstein led a lively *Gemara* class over the summer. Stay tuned to hear what's in store this year.

On the Kollel's lower level, in the Reb Leib and Rachael Kohn Conference Room



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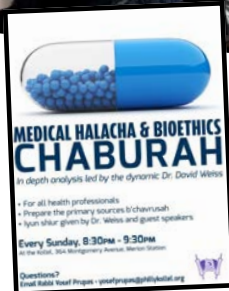
## *Dirshu Daf Yomi b'Halacha*

Join Jewish men around the globe attending a 30-minute daily *shiur* that covers a page a day. Rabbi Uri Greenspan leads this popular *shiur* which meets Sunday-Wednesday 8:25-9:00 p.m. Can't make the *shiur*? Join by Skype!



## *Daf Yomi*

Weeknights after *maariv*, Rabbi Sruli Schwartz gives a *Daf Yomi shiur*. The group has completed many *mesechtas*.



## *Weekly Gemara Shiur*

Rabbi Biberfeld's long-running *gemara shiur*, now learning *Meseches Yoma*, takes place at the Kollel on Thursday nights, 8:15-9:00 p.m.



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## Kollel Erev Weekly Chaburos

Dr. David Weiss and Dr. Ari Weintraub lead a weekly group that meets on Thursday nights, 9:00-10:00, to explore *Meseches Yoma* in depth. Join community members who say *chaburos* on a rotating basis.



## TCN Videoconferencing Shiurim

The Kollel is proud to host live broadcasts of well-known lectures from around the world, including Rabbi Frand's weekly *parsha shiur* Thursday evenings at 9:00 p.m. and Rabbi Yisroel Reisman's weekly *navi shiur* on *Motzaei Shabbos*. Periodical special lectures and conferences are broadcast as well, such as the popular Rabbi Frand *Teshuvah Drasha*. These *shiurim* are held in the R' Leib and Rachel Kohn Conference Room on our lower level. In addition the Kollel partners with Cong. Bnai Israel, 8201 Castor Avenue, in Northeast Philadelphia to show these broadcasts in their *shul* as well.



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## Sunday Morning Men's Program

Every Sunday, following 8:15 a.m. *shacharis* and a good breakfast of bagels and omelets by "Chef Levi," the *beis medrash* fills with men who choose to begin their week with serious Torah study. For the advanced learner, join the long-standing *Hilchos Yoreh Deah chabura* with the Rosh Kollel.



## Shabbos Programs

Every Shabbos, summer or winter, the Kollel does not take the weekend off. The *beis medrash* reverberates with the sound of learning from *chavrusa* partners or *shiurim* for all ages on various topics.



## Business Ethics

On Shabbos

afternoons during the summer, Rabbi Biberfeld leads a *shiur* on business ethics. This lively, interactive class explores thought-provoking professional ethical dilemmas within the framework of *halachic* discussion.

## Ramban on Chumash

Rabbi Yochanan Eskenazi's increasingly popular *shiur* on Ramban explores the depth of select pieces of this essential commentary on Chumash.

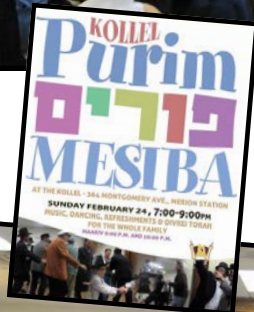
## Chaburas Chacham Leiv

After Shabbos morning kiddush, a group of young boys meet to learn *Hilchos Shabbos*. This special *shiur* encourages these boys to appreciate Shabbos as a day reserved for Torah learning by taking advantage of a time often overlooked.



## Purim Programs

Purim at the Kollel is quite busy as young boys and their fathers/mentors spend some precious time learning Torah at the *Yeshivas Mordechai Hatzaddik* Program, savoring the true spirit of the *yom tov*. Later that evening, the Kollel's *Purim Mesiba* with music, refreshments and *divrei Torah* helps complete the joyous day.



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## Women's Programming

The Kollel offers a variety of events exclusively for women, including our Annual Tea, highly acclaimed Annual Bake Sale, *Rosh Chodesh* Lectures, as well as a variety of special classes, lectures and programs throughout the year.

### *Annual Women's Tea*



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**MOTHER-DAUGHTER LEARNING PROGRAM**  
JOIN US FOR INTERACTIVE STUDY OF PIRKEI AVOS  
GIRLS GRADES 1-5

6 SESSIONS: JANUARY 5, 19, 26 and FEBRUARY 2, 9, 23  
10:00 AM - 11:15 AM AT THE UNION FIDELITY CLUB RESTAURANT

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## *Kesher Mother-Daughter Program*

Invest an hour on Sunday morning and change your week! This learning program for mothers and daughters grades 1-5, brings generations together in a beautiful atmosphere of bonding through learning. A stimulating curriculum based on Pirkei Avos, Ethics of our Fathers, is explored, followed by an interactive discussion and exciting art activity.

The program runs for six Sundays during January and February at the Union Fire Station Social Hall. Babysitting is available too!



## *Executive Learning Forum*

E.L.F., was started this year to offer Jewish executives the opportunity to get together for lunch once a month and hear a local executive present moral or ethical dilemmas they have encountered in their profession. The presentation is followed by the Torah's perspective on the subject, conveyed by Rabbi Yechiel Biberfeld. The presentations commonly prompt exciting debate and discussion. E.L.F. also affords its members the opportunity to network with other executives. E.L.F. is held at C+R Kitchen restaurant or local business offices.



## *Chanukah Mesiba*

The Kollel's Chanukah *mesiba* is always a big draw. A world-class speaker, refreshments by the Kollel Rebbetzins, and lively dancing create true Chanukah spirit. This year we hosted Rabbi Yerachmiel Milstein of Congregation Ishay Yisroel, Lakewood, NJ and of Project Inspire. The program ended with a spirited *kumzits*.



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## *Leil Hisorerus*

This year the Kollel held its sixth annual community-wide Evening of Inspiration. It was a special treat to hear Rabbi Menachem Feifer of Bayswater, N.Y. as he inspired the community with timely words before *Rosh Hashanah*.



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# Lectures Around the Year

The Kollel periodically offers *shiurim* and lectures by prominent rabbis. This year we hosted Rabbi Alex Schutz, Rabbi Shmuel Felder and many more. In addition, special video presentations and documentaries are shown throughout the year.





## Yeshivas Bein Hazemanim

The Kollel runs a *Yeshivas Bein Hazemanim* program for yeshiva and college boys home for *Sukkos* and *Pesach bein hazemanim*, intersession. Special *shiurim* on timely topics are delivered by prominent Rabbanim and *maggidei shiur*. Breakfast is provided to maximize the learning time. We even have a *sukkah*!



**Yeshivas Bein Hazemanim**  
At The Kollel  
Your Yeshiva Away From Yeshiva!  
Shiurim will be given by prominent RABBANIM and MAGGIDEI SHIUR

**Breakfast served daily!**

Students will be given an all inclusive lunch from Yeshiva that serves a minimum of 15 hours during the duration of Yeshivas Bein Hazemanim. Choose between one of the following sets of shiurim:

**Sukkah Available Throughout Yom Tov**

Sunday, September 15  
Monday, September 16  
Tuesday, September 17  
**Chel Hamoad**  
Sunday, September 22  
Monday, September 23  
Tuesday, September 24

**Shacharis 8:00 a.m.**  
**Moshe: 2:30 p.m.**  
Philadelphia Community Kollel  
Philadelphia, PA

For sponsorships or more information, please call 877-265-5555 or 610-567-2000



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## *Annual Lecture*

Every spring, the Kollel's Annual Lecture draws a large crowd to hear from world- renowned speakers like Rabbis Frand, Spero, Feldman, Wein, Weinberger, Krohn and most recently, Rabbi Avrohom Schorr.



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## Boy's Masmid Program

Join the crowd at our popular and exciting *Motzaei Shabbos Masmid Program*. Young boys come to learn with fathers, grandfathers and mentors, and enjoy stories, raffle prizes and pizza! We also have other special youth programming throughout the year, such as on Purim and Legal Holidays.



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# MAS MID END OF YEAR BANQUET

**Program Schedule**

- 6:00PM Banquet program begins. Light and get your coffee fix.
- 6:30PM Kiddie Time! A special program for all ages with fun games and prizes. Prizes will be given to the winners of the Kiddie Time contest.
- 6:45PM All kids with songs, dances, and games. Prizes will be given to the winners of the Kiddie Time contest.
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- 12:00PM Kiddie Time! A special program for all ages with fun games and prizes. Prizes will be given to the winners of the Kiddie Time contest.

**Parents, mentors, and kids welcome!**

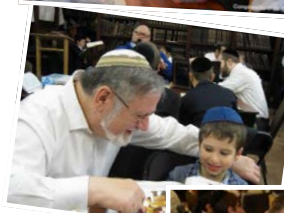
Cost: \$10 per person.

Free food and drink will be provided for all guests.

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Come celebrate another fabulous year of Mas Mid Year Banquet at our annual event and all your Mas Mid Year Banquet!

**Sunday Evening, March 2nd 6:45-7:00PM**  
8700 South St. Academy Social Hall  
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## Kollel Schedule

The Kollel schedule is chock-full of learning opportunities for young and old, men and women, advanced, intermediate or beginners, for Jews of all affiliations. To explore the options that are right for you, contact the Kollel office today at 610.668.9557 or at [office@phillykollel.org](mailto:office@phillykollel.org). For online information, explore the programs or schedule tabs at [www.phillykollel.org](http://www.phillykollel.org).

## Audio Video Lending Library

The Kollel's Audio-Video lending library has grown to a significant collection of cassettes, CD's, and DVD's containing the words of some of the world's greatest Torah teachers. Take advantage of the few extra minutes in the car, office, or at home by listening to these *shiurim*. The tape library is located in the Reb Leib and Rachel Kohn, z"l, Conference Room.

## Schedule of Shiurim

All programs are held at the Kollel unless listed otherwise.

### Daily Kollel Boker

Shacharis  
Chumash Learning

(weekdays only - At Kollel South-Astoria, 10 East Montgomery)  
6:15am (M-F) 6:25am (M-F)  
7:00am - 7:45am

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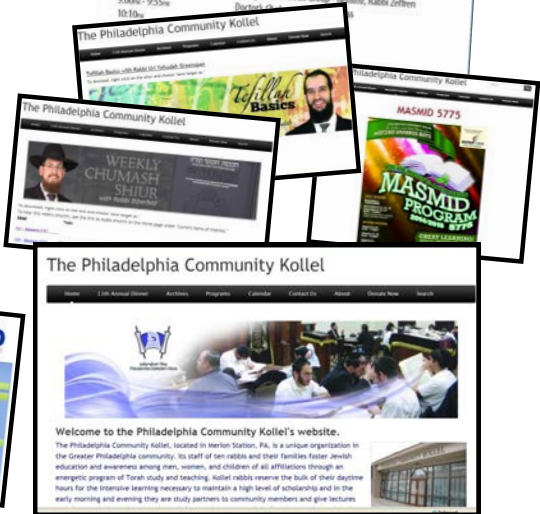
## Kollel Publications

We hope you have enjoyed and have been inspired by our Kollel publications; newsletters, the weekly Menucha Vesimcha and our weekly email, Kollel Update. Recently we have added, Keystone our full-color annual brochure.



## phillykollel.org

The Kollel's website spreads Torah into cyberspace! We offer over 500 audio *shiurim* that can be heard and downloaded 24/6 under our archives tab. Available lectures include our regular *shiurim* in *halacha* and *gemara* as well as periodic classes such as the women's *Rosh Chodesh shiurim* and special lectures around the Jewish calendar. In addition, archives of hundreds of past classes and even videos of past events with world-renowned speakers can be accessed. Join hundreds of listeners around the globe who plug into Torah through our website. Also included on the site is a special programs tab, a page for the latest Masmid Program news, sign-up forms, contact information, a staff page and archives of past Kollel publications.



With gratitude to our esteemed

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Thank you for the tireless efforts you invest in building the Kollel into a true *makom Torah*. Your time, resources, and professional expertise continue to facilitate our *harbotzas Torah* to the Greater Philadelphia community.

May Hashem bless you with personal success, spiritual growth, and the ability to continue in your holy work on behalf of all of us.

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*and the Kollel Families*



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We apologize for any omissions.



In recognition of our esteemed

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We thank you for your continuous support.

*Rabbi Yechiel Biberfeld, Rosh Kollel*

*Rabbi Yoel Dovid Zeffren, Assistant Rosh Kollel*



*Yasher koach* to our  
Associate Director  
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For all your  
hard work  
on behalf of  
the Kollel.

*Rabbi Biberfeld*  
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*(November 3rd)*

**Gary Erlbaum, Jon Erlbaum**

*(December 10th)*



**E.L.F.**

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Thank you to our  
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R' Yirmiyohu - *gabbai sheini*  
R' Abba Rosenthal  
and  
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R' Shmuel Dov  
R' Daniel Chaim

For all your efforts every *Shabbos*.

וכל מי שעוסקים בצרכי ציבור באמונה הקב"ה ישלם שכרם...

In honor of a group of very special  
women whose מסירות נפש for Torah  
is evident every day  
and appreciated very much...

**Our *n'shei chayil***

*We thank you,*

*Rabbi Yechiel Biberfeld*  
*Rabbi Yoel Dovid Zeffren*  
*Rabbi Avraham Baum*  
*Rabbi Yirmiyohu Bauminger*  
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In recognition of this year's

## Table Hosts

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Howard and Nancy Haber  
Allan and Sandy Jacob  
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Michael and Lisa Wachs  
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Thank you so much  
for your support!

The Philadelphia Community Kollel  
is grateful to  
**R' Moshe Starkman**

for teaching Torah  
to the boys of the Kollel families  
and the community.

Weeknights and *Motzaei Shabbosos*,  
he invests time and energy  
into enriching their *limudim*.

May the *zechusim* of those words  
of Torah serve to merit  
him and his family.

The Kollel expresses its appreciation  
to the Dinner Committee.

Through your hard work, dedication  
and persistence, you have helped make  
this year's dinner a great success!

*Dr. David and Mrs. Henchy Abraham*  
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Boris Kalandar  
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to  
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you do through the Kollel.

ישלם ה' פעלך ותהא משכרתך שלמה מעם ה'



A special thank you  
to our secretary,  
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for her tremendous devotion to the  
Kollel and the Torah it stands for.

May you be repaid manifold  
with *brochos* reserved for those  
who support the Torah.

*Rabbi Yechiel Biberfeld*  
*Rabbi Yoel D. Zeffren*



# Our Honorees

Over two decades ago, the Gessermans, who originally met in Philadelphia, moved to Lower Merion from Ann Arbor, Michigan, where their three children, Yoni, Aron, and Leah were born. Barry began a successful career in brand management, holding senior executive marketing positions in major national companies including Campbell Soup, Empire Kosher Poultry and others. Today he runs his own consulting firm for marketing and business strategy. In 1992 they settled in the Wynnewood community and have been mainstays there ever since. Barry has consistently served on the Congregation Beth Hamedrosh Board of Directors, and he was the president at the critical time of the shul's transition to its new home. Barry started learning *daf yomi* with Rabbi Shlomo Caplan and continues with Rabbi Yonah Gross, on his way to completing his third cycle. When the Kollel opened its doors almost 15 years ago, Barry

understood the tremendous impact such an institution could have on the community, and he has attended many Kollel events to spur on his own learning and personal growth. Currently he attends the Rosh Kollel's Sunday morning advanced *halacha shiur* and supports the Kollel's Executive Learning Forum (E.L.F.). Miriam, who holds a Masters in Social Work and worked in the field for many years, has been on the administrative staff at the Talmudical Yeshiva of Philadelphia since 2009. She has spent all her years in Lower Merion involved in communal affairs, helping the local day schools and shuls and volunteering for Kollel functions. Together they raised their three wonderful children, who are now grown with families of their own, perpetuating the legacy of Torah and *chesed* that their parents ably demonstrate. It is a distinct pleasure to honor Barry and Miriam at this year's annual dinner.





The Philadelphia Community Kollel is proud to honor  
**Mr. and Mrs. Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
as Guests of Honor.

Enthusiastic Kollel advocates, Barry and Miriam provide a model for devoted service to the *klal*. Their loyalty and dedication to family, friends and community inspire those around them, and their genuineness, positivity and good cheer endear them to all.

May Hashem bless them with *nachas* from their beautiful family and *doros yeshorim u'mevorachim*.

Although relative newcomers to the community, Chava and Andrew, New Yorkers who also first met in Philadelphia, wasted no time in making new friends and getting involved. Chava was a principal in the successful Mikvah fundraiser, and she is a volunteer at Torah Academy; Andrew began learning regularly in the Kollel, specifically at the weekly Doc's chabura led by Dr. David Weiss. Unquestionably, the favorite time

of the week for Andrew and his son Eitan is the Kollel's Motzaei Shabbos Masmid Program. The special father-son learning time is truly a highlight. While Andrew is busy practicing pulmonary and critical medicine at University of Pennsylvania, Chava devotes her time to Eitan Chaim, Yakirah Ita and Adir Tzvi. The Kollel is pleased to recognize their efforts to make our community even stronger at its 14th Annual Dinner.



The Philadelphia Community Kollel is proud to recognize  
**Dr. and Mrs. Andrew and Chava Paris**  
with the Young Leadership Award.

They have willingly gotten involved in Kollel programs and shared their excitement throughout the Lower Merion community. Across the spectrum of Torah institutions, Andrew and Chava dedicate time and energy into building onto that which has preceded them.

May their energy and enthusiasm  
continue to bring them opportunities  
to grow themselves and those around them.

# League of Honor

## *1st Annual Dinner*

Rabbi Israel M. Axelrod

*Guest of Honor*

Dr. and Mrs. Michael and Ellen Braffman

*Keser Shem Tov Awardees*

Mr. Kevin Ross

*Chaver Tov Awardee*

## *2nd Annual Dinner*

Mr. David Lebor and Dr. Talia Eisenstein Lebor

*Guests of Honor*

Dr. and Mrs. Gary and Andrea Diamond

*Keser Shem Tov Awardees*

Mr. and Mrs. Jonathan and Rachel Kops

*Chaver Tov Awardees*

## *3rd Annual Dinner*

Mr. and Mrs. Stan and Jillyan Sved

*Guests of Honor*

Drs. Gary and Ruth Feldman

*Keser Shem Tov Awardees*

Mr. Evan Aidman and Mrs. Ayala Ballonoff Aidman

*Chaver Tov Awardees*

## *4th Annual Dinner*

Mr. and Mrs. Naphtali and Hanna Perlberger

*Guests of Honor*

Mr. and Mrs. Marc and Debbi Frankel

*Keser Shem Tov Awardees*

Dr. and Mrs. Ira and Julia Strassman

*Chaver Tov Awardees*

## *5th Annual Dinner*

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman and Susan Frager

*Guests of Honor*

Mr. and Mrs. David and Tanya Libesman

*Amudei Hatorah Awardees*

## *6th Annual Dinner*

Dr. and Mrs. Joel and Joan Betesh

*Guests of Honor*

Dr. and Mrs. Daniel and Janet Eisenberg

*Eitz Chaim Awardees*



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## *7th Annual Dinner*

Mr. and Mrs. Russell and Cathy Lyons

*Guests of Honor*

Dr. and Mrs. Leonard and Mila Ladenheim

*Lev Tov Awardees*

## *8th Annual Dinner*

Mr. and Mrs. Erwin and Rochelle Nosenchuk

*Guests of Honor*

Mr. and Mrs. Sid and Susan Laytin

*Bonei Torah Awardees*

Rabbi Peysi Adlerstein and Dr. Jonathan Friedman

*Chavrusas of the Year*

## *9th Annual Dinner*

Drs. Jay and Mindy Rosenblum

*Guests of Honor*

Rabbi Chesky Weiss and Mr. David Kosloff

*Chavrusas of the Year*

## *10th Annual Dinner*

Drs. Len and Gilya Freedman

*Guests of Honor*

Rabbi and Mrs. Uri and Sarah Leah Greenspan

*Harbotzas Torah Awardees*

## *11th Annual Dinner*

Dr. Leon and Tova Wertheimer

*Guests of Honor*

Rabbi Yaakov Deutscher and Jonathan and Jed Zaslow

*Chavrusas of the Year*

## *12th Annual Dinner*

Rabbi and Mrs. Aaron and Esther Gold

*Guests of Honor*

Dr. and Mrs. Bobby and Galitte Den

*Young Leadership Awardees*

## *13th Annual Dinner*

Mr. and Mrs. Elliot and Amy Holtz

*Guests of Honor*

Mr. and Mrs. Avi and Julie Zohar

*Young Leadership Awardees*





# Tributes





To the  
Rosh Kollel,  
Rabbi Biberfeld

Assistant Rosh Kollel,  
Rabbi Zeffren

and all the  
*rebbeim* of the  
Philadelphia Community Kollel  
and their families.

Thank you for all you have  
brought to our community.

עץ חיים היא למחזיקים בה ותומכיה מאושר

*Ted and Phyllis Kosloff*

Diamond Builder





Heartfelt love and  
admiration for our children  
**Rabbi Yechiel and Rachael Biberfeld**

We are so proud of you both for the  
spectacular work you do for the Kollel  
and your *kehilla* every single day.

May you continue to inspire us all.

*Mommy and Daddy*

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Our family is delighted to honor the holy and important work of the Philadelphia Kollel.

We are thankful to all of the  
**Kollel Rabbis**  
for their efforts.

May Hashem strengthen each and every one of you in your efforts to bring Torah to our community.

We are especially grateful to  
**Rabbi Biberfeld and Rabbi Zeffren**  
for their commitment to lift our community higher still with their Torah learning.

*Kol hakavod,  
Michael, Lisa, Adam  
and Danielle Wachs*

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In honor of  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
and  
**Andrew and Chava Paris**

upon their receiving the Guests of Honor  
and the Young Leadership Awards.

Your commitment to the sustenance  
of the Jewish People is admirable.

May the Kollel have continued success in its  
vital mission of spreading Torah to all Jews.

*Dr. Herbert and Irina Caskey*



We are forever grateful for the Torah learning  
that the Kollel brings to our community.

*Yasher koach*

for the success and achievements of

**Mr. and Mrs. Barry and Miriam Gesserman  
and**

**Dr. and Mrs. Andrew and Chava Paris**

*Jennifer and Michael Willner*

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In honor of  
our dear friends  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**

Models of kindness, sincerity,  
selflessness and *chesed*.

We are grateful for the special friendship  
our families have shared since our first  
fateful Shabbos together many years ago.

In honor of  
**Rabbi and Mrs. Yechiel Biberfeld**  
**Rabbi and Mrs. Yoel Dovid Zeffren**  
and all the **Kollel Yungeleit** and their families

בכבוד רב והכרת הטוב לראש כולל ולכל האברכים  
וברגשי חיבה עמוקים לכל משפחותם

Wishing you continued  
*bracha v'hatzlacha* in your *avodas hakodesh*.

*Cheryl Epstein and Family*

In honor of this evening's honorees  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman,  
Andrew and Chava Paris**

Thank you for all you  
do for the community.

Thank you to the Kollel for  
being a bastion of Torah and strength,  
a place where all who come through your  
doors are made to feel comfortable.

Special recognition to my long-time  
*chavrusa* **Rabbi Yaakov Deutscher.**

*Howard and Nancy Haber*

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*Mazel tov* to all the honorees.

To our dear children  
**Chava and Andrew -**

We are proud and blessed to  
celebrate your well-deserved award.

We watched you grow and mature from  
children to adults. As adults you have shown  
yourselves to be caring and active participants  
in growing Torah institutions.

We wish you continued health and  
happiness as you strengthen the community  
and guide your children to a love of Torah.

*Barbara and Peter Paris*  
*Kathryn and Robin Resnick*

*Mazel tov* to the  
**Gessermans**

*Mazel tov* to the **Paris'**

*Kol hakavod* to all the Kollel and  
all their families for all they do  
and continue to do.

A special *mazel tov* to  
**Bubbe and Zayda**  
50 years

*All the Greenes*

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*Kol hakavod* to  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
on your decades of contribution to our  
community's many Torah institutions.

*Mazel tov* to  
**Dr. and Mrs. Paris**

May the  
Philadelphia Community Kollel  
continue to flourish.

*Ira and Julia Strassman*



*Mazel tov* to the honorees  
our dear friends  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**

and our new friends,  
**Andrew and Chava Paris**

Thank you for your support of the Kollel  
and for all that you do for our community.

*Yasher koach* and *hakaras hatov* to the  
Roshei Kollel and *yungeleit* and their families  
for elevating the Torah in our community and  
helping so many of us to grow in its ways.

May Hashem continue to look  
favorably on you and your efforts.

*Sid and Susan Laytin*

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It is a tremendous *zechus* to be included in the  
Philadelphia Community Kollel family

With *hakaras hatov* to the amazing  
leadership and guidance of  
**Rabbi Yechiel Biberfeld and**  
**Rabbi Yoel Zeffren**

We pay tribute to tonight's devoted honorees  
**Mr. and Mrs. Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
**and Dr. and Mrs. Andrew and Chava Paris**  
and  
in honor of our dear children  
**Rabbi Menashe and Mrs. Amanda Benedict**  
whom we are so very proud of.

*Debbie and Hesh Granek and Families*

לעילוי נשמת  
עזריאל דוד בן מרדכי יצחק זצ"ל  
Dr. David Epstein z"l

מן הראשונים בכל דבר שבקדושה  
מסר נפשו על קיום הכולל מיום היוסדו  
בין כותליה יפקד מקומו  
ויזכרו לעד חסדי דוד הנאמנים

*Cheryl Epstein*  
*Ranon and Yael Cortell, Tamar Epstein*  
*Dov Yitzchak and Baila Epstein,*  
*Daniel Chaim Epstein*  
*Chaim Dov and Chavi Goldschmidt*



In honor of  
the Kollel, its *rebbeim*,  
and tonight's worthy honorees.  
Thank you for all you mean to our community.

*The Arthur and Gail Morgenstern Foundation*  
*Jon and Allison Morgenstern*

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*Mazel tov* to the  
outstanding honorees  
**Miriam and Barry Gesserman**  
and  
**Chava and Andrew Paris**

*Yasher koach* to the Kollel  
for spreading the light of Torah  
to our family and to our community.

*Vicki and Gary Erlbaum*  
*and Family*

In honor of  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
Good friends, wonderful people

Our best wishes to  
**Rabbi and Rebbetzin Biberfeld**  
**Rabbi and Rebbetzin Zeffren**  
**Rabbi Prupas**

And all the Kollel families

Thank you for all the  
spirituality you provide.

*Richie and Andrea Gottlieb*

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Mentortech  
salutes the work of the  
Philadelphia Community Kollel  
for promoting Jewish values to all.

In honor of  
**Mr. and Mrs. Barry Gesserman**  
and **Dr. and Mrs. Andrew Paris**  
for their contribution to the  
Kollel and the community.

*Boris Kalandar ~ Michael Aronson*

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*Mazel tov* to all the honorees and to the  
Kollel for all they do for our community.

With deep personal gratitude to  
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and **Rabbi Yosef Prupas.**

*Israel and Inna Pendrak*

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*Mazel tov* to our dear friends  
**Miriam and Barry Gesserman**

*Yasher koach* for all you  
do in the community.

May you go *m'chayil l'chayil*

*Sherman and Susan Frager*

In honor of  
**Mr. and Mrs. Ted Kosloff**

*Fruchthandler Family*

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Thank you to  
David and Cyndilee  
Ian and Rachel  
Alex and Abby

Your support makes all  
we do so much better.

*We love you,  
Mom and Dad*

In honor of  
**Mr. and Mrs. Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
and  
**Dr. and Mrs. Andrew and Chava Paris**

*Kol hakavod* and thank you  
for all that you do for the  
Philadelphia Community Kollel.

*Ted and Phyllis Kosloff*

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In honor of our special Kollel wives who are the  
bedrock and support behind all that goes on.

Rebbetzin Rachael Biberfeld  
Rebbetzin Shayna Malka Zeffren

Mrs. Mindy Baum

Mrs. Liba Bauminger

Mrs. Amanda Benedict

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Mrs. Yitty Lichtman

Mrs. Chaya Ludzker

Mrs. Faigy Prupas

Mrs. Lea Schechter

Mrs. Suri Sussman

Mrs. Aviva Weiss

Thank you for your friendship.

*With gratitude and appreciation,  
Ted and Phyllis Kosloff*

*Mazel tov* to all the honorees!  
Much *hatzlacha* to the Kollel.

Congratulations to  
**Menashe and Amanda Benedict!**  
May you have much success!

*Daniel and Raize Benedict*

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*Mazel tov*  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**

and

Thank you to  
**Rabbi Biberfeld, Rabbi Zeffren,  
Rabbi Greenspan, Rabbi Prupas**

*Marty and Sheri Friedman*

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For my beloved wife:  
Thank you, Rachael!!  
Your support of Torah study is incredible.  
If I can live up to being even half the man  
you enable me to be, we will have  
accomplished a great many things.

For the Kollel:  
A road with no destination is not worth traveling.  
But to reach a place of Torah excellence, such as the  
Philadelphia Community Kollel, it is worth every  
effort and expense necessary. May it be the will  
of Hashem that I, and others, go from strength  
to strength in support of the Kollel!

For the children, the “super *masmidim*:”  
To praise your commitment to learning Torah and  
character development would imply that I can  
understand your greatness. May you always be  
inspired and I wish for each and every one of you to  
be successful in your learning and *avodas Hashem*.

*Moshe*



In honor and appreciation of  
**Miriam and Barry Gesserman**  
and  
**Chava and Andrew Paris**

for their exceptional efforts  
on behalf of the community.

*Ruthie and Abba Krieger and Family*

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In honor of  
**Rabbi Biberfeld**

and all the amazing work that  
he and the Kollel do for  
our community!

*Rebecca and Ari Adlerstein*

In honor of all those  
who learn at the  
Kollel and all those  
who teach at the Kollel.

*Talia and David*

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*Kol hakavod* to our honorees  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
**Andrew and Chava Paris**

May Hashem bless you and give  
you strength to continue working  
for our community.

With deep respect,  
*David and Cyndi Kosloff*

To our dear friends  
**Andrew and Chava,**

*Mazel tov* on your wonderful honor.  
Thank you for all the *chesed* that you do for  
our schools, community, and the Kollel.

We cherish your friendship and are  
constantly amazed by your involvement  
and commitment to strengthening  
the values of Torah.

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Kollel for enriching our lives through lectures,  
*shiurim*, *chaburas*, Masmid program and  
relationships with the Kollel families.

*Bobby and Galitte Den*

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*Mazel tov* to the  
**Gessermans and Paris'**

Thank you to  
**Rabbis Biberfeld, Zeffren and Prupas**  
for their leadership and the growth  
they bring to our community.

*Amy and Elliot Holtz*  
*Adam, Will and Julia*

With admiration and  
gratitude to our Guests of Honor

**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**

for all they do for the community.

*Mindy and Jay Rosenblum*

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It is our distinct pleasure  
to wish *mazel tov* to  
**Mr. and Mrs. Barry Gesserman**  
**Dr. and Mrs. Andrew Paris**

for their commitment  
to Torah and the Kollel.

Much *hakaras hatov* to my *chavrusa*  
**Rabbi Yosef Prupas**

for his warmth and  
dedication to our learning.

Wishing the Kollel much *hatzlacha!*

*Jordan and Susan Hullman*

*Yasher koach* to the honorees  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
**Andrew and Chava Paris**

on this well-deserved honor  
for your commitment to the Kollel  
and to the community.

With much appreciation  
to the Roshei Kollel, *yungeleit*  
and their families for their  
dedication to learning and teaching,  
and for their dedication to our community.

May you all go from strength to strength.

*Sanford and Margery Bruck*

Hearty *mazel tov* to the  
**Gesserman and Paris families**  
on being honored this evening.

Your participation adds to the  
growth and vitality of your  
beautiful community.

*Allan and Sandy Jacob*

*Mazel tov* to our dear friends  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman!**

*Mazel tov* to  
**Andrew and Chava Paris**

*Franklin and Nancy Strong*

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In honor of  
**Dr. Allan and Sandra Jacob**

*Judy and Michael Levine*

*Mazel tov!*  
**Barry and Miriam**

So well-deserved by two of the  
finest people in our community-  
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*Yasher koach* and continued *hatzlacha* to  
Roshei Kollel, **Rabbis Biberfeld and Zeffren!**

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and to my dear nephew and family

**Rabbi and Mrs. Yechiel  
and Rachael Biberfeld**

*Moishe and Chanie Mandel*

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*Yasher koach* to  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
on this well-deserved recognition.  
May you continue to support Torah and  
*Yiddishkeit* and see much *nachas* from your  
children and grandchildren.

*Hakaras hatov* to all the *Rabbanim* and  
*yungeleit* of our Kollel who enhance  
our families and community  
in so many ways.

*Marc and Debbi Frankel*

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BARRY AND MIRIAM GESSERMAN!  
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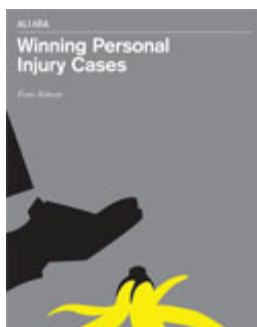
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as *bein adam lechavero*.

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*Mazel tov* to  
tonight's deserving honorees  
**Mr. and Mrs. Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
**Dr. and Mrs. Andrew and Chava Paris**

for your dedication to learning Torah  
and to your support of the Kollel.

May the Kollel continue to shine  
their light of Torah in our community.

*Daniel and Amy Erlbaum*

In honor of  
**Reb Yechiel and Rachael Biberfeld**  
Continued *hatzlacha* in your  
*avodas hakodesh* in Philadelphia.

Best wishes to our nephew and niece  
**R' Yerachmiel and Yitty Lichtman**

*Nochum and Dena Aber*

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*Mazel tov* to  
Mr. and Mrs. Barry and Miriam Gesserman  
and  
Dr. and Mrs. Andrew and Chava Paris

*Yasher koach* to  
Rabbi Biberfeld, Rabbi Zeffren  
and all of the dedicated Kollel members  
for infusing our community with  
Torah and *ruchniyus*.

May Hashem grant you and your families  
good health, *parnassah*, and  
much *bracha* always.

*Ben and Malka Liebman*

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the Philadelphia Community Kollel  
and the Honorees  
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for all that you have done to  
support our community



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Rabbi Biberfeld, Rabbi Zeffren

and all of the Kollel *yungeleit*  
much *bracha v'hatzlacha* in all that  
they do for the community.

*Chaim and Rebecca Schreck*

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*Mazel tov* to the  
**Kollel**  
on this delightful celebration.

Special thanks to our teacher  
**Rabbi Yosef Prupas**  
for his wisdom and warmth.

*Hans Greenberg*  
*Sherry Shapiro*

*Mazel tov* to the honorees

**Mr. and Mrs. Barry Gesserman**  
**Dr. and Mrs. Andrew Paris**

With gratitude to the Kollel *rebbeim*,  
especially **Rabbi and Mrs. Biberfeld**  
and **Rabbi and Mrs. Zeffren**, for all  
your hard work and dedication.

*David and Debbie Popper*

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*Mazel tov* to the honorees.  
May you go from strength to strength.

Continued success to the Kollel.  
You make our community greater each year.

*Richie and Janis Fine*

*Mazel tov* to the honorees,  
an honor well-deserved.

Also, in appreciation to  
**Rabbi Biberfeld and Rabbi Zeffren,**  
my *chavrusa* **Rabbi Prupas,** and the rest of  
the Kollel Rabbis for making the Kollel  
such a wonderful place to learn.

*The Cohen Family, Norman and Chana Cohen,  
Ari and Ayden Tzofia Cohen, Sarah Sasha and  
Naomi Ruth Cohen, Samuel and Tara Goldstein,  
Basya, Benny, Lily-fay, and Shalev Goldstein*

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In honor of  
**Miriam and Barry**

*The Twersky Family*

*Kol hakavod* to the honorees  
and two very special people,  
**Andrew and Chava Paris**

on this well-deserved honor!

Your efforts and dedication to the  
Kollel and the community are evident  
in all that you do. We are lucky to  
have you as friends!

*Herschel and Dana Kupfer  
and Family*

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*Mazel tov* to the Philadelphia Kollel  
for all of the great work they  
do for our community!

*Alex and Esther Schwartz*

*Mazel tov* to our dear parents and  
grandparents, **Imma and Abba**,  
on this well-deserved honor.

Your devotion and sacrifice for  
Torah study in the community serves  
as an example for us all. We are  
so proud of all that you have  
accomplished in your  
years in Philadelphia.

May Hashem grant you good health  
and strength to continue your many  
acts of *chesed* in the community.

*Love,*  
*Yoni and Adina, Aron and Rivkah,*  
*Hillel and Leah*  
*Nosson, Rochel, Sari, and Ahuva*

*Mazel tov* to  
**Barry and Miriam**

and to  
**Andrew and Chava**

May you go from strength to strength!

*Scott and Sharon Seligsohn and Family*

With deep appreciation to  
The Rosh Kollel, **Rabbi Yechiel Biberfeld**,  
The Assistant Rosh Kollel,  
**Rabbi Yoel Dovid Zeffren**,  
The Director of Community Programming,  
**Rabbi Yosef Prupas**,  
The *yungeleit* who toil in  
Torah daily and their families,  
**Mr. Sid Laytin**, President,  
and the **Board of Directors**,  
for your sustained effort,  
enthusiasm and dedication  
to making our community  
a stronger *makom Torah*.

*Mazel tov* to  
**Dr. Andrew and Chava Paris**

*Barry and Miriam Gesserman*

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In honor of  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**

Your service and devotion to the Jewish community is an example for all. From our days of volunteer work for Torah Academy to the needs of our expanding community, both of you are always there to help and serve. It is our honor to attend this dinner and express appreciation for all that you have done for the *kehilla* and the Kollel. May Hashem reward your *chesed* in full measure.

*Bracha and Ephraim Goldfein*

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**Mazel tov to the honorees!**

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*Mazel tov* to  
**Andrew and Chava**  
on this wonderful and well-deserved honor!

May Hashem grant you much continued  
success, *bracha*, and *hatzlacha*.

Thank you and *yasher koach* to the  
entire Kollel for helping to inspire  
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*Mazel tov and kol hakavod*  
to the honorees  
on this well-deserved honor!

Much *hatzlacha* to the Kollel,  
to **Rabbi Biberfeld**  
and **Rabbi Zeffren**,  
and to their remarkable  
Rebbitzens **Rachael and**  
**Shayna Malka...**  
may their dynamic work  
and love for Torah and our  
community keep them going  
from strength to strength!!

*With love,*  
*Chaya and Russell Lyons*  
*and Family*

*Mazel tov*  
to our dear friends  
and tonight's Guests of Honor  
**Miriam and Barry Gesserman**  
who have done so much for our  
community organizations.

*Mazel tov*  
**Andrew and Chava Paris**  
on receiving the Young Leadership Award.

Thank you to the  
Philadelphia Community Kollel  
for being an important part  
of our community.

*Gail and Gary Cantor*

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*Mazel tov to*  
**Chava and Andrew Paris**

Looking forward to your continued  
involvement in the community.

*Sherman and Susan Frager*

With gratitude to Hashem for all our *brachas*,  
a *yasher koach* to this year's honorees,  
**the Gessermans and the Paris'**

Special thanks to **Rabbi Biberfeld,**  
**Rabbi Zeffren and Rabbi Prupas** for  
another successful year of spreading Torah  
learning throughout the community.

May we go from strength to strength.

*Helena and Bruce Greiff*

In honor of the  
Rosh Kollel and his Rebbetzin  
Rabbi and Mrs. Yechiel Biberfeld

*Bezalel Lerner*

מזל טוב

to the deserving honorees,  
who lead by example

**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
**Andrew and Chava Paris**

הכרת הטוב to the Kollel and to  
**Rabbi and Mrs. Yechiel Biberfeld**  
**Rabbi and Mrs. Yoel Dovid Zeffren**  
for your devotion to our community.

And to the Dinner Committee for creating  
a wonderful evening בעזרת ה'.

*Joan and Joel Betesh*

In honor of  
Ted and Phyllis

Your extraordinary devotion to the Kollel  
and to *yiddishkeit* in the Philadelphia  
community is an inspiration  
and standard for us all.

May you be blessed from the Source of  
all blessings with the special rewards reserved  
for the עוסקים בצרכי צבור באמונה.

*With love and admiration,  
Avrohom and Elisheva Yavneh and Family*

Congratulations to  
old friends  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**

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to the **Paris and Gesserman Families**  
on your well-deserved awards.

*Yasher koach* to the Kollel Rabbis  
and their families for strengthening  
our community with Torah learning.

*Miles, Adina, Rivka Sara,  
Meir Yosef, and Ettie Frayda Spiller*

*Mazel tov* to the  
honorees  
and to the Kollel  
on another year of  
לימוד והרבצת התורה

יישר כחך  
to my *chavrusa*  
Reb Yoel Dovid

*Ezra and Susan Wohlgelernter*

Dear **Rabbi Biberfeld**,

I'm grateful that I live in a town  
which is privileged to host the Kollel, and  
I'm grateful for all your hard work, and the  
hard work of **Rabbi Zeffren, Rabbi Prupas**, and  
all the *yungeleit*, and for the warm reception I  
always get when I step in the door.

*Howard Okrent*

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*Mazel tov to*  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
who have given of their time and effort  
on behalf of the Greater Philadelphia  
Jewish Community and whose  
children follow in their footsteps.

*With gratitude,  
Hal and Sue Gordon*

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**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
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*Mazel tov*  
to our fellow participant  
**Barry Gesserman**  
on this evening's honor.

Every Sunday we begin our week together  
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**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
and  
**Andrew and Chava Paris**

*Mazel tov* to the Kollel on another  
year of spreading Torah to the community.

*Peysi and Malky Adlerstein*

*Mazel tov*  
to the esteemed  
honorees

*Karen and Herb Berkowitz*

Congratulations to the  
**Philadelphia Community Kollel**

on another successful year  
of spreading Torah  
in the community.

May you go from strength to strength.

*Best wishes,  
The Fishoff Family Foundation*

Barry and Miriam,

You are worthy honorees for the Kollel Dinner. Both of you support numerous Torah institutions within and outside the community. Barry loves learning. He attends many *shiurim* at the Kollel and at Congregation Beth Hamedrosh. As a participant in *Daf Yomi* and in other *shiurim*, Barry asks excellent questions to clarify the concepts being taught- not only for himself, but for the other individuals also. As a person who is involved daily in the world of work, Barry is a role model for all of us. He allots time each day to study Torah. Miriam encourages Barry to learn. The importance the Gessermans place upon learning has been transmitted to their children. It is a family united in a bond of Torah education.

*Max and Gale Bienstock*

Greetings

*from*  
*Jacob and Devorah Weinreb*

*Hatzlacha and bracha*  
to our  
Guests of Honor  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**

You exemplify the definition  
of commitment and dedication  
to Torah learning and Torah living.

*Hatzlacha and bracha* to  
**Andrew and Chava Paris**

As recipients of the Young Leadership Award,  
they too exemplify commitment and  
dedication to Torah learning and Torah living.

*Erwin and Rochelle Nosenchuk and Family*



In honor of dear friends  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**

and to  
**Dr. and Mrs. Andrew Paris**

Caring and devoted people  
who build community.

*Mazel tov* to the  
**Philadelphia Community Kollel**  
its *rebbeim* and wives, for continuing  
to spread the light of Torah to all of us.

*David and Rachel Levin*

*Mazel tov*  
to the Guests of Honor and dear friends  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**

In honor of the  
**Roshei Kollel**  
and all the Kollel “Family”

With appreciation for all you  
do to nurture and enhance  
Torah learning in the community.

*Suri Rabinovici*

In honor of  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**

We value and appreciate your devoted  
attendance at Kollel *shiurim* and programs,  
your visionary advice, and  
your loyal friendship.

May we continue to be able to  
share learning and שמחות together!

*Rabbi Yechiel and Rachael Biberfeld*

*Mazel tov to*  
**Dr. Andrew and Chava Paris**  
on this exciting honor.

It has been a pleasure working together  
building our wonderful community.  
Your enthusiasm for learning Torah  
inspires your peers.

You have stepped up to support the  
Kollel and other worthy institutions,  
and that moves others to grow as well.

May you go מחיל אל חיל.

*Rabbi Yechiel and Rachael Biberfeld*

*Mazel tov* to our friends,  
**Mr. and Mrs. Barry Gesserman and  
Dr. and Mrs. Andrew Paris**  
on this worthy honor!

In honor of the **Roshei Kollel**  
and the *yungeleit* and their families,  
in appreciation for all they do  
to enrich our community.

*Chesky and Aviva Weiss*

To our beloved Kollel Rabbis:  
Thank you for your dedication,  
support and guidance.

We truly appreciate all that you do  
for our family and the community.

We are blessed to have such a wonderful and  
special place to learn and share Torah.

Looking forward to another great year!

*The Sherbys*

*B"H*

In honor of our friends  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**

*Mazel tov* and best wishes.

Your continuous dedication, commitment,  
and outstanding sense of community is truly  
admirable. May you have continued  
*hatzlacha* in all your efforts and  
enjoy much *yiddishe nachas* from  
your children, grandchildren,  
and all of your extended family.

*Bob and Judy Pransky*

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To Mr. and Mrs. Gesserman,  
*Mazel tov* on this well-deserved honor!

To Andrew and Chava  
*Mazel tov* on receiving this award. May you  
continue to see *nachas* from your beautiful  
family and see your children following in  
your footsteps as they grow up with  
parents who are models of  
dedication to Torah and community.

In recognition of  
**Rabbi Bauminger** and the special  
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And special thanks to  
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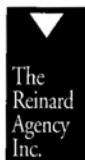
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*Mazel tov* to the  
**Gesserman and Paris Families!**

Thank you for your devotion to  
*Klal Yisrael* through both *chesed*  
and communal leadership!

Thank you to the Kollel  
for the consistent *chizuk* you  
provide to our community.

The ways in which you learn Torah,  
teach Torah and live Torah, inspire us  
to strive for an ever-greater connection  
to our most precious legacy and gift.

*With love and deep appreciation,  
Jon and Jessica, Akiva, Dovi, Yonah, Hillel,  
and Shifra Erlbaum  
and*

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*Mazel tov* to our honorees  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
**Andrew and Chava Paris**

*Hakaras hatov* to my rebbeim

**Rabbi Biberfeld**  
**Rabbi Zeffren**  
**Rabbi Prupas**

*Reb Abba and Sandie Rosenthol*

In honor of  
**Rabbi and Mrs. Yechiel Biberfeld**  
whose devotion and selflessness to  
their community knows no bounds.

May Hashem continue to give you  
the strength to continue serving  
*Klal Yisrael* with your unique talents.

*Shmuli and Alli Jeger*



Aish HaTorah Philadelphia applauds the wonderful work the Philadelphia Community Kollel does for our community.

The time and effort they devote infuses our town with a heightened appreciation for true Torah ideals.

We wish them continued *bracha* and *hatzlacha* in all of their endeavors.

*Mazel tov* to the Rosh Kollel, Assistant Rosh Kollel, and all Kollel Rabbanim.

*Mazel tov* to the worthy honorees.

*Rabbi Eli and Estee Kopel and  
The Aish Philadelphia Community*

בן בג אומר הפוך בה והפוך בה דכולה בה ובה תחזי וסיב  
ובלה בה ומינה לא תזוע שאין לך מדה טובה הימנה  
[אבות ה:כב]

The Doctor's Chabura wishes a heartfelt טוב מזל to all the honorees

Especially our very own  
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A הַכְרַת הטוב to the Philadelphia Community Kollel, and especially  
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*With many thanks,*  
*Drs. Joel Betesh, David Weiss, Dovid Halpern, Robert Den,*  
*Menachem Yondorf, Jonathan Gotfried, and Jeremy Mazurek*  
*and the rest of the Doc Chabura*





*Mazel tov* to the  
honorees on this wonderful occasion.

We would like to extend our gratitude to  
the *talmidei chachamim* in the Kollel for the  
learning that they bring to our community.

Specifically, our thanks to **Rabbi Zeffren** and  
**Rabbi Prupas** for the time they spend learning  
with us. We appreciate your time, effort,  
and love of learning and look forward to  
continued learning for many years to come.

*Robby, Monique, William, Noah,  
Max and Raphael Mogyoros*

In honor of our dear children  
**Shmuel Dov and Suri Sussman**  
and of course,  
Tzvi

for the CONTINUOUS NACHAS  
they give us each and every day!!

Thank you to the outstanding  
Philadelphia Kollel and the entire  
community for their ongoing warm  
relationship and friendship  
to our children.

*Love,*  
*Bobby Fay*  
*Mommy and Abba Sussman*

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*Mazel tov*  
to our dear friends  
**Miriam and Barry Gesserman**

Through your love of *Klal Yisrael* and respect  
for your fellow Jews, you have been  
pillars of our community and  
friends and role models to all.

Thank you for your friendship, support, and  
care as we raised our children together.

May Hashem bless you with the strength  
and energies to continue living a life  
*l'shem Torah, mitzvot, and maasim tovim.*

*David and Kineret*

A heartfelt *hakaras hatov* to

**Rabbi Yechiel Biberfeld**  
and his *eshet chayil*  
**Mrs. Rachael Biberfeld**  
and

**Rabbi Yoel Dovid Zeffren**  
and his *eshet chayil*  
**Mrs. Shayna Malka Zeffren**

We thank you for the learning, care  
and willingness to always help.

We appreciate all that you do for us,  
our family, and the community at large.

*With great respect and admiration,*  
*David and Kineret*



Dear **Andrew and Chava**,  
*Mazel tov* on this well-deserved honor.

You both are great role models to all of us.  
Thank you for all that you do for our school,  
Kollel, shul and community.  
We value your friendship.

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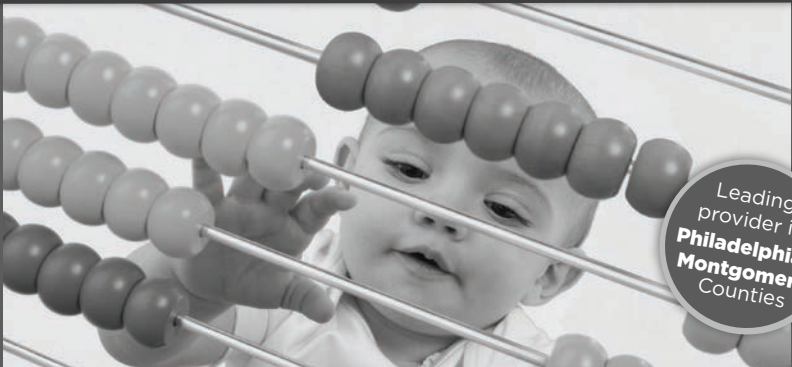
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To our dear friends  
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Pillars of our community  
Role models of מעשים טובים and חסד  
*Mazel tov* on this well-deserved honor.  
כל שרוח הבריות נוחה הימנו רוח המקום נוחה הימנו  
May you go מחיל אל חיל.

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*Mazel tov* to this year's honorees.

*Mazel tov* and thank you to  
**Rabbis Biberfeld, Zeffren** and their Rebbetzins  
for bringing so much faith and knowledge  
and love to our community.

*Sam and Amy Kratchman*

*Yasher koach* to  
**Rabbi and Mrs. Biberfeld and  
Rabbi and Mrs. Zeffren**  
for creating an important  
*makom Torah* in Lower Merion.

The Kollel has provided an important and  
dedicated service to the community  
over the past 14 years!

*Mazel tov* to my friend and co-worker  
**Miriam Gesserman** and her husband **Barry**  
on this well-deserved honor!

*Joyce Kail*

With love and gratitude to  
**The Kollé**  
and the  
**Biberfeld Family**

*Margelle and Shelly Liss  
and Family*

With hearts  
full of gratitude, we thank  
הרב יחיאל ביברפלד  
הרב יואל דוד זפרן  
וכל בני הכולל  
for including us in the Kollel family  
so warmly and wholeheartedly.

The Kollel truly enriches our homes with  
an atmosphere of Torah, *chesed* and *aliyah*.

*Chaim Yonah and Shevy Ziembra*  
*Yitzchak and Leah Stern*  
*Tzvi and Leah Grossman*



In honor of  
**Rabbi and Rebbetzin Biberfeld**

*Mazel tov* on another year of *harbatzas Torah*.

May Hashem give you the good health and  
*siyata d'shmaya* for many more years to come.

*With much hakaras hatov,  
Shmulie and Frayda Grunberger*

*Mazel tov* to the honorees,  
**Mr. and Mrs. Barry Gesserman and  
Dr. and Mrs. Andrew Paris**  
on this well-deserved honor.

May Hashem give you the strength  
to continue your amazing work for the *klal*.

In honor of  
**Rabbi Zeffren and Rabbi Prupas**  
and all the Kollel Rabbis and their families  
for their tireless work on behalf of the Kollel.

May Hashem give you and your families good  
health, *nachas* and *hatzlacha* as you continue  
spreading the light of Torah and being  
*mekadesh shem shamayim*.

*Shmulie and Frayda Grunberger*

*Mazel tov* to our dear friends  
**Miriam and Barry Gesserman**

For their tireless efforts on behalf of  
the Philadelphia Jewish Community.

Your dedication is unsurpassed.

*Eileen and Albert Singer*

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ויחי נ:כג

Seeing you  
- and who you are, dearest Yerachmiel-  
seeing you and your choice of your lifemate,  
evokes in the hearts of your Bobie  
and Lee-Lee the hope that the  
togethernesses we and you spent  
beginning February 28, is consonant  
with and authentically echoes  
the divine charge inherent in  
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*Bobie and Lee-Lee*

*Mazel tov* to  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
and  
**Andrew and Chava Paris**

on a well-deserved honor for a  
terrific cause and organization.

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*Mazel tov to*  
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**Dr. and Mrs. Andrew and Chava Paris**  
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Thank you to all of the Kollel Rabbis and wives  
for your great work. May you continue to  
spread Torah in our community.

*Mazel tov to*  
**Mr. and Mrs. Gesserman**  
on this well-deserved honor.

*Dovi and Chavi Goldschmidt*

*“Take from yourselves a portion for Hashem,  
everyone whose heart motivates him shall  
bring it, as a gift for Hashem”  
Exodus 35:5*

Thank you  
**Phyllis and Ted**  
for your open and unstinting portion  
that is helping to build and sustain  
a “House” of Torah learning  
within our community.

*Batya*

*Mazel tov*

**Mr. and Mrs. Barry Gesserman  
and Dr. and Mrs. Andrew Paris**

May Hashem help you continue to  
be role models in our community.

Thank you to  
**Rabbi Biberfeld and Rabbi Zeffren**  
for their tremendous efforts in spreading the  
light of Torah to the Lower Merion community.  
May they have continued *bracha v'hatzlacha!*

*Yaakov and Miriam Deutscher*



A special thank you  
to all of the Zeffrens

Rabbi Yoel Dovid, Rebbetzin Shayna Malka,  
Ozer Pinchas, Faigy, Mordechai, Binyomin,  
Eliezer, Miriam, Rivka, Chana Golda, Tova,  
Naomi, Elisheva and Meir Zelig,  
who continue to shower us with kindness  
and so generously share their knowledge,  
wisdom and warmth and show us the  
beauty and depth of *Yiddishkeit*  
by their glowing example.

We cherish your friendship.

*With love,*  
*Sandy and Margie*

Mazel Tov to  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
On this well deserved honor .  
Thank you for all you do for the Kollel,  
1<sup>st</sup> Seder and the entire community.

A special thank-you to the Rosh Kollel and Kollel Rabbeim  
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*Mazel tov* to  
**Chava and Andrew**  
on the Young Leadership Award  
an honor truly deserved

and to  
**Miriam and Barry**  
*Mazel tov* on being the Guests of Honor  
of the 14th Annual Kollel Dinner

May each of you continue  
to go from strength to strength.

*Jody and Michael Molinari*

A tremendous thank you  
to our dear honorees and friends  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
and  
**Andrew and Chava Paris**

For all your hard work and devotion in bringing out the Kollel's  
mission of spreading and teaching Torah to our community.  
May you be blessed with much *bracha* and *hatzlacha*.

In appreciation of the Rosh Kollel and  
his Rebbetzin, **Rabbi and Mrs. Biberfeld**,  
for their constant focus on raising the caliber and bringing  
growth to the Kollel family and its community at large.

A special *yasher koach* to pillars of *chesed*,  
doers, and leaders in our *tzibur*  
**Ted and Phyllis Kosloff**  
**Sid and Susan Laytin**  
**Rabbi Yoel and Shayna Malka Zeffren**

As well as:  
**Dr. David Weiss**  
**Rabbi Shalom Kelemer**  
**The Members of the Kesher Committee**  
**Ms. Chaya Wachs**  
**Mr. Richard Fine**

And all our dear friends who do so much for our community  
in their quiet way, you know who you are. *Ya'asher koach*.

*Yosef and Faigy Prupas*



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We would like to wish a heartfelt **ישר כח** to the  
Kollel and all its members and staff on yet another year of  
enhancing לימוד התורה in our community.

*Mazel tov* and congratulations to this year's deserving honorees

**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
Guests of Honor

**Dr. Andrew and Chava Paris**  
Young Leadership Award

Barry and Miriam – members of our congregation – have  
consistently been raising the level of *Yiddishkeit* for us all,  
without fanfare, and we appreciate them!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

May the entire Kollel community  
continue to go from strength to strength!

*Alan and Edie Appel*  
*Harvey, Andrea and Heather Berman*  
*Rabbi and Mrs. Shlomo Cohen*  
*Sara Cohen*  
*Neil Danzig*  
*Barry and Linda Eichler*  
*Sheldon and Miriam Feinstein*  
*David Felder*  
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*Rabbi Yonah and Chava Gross*  
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*Len and Rita Small*  
*The Stieglitz Family*  
*David and Ellen Weiss*  
*Rabbi Michael and Debbie Yondorf*

*Mazel tov*  
to the honorees  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
and  
**Andrew and Chava Paris**

on your recognition at tonight's dinner and  
your efforts on behalf of the community.

Wishing the  
Philadelphia Community Kollel  
continued *hatzlacha*.

*Rabbi Shraga and Michal Sherman*  
*Rabbi Mendy and Temma Cohen*  
*Chabad of the Main Line*

*Mazel tov* and יישר כחכם to tonight's worthy honorees!

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הנהלת ישיבה ד' פילאדעלפיא

Kollel Erev wishes מזל טוב to the  
honorees and to the Philadelphia Community Kollel  
and expresses its thanks to תורה של אכסניא.

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to the honorees of the  
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And with gratitude to our parents,  
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for all that they do for our family  
and for the Philadelphia Jewish community.

*With love,*  
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The outpouring of appreciation that our community shows you tonight is borne from decades of your selfless service to the *Klal*.

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May Hashem provide you and your wonderful families with *ברכה והצלחה* always.

*Yoel Dovid and Shayna Malka Zeffren*



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*Mazel tov to*  
**Barry and Miriam**

Congratulations on this well-deserved honor.

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Your friendship over the years has  
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Special recognition to tonight's honorees  
and all the wonderful people  
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*Tatty and Mommy Gewirtz*  
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*Mazel tov* to the honorees and to the  
Philadelphia Community Kollel  
on this wonderful occasion.

A special thank you to my *chavrusa*,  
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We are proud of all accomplishments and  
achievements of our sister and brother-in-law,  
**Miriam and Barry Gesserman,**  
for all that they have done in their community,  
their shul, and for the Philadelphia Community Kollel.  
Beyond raising a devoted and faithful family, they have  
given honor to all they know through the works that  
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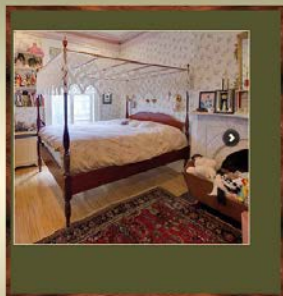
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entire Kollel on 14 years of being *marbitz Torah*.

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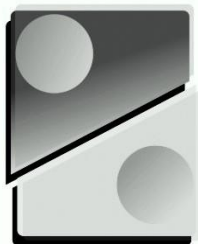
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In honor of our dear friends,  
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Dear **Barry and Miriam**,

A well-deserved honor for two people  
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from all that you have accomplished.

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for their outstanding devotion  
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Our appreciation and love for their commitments  
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In honor of our dear children  
**Yirmiyohu and Liba Bauminger**

May ה"קב grant you continuous *hatzlacha*  
in all present and future endeavors.  
Keep up the good work and much  
*yiddishe nachas* from the boys.

We are proud of you.  
*With love,*  
*Aba and Ima*

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Congratulations to the  
**Gessermans and Paris'**  
on this well-deserved honor.

*Baruch and Elana Avis*

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Thank you to the Kollel for Masmid! We love  
coming to learn with our father and also  
winning a prize almost every week!

*Akiva and Ezra Avis*

Congratulations to this year's honorees!

Thanks especially to **Rabbi Benedict** and to all the Rabbis of the Philadelphia Community Kollel and to all its other supporters for their encouragement and facilitation of Torah study.

*Fred and Joanna Brown*

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*Kol hakavod* to **Judah and Minnie Nosenchuk**, to **Grandma and Zeide Nosenchuk**, and to all their children and grandchildren for all their good work on behalf of *Yiddishkeit* and the Jewish people.

*With all of my love,  
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*Burt and Dianne*

We would like to thank the  
Philadelphia Community Kollel, as well as  
**Rabbi and Mrs. Biberfeld and**  
**Rabbi and Mrs. Zeffren,**  
for everything they do for the community.  
Congratulations to tonight's honorees  
on this well-deserved honor.

*Suri and Shmuel Dov Sussman*

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In honor of the Roshei Kollel and  
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**Andrew and Chava Paris**

*Yasher koach* to **Rabbi Biberfeld**  
**and Rabbi Zeffren**  
and to all of the Kollel *rebbeim*  
for another outstanding year of Torah  
learning and community events.

*Gilya and Len Freedman*

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In honor of my good *chaver*,  
**Rabbi Yechiel Biberfeld**

*Dovid Scharf and Family*

In honor of  
**Andrew and Chava Paris**

*Mazel tov!*

*Zev and Yonina Jacobson and Family*

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With hearts full of gratitude, we thank  
**Rabbi Yechiel Biberfeld, Rabbi Yoel Dovid Zeffren**  
and the *Bnei HaKollel*  
for establishing the Kollel that permeates our neighborhood  
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We thank the journal chairman  
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*Chaim Yonah and Shevy Ziembra*

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A warm *yasher koach* to the Community Kollel  
and to the very deserving Guests of Honor.

A special thanks to my evening *chavruta*, **R. Sussman.**

May we all go from strength to strength  
and grow in our *avodas Hashem*.

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ירושלמי חגיגה א:ז

We want to express our heartfelt הטוב הכרת to the Kollel  
and its staff for all they do for our family and the entire *kehilla*.

Congratulations to our dear friends **Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
on this well-deserved recognition of their leadership in the community.

The Gessermans bring so much to our community –  
and do everything with impeccable *midos* and class!!!!!!

*Mazel tov* to **Andrew and Chava Paris** on receiving the Young Leadership Award.

**Dr. Paris'** brilliance, enthusiasm and penetrating questions have been one of the essential  
keys to the success of the Medical Iyun *Chabura. Shkoyach* and thanks!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

*David and Ellen Weiss and Family*

*Kol hakavod*  
to  
**Chava and Andrew Paris**

May Hashem grant you strength to continue to support and enrich our community with your learning, involvement in community events, and most importantly in the raising of your children.

*David and Kineret Shakow*

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In appreciation to Hashem for all that the Kollel and tonight's honorees do for the community.

Can't wait to see you all in the spring!

*Shmuel and Henya Novick*  
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To  
**Miriam and Barry**

With *hakaras hatov* for your countless  
efforts on behalf of the community.

Our fervent wishes for the  
continued flourishing of the Kollel

*B'vracha,*  
*Ellen and Michael Braffman*

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In honor of our fellow honorees  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
who have done so much to support our community.

It is a pleasure to share this  
momentous evening with you.

*Andrew and Chava Paris*

A big *chazak ubaruch* to the rabbis of the Kollel and everyone who makes the Philly Kollel one of the main power generators that light up our community.

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*Mazel tov* to the Kollel on its 14th year!

Best wishes to my dear brother-in-law and sister  
**Rabbi and Mrs. Yechiel and Rachael Biberfeld**

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*Mazel tov* to  
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*Mazel tov* to our dear friends  
**Barry and Miriam Gesserman**  
on this well-deserved honor.

*Hakaros hatov* to the entire Kollel  
for all they do for the community.

*Jack and Judy Siderer*



To **Barry and Miriam** *amu"sh*,  
With three such wonderful children, you are surely  
deserving of such an honor. May we all continue to share  
*nachas* from our families for many years to come.

*Your mechutanim,*  
*Yisroel Yissachar and Dodie Rothschild*  
*Zev and Dina Nadler*  
*David and Susan Friedman*



*Mazel tov* to all the honorees, you are great!

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We miss you all!

*Kurt and Melissa Stein*

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In honor of  
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has been a source of  
energy and inspiration to their  
*shul*, the Kollel, and the entire community.

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In deepest appreciation of an outstanding *chavrusa*,  
**Rabbi Shmuel Dov Sussman**,  
whose wisdom and genuine concern make learning  
energizing and rejuvenating. Thanks for helping me start  
off my week with the light of Torah. All the best to  
**Rabbi Shmuel Dov Sussman** and his family.

*Joel and Margalit Lubell*

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In honor of the Roshei Kollel  
**Rabbi Biberfeld and Rabbi Zeffren**  
and the *yungeleit* of the Kollel of Philadelphia.

*Shelly and Tammy Peskin*

A special *hakaras hatov* to my *chavrusas*: **Rabbi Chesky Weiss, Rabbi Yochanon Eskenazi, Rabbi Yerachmiel Lichtman and Rabbi Shmuel Dov Sussman**


*Shelly Peskin*

*Mazel tov*

to the honorees on your community recognition.

Thank you **Rabbi Biberfeld** and the Philadelphia Kollel  
for connecting the community with Torah.

*Raymond and Lori Levin  
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*Mazel tov*

**Andrew and Chava!**

Thank you for all you do for our community.

*Amrom and Elana*

In appreciation of the  
Kollel members' many contributions  
to our community.

*Drs. Joel Hecker and Frani Pollack*

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*Mazel tov to*  
**Miriam and Barry Gesserman**  
on this well-deserved honor.

We admire your commitment to Torah study and your  
dedication to enhancing our community institutions.  
May Hashem grant you continued strength, good  
health, and *nachas* from your beautiful family.

*Rabbi Yonah and Chava Gross and Family*

*Mazel tov* to the Philadelphia Community Kollel,  
**Rabbi Biberfeld, and Rabbi Zeffren** on another  
outstanding year of *harbotzas hatorah* and  
*kiddush Shem Shamayim*.

*Mazel tov* to the honorees and *yasher koach* to the  
Kollel's esteemed administrator who we are  
so deeply proud of, **Ms. Chaya Wachs**.

*With much gratitude,  
Dovid and Ettie Wachs*

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*Mazel tov*  
to a dear friend,  
**Mrs. Miriam Gesserman**  
on this well deserved honor.

You are a role model  
with your quiet, constant giving.

*Miriam Kamenetsky*

## Miriam and Barry

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*All the best,  
Ruth and Rabbi Gedaliah  
Feldman*

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Wishing the Kollel  
a year of *hatzlacha*!

*Yochanan and Yaffa  
Eskenazi and Family*

*Mazel tov* to tonight's honorees,  
**Mr. and Mrs. Barry Gesserman**  
**and Dr. and Mrs. Andrew Paris.**

*Yasher koach* to the Rosh Kollel  
and the entire Kollel staff!

*Yerachmiel and Yitty Lichtman and Family*

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*Mazel tov*  
to our friends  
**Phyllis and Ted Kosloff**

*Bennett and Judith Weinstock*

*Mazel tov* to the Kollel  
and to the honorees  
**Mr. and Mrs. Barry Gesserman**  
and  
**Dr. and Mrs. Andrew Paris**

*Paul and Janet Sachs*

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Thank you for providing  
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*Eli and Leeby Krause*

In honor of my grandchildren  
**Rabbi Yechiel and Rachael Biberfeld**

May they continue having *hatzlacha*  
in all their work.

*Love,*  
*Bubby Lotte*

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Thank you to the Kollel *rebbeim* and families for  
your continued commitment to building  
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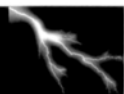
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