

## Yahrtzeit of Previous Liska Rebbe, Zy"á, to Be Observed

### BAIS LISKA

As the 47th *yahrtzeit* of the previous Liska Rebbe, Harav Yoizef Friedlander, zy"á, approaches on 28 Shevat, his sons, the current Liska Rebbe, *shlita*, and the Hivnover Rav, *shlita*, will be officiating at a *tisch* in the Liska Kehila located in Boro Park, at 1449 50th Street in Brooklyn on Monday evening, February 12, at 7:30 p.m.

As a pioneering founder of chassidic Boro Park, which was then barren of the vibrant *kehillos* and *yeshivos* that Boro

Park is so proud of today, the Liska Rebbe established his Bais Medrash Ateres Tzvi M'Liska in 1947, infusing all those that he encountered with a warmth and appreciation for authentic *Yiddishkeit* and contributing to the initial growth of Boro Park as a *makom Torah v'Chassidus*.

In light of the Rebbe's passing at the young age of 52, the *seudas yahrtzeit* will serve as a reminder of this remarkable Rebbe who served as a bridge from his illustrious ancestors, *Admorei Liska*, in the post-Holocaust era.



The Liska Rebbe, zy"á, Harav Yoizef Friedlander with his son and successor, the current Liska Rebbe, Harav Tzvi Hersh Friedlander, *shlita*.



The Liska Rebbe, Harav Yoizef Friedlander, zy"á, at wedding of his daughter Rebbetzin Pearl Gittel Leifer.

## Sefer Torah in Memory of Harav Chaim Yisroel Belsky, Zt"l, Near Completion



Harav Shmuel Dishon, *shlita*, *Menahel* of Mosdos Yad Yisroel of Karlin-Stolin, speaking at the *yarchei kallah*.



Harav Mattisyahu Solomon, *shlita*, *Mashgiach* of Beth Medrash Govoha, writing one of the first letters at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ari Stern during *Yemei Selichos* 5776.



Harav Yosef Savitsky, *Rosh Yeshiva*, Torah Vodaath, writing one of the first *osiyos* at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ari Stern during *Yemei Selichos* 5776.



Rabbi Dovid Goldstein, *Maggid Shiur*, Mesivta Torah Vodaath, speaking at the *yarchei kallah*.

### SHIMMY BLUM

It was a few short months after the passing of Harav Chaim Yisroel Belsky, *zt"l*, *Rosh Yeshiva* of Torah Vodaath and world-renowned *posek*, that a *sefer Torah* campaign was launched in his memory.

The first *osiyos* were written at the Annual Lakewood Event in the home of Mr. Ari Stern by the *Mashgiach* of Beth Medrash Govoha, Harav Mattisyahu Solomon, *shlita*, along with other respected *marbitzei Torah* and *baalei chessed*.

Over the subsequent 16 months, countless *Yidden* from across the continent eagerly joined in this special *sefer Torah*, being written by Harav Belsky's son-in-law, Rabbi Yonasan Lehrfeld, a renowned *sofer*.

Now, as Harav Belsky's second *yahrtzeit* is marked, the *sefer Torah* is nearly complete. On Sunday, *Parashas Tetzaveh* (February 18), a grand *hachnasas sefer Torah* will be celebrated.

### Whirlwind Events

Much ink has been utilized to try to convey the everlasting impact that Harav Belsky's Torah, *chinuch*, *kashrus* work and *chesed* have made upon countless *talmidim* and others.

This past Sunday, Harav Belsky's second *yahrtzeit*, a *ksivas osiyos* reception



*Ksivas osiyos* reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Shimon Lefkowitz; (Top row, L-R): Rabbi Yitzchok Gottdiener, Rabbi Aryeh Belsky, Harav Yisroel Reisman, Rabbi Avrohom Lefkowitz, Rabbi Shimon Lefkowitz, Rabbi Yosef Eisen, Rabbi Naftali Leshkowitz, Rabbi Moische Haas; (Bottom row, L-R): Rabbi Avrohom Belsky, Harav Eliezer Dovid Rapaport, Rabbi Chaim H. Leshkowitz, Rabbi Gedaliah Weinberger, Rabbi Yoel Ehrenreich, Rabbi Moshe Fuchs.

was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Shimon Lefkowitz, in memory of his father, the legendary *askan*, Reb Yisroel Lefkowitz, *z"l*. The Lefkowitz family will be dedicating *Krias Shema* in the *sefer Torah*.

This was followed by a *yarchei kallah* program in the yeshiva.

This Motzoei Shabbos, *Parashas Mishpatim*, a *kesivas osiyos* reception will be held in the Madison-Flatbush area at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dovid and Esther

Shurin. The event will be held in conjunction with Agudath Israel of Madison, Kollel Bnei Yeshivas, Bais Moshe Shmiel, Khal Ner L'Meiah and Khal Nachlas Dovid.

### Shabbos of Chizuk – Hachnasas Sefer Torah

A wide-scale Flatbush Shabbos of Chizuk, *Parashas Terumah*, will precede the momentous *hachnasas sefer Torah*. Nearly 40 *kehillos* in the Flatbush area

will participate in the program, which will feature various events and *shuirim* with the *Roshei Yeshiva*, *Mashgiach* and other Torah Vodaath *marbitzei Torah*.

A community-wide *oneg Shabbos*, sponsored by the Trencher family, will be held with the participation of the *Roshei Yeshiva* and *talmidim*, together with Rabbi Fishel Schachter and Mr. Sruli Wulliger on *leil Shabbos* at Khal Bais Eluzer Faltichen.

On Motzoei Shabbos, a beautiful *melaveh malkah ksivas osiyos* will be held at Khal Bnei Avrohom Yaakov Hall on East 27th Street, corner Avenue N.

On Sunday morning, the final *osiyos* in the *sefer Torah* will be written at the home of the *Rosh Yeshiva*, *zt"l*. At 1:00 p.m., a majestic procession will lead the *sefer Torah* on a path so heavily trekked — from the home to Torah Vodaath *beis medrash*. Live music and dancing will bring the powerful emotions of participants to the fore.

A beautiful *seudah* and *divrei zikaron* will follow. Harav Elya Brudny, *shlita*, *Rosh Yeshiva*, Mirrer Yeshiva of Brooklyn, will be the guest speaker.

Rabbi Yitzchok Gottdiener, executive director of Yeshiva Torah Vodaath, says that the public's reaction to the *sefer Torah* campaign surprised even the project's most enthusiastic organizers.