

## Investors Bank in Boro Park



A ribbon-cutting ceremony at Investors Bank's first branch in Boro Park, located at 4624 13th Avenue. Shomrim members attended the ceremony.

## Agudath Israel's Vaad Hanhalah



A meeting of Agudath Israel's Vaad Hanhalah was held last Wednesday, November 2, at Agudath Yisroel of Madison. The well-attended event featured a dialogue with Assemblyman Phillip Goldfeder, as well as a discussion about the upcoming Agudath Israel National Convention and the 12th *Siyum Hashas* of the *Daf Hayomi*.

## "Advocating for Wallenberg Congressional Gold Medal"



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Spokesman for the Raoul Wallenberg Centennial Celebration Commission (RWCCC) and CEO of the Friedlander Group, Ezra Friedlander, headed to Washington to advocate for Members of Congress to cosponsor the Raoul Wallenberg Centennial Act. Mr. Friedlander is seen here discussing the legislation with Senator Robert Menendez (NJ) and Ben Hoffman, Board Member of the RWCCC.

## OU Press Announces Publication Of *Koren Mesorat HaRav Siddur*

With an invitation to "Daven with the Rav," OU Press and Koren Publishers of Jerusalem announced today the publication of the *Koren Mesorat HaRav Siddur*. In this landmark event for the Jewish community, the teachings of Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik, the Rav, are now available in an extraordinary compilation of *tefillot* and commentary for personal worship and synagogue services on weekdays, Shabbos, and the festivals.

In a project overseen by OU Press general editor Rabbi Menachem Genack and edited by Dr. Arnold Lustiger, the volume is certain to become one of the classics of Jewish liturgy.

"We are delighted that the *Koren Mesorat HaRav Siddur* has rolled off the presses and is available for purchase. We expect that many synagogues will make the volume available to their congregants and that many individuals will purchase it for themselves," Rabbi Genack said.

In his introduction to the volume, which includes an exploration of major themes in the Rav's views on prayer, Rabbi Genack wrote, "Prayer played a dominant role in the public lectures and *shiurim* of the Rav as he was ever sensitive to the halachic expression of that primal human need to call out to G-d from the depths of one's soul, from the very essence of one's being." Rabbi Genack was a dedicated student of the Rav and has been instrumental in making his teachings available to a new generation.

According to Rabbi Simon Posner, executive editor of OU Press as well as literary editor of the volume, "The *Mesorat HaRav Siddur* brings together for the first time in one volume the profound thought of the Rav on the *siddur*. The extensive commentary on the *tefillot*, which is culled from the Rav's writings, public lectures, *shiurim* and classes, will be welcomed enthusiastically by all who

appreciate the Rav's towering intellect and his unique approach — profound halachic analysis combined with the distillation of philosophical and theological concepts that emerge from the *halachah* and identification of the interplay between the intellectual and the emotional content of the *siddur*. The Rav's inimitable language and style are present throughout — intellectually scintillating, eloquent, and strikingly original."

The monumental 1,304-page volume also reflects the unique Koren style, with its elegant, distinctive Hebrew typography; the prayers on the left page and English translation on the right; and the lightweight but strong "Bible Paper," with its parchment-like color.

The *Koren Mesorat HaRav Siddur* is a preeminent addition to the vast repository of Jewish liturgy. The *siddur* is available at [oupress.org](http://oupress.org) and authorized Koren booksellers everywhere.

## Entrance Exams to Be Held for Bais Yaakov Oz Vehodor

Dear Parents,  
It is with great pride that we introduce Bais Yaakov Oz Vehodor Birkas Yisroel High School. Our school was founded a year ago with the joint guidance of Rabbi Yisroel Lefkowitz, *zt"l*, and, *ybl"c*, the well-known *mechanech* Rabbi Moshe Neuman.

Our mission was the establishment of a school with the highest standards in both *limudei kodesh* and *limudei chol*. Special emphasis on *hashkafah*, *halachah*, and *yiras Shamayim* are the defining hallmarks of our program. Additionally, we offer enrichment courses in hairstyling, photography, food decorating, music

and sewing.

The atmosphere of *kedushah*, warmth, and joy that permeate the school is evident in every classroom and hallway. Student participation in extracurricular activities, G.O., *chessed*, Mishmeres, and Tiferes enables every student to shine.

The staff is professional, dedi-

cated and caring. The teachers reach every student, developing critical writing and reasoning skills across all disciplines. In Bais Yaakov Oz Vehodor every student counts!

Entrance exams will be given on Sunday, November 13, at 1:30 p.m. at our school, located at 1430 Locust Avenue (Avenue L, off

East 15th Street) on the third floor.

For more information please call Mrs. Solomons or Mrs. Freedman at 718-377-4477.

Sincerely,  
Reb. V. Kalmanowitz  
*Menahel*  
Mrs. F. Neumann  
*English Principal*