

Second *Yahrtzeit* of Rav Aryeh Leibish Teitelbaum *Hy”d*

It is hard to believe, but two years have already passed since those tragic days that held *Klal Yisroel* in suspense when we became aware that terrorists in India had cap-



tured several Jews, including two *kashrus mashgichim*, Rav Aryeh Leibish Teitelbaum *Hy”d* and Rav Ben Zion Chroman *Hy”d*.

All across the globe, people were watching with apprehension as the attacks unfolded. There were several targets, including hotels and a train station, resulting in hundreds of victims killed or maimed. The response of the Indian police and army largely exposed their incompetence. But the incident really hit home when it became apparent that the Nari-man Chabad House in Mumbai was a target as well and that several Jews were trapped inside. Jews everywhere were *misparallel* for the safe return of all of them. Unfortunately, it wasn't meant to be. As was later determined, the two *mashgichim* had been the first ones to be killed. The blood-soaked body of Rav Aryeh Leibish was found hunched over a *Gemara* he was studying.

Perhaps this may well be a reflection of the incompetence of the US security agencies. As has recently been reported, the US government had been warned of the liaisons of David Headly two years before the attacks. Headly himself has admitted that the Chabad center was a chief target for the terrorists as they planned the attacks.

The father of Rav Gavriel Holzberg *Hy”d*, the Chabad representative in Mumbai who was killed with his wife Rivky, related that his son worriedly told him several months before the attacks about some unseemly visitors who made him uneasy. He

wasn't able to identify exactly what bothered him, but he was concerned. As a result, he had video monitors installed in the entire center, but of course, that was not something that could protect him or anyone else inside.

It is noteworthy what travelers who met Rav Aryeh Leibish on their business trips recounted during the week of *shivah*. They related that watching his behavior - how he never changed his dress code, his food choices, his commitment to Torah study and other matters related to *Yiddishkeit* - 'obligated' them to their *Yiddishkeit* as they traveled abroad.

It was that diligence to Torah that brought Rav Aryeh Leibish to the Chabad House in the first place. Rav Aryeh Leibish and Rav Ben Zion had finished their supervision of a kosher production a day earlier than anticipated, and there were no direct flights that day back to Israel. So they went to a hotel near the airport, one hour away from Mumbai. They checked in to the hotel and immediately had the chauffeur drive them to the Chabad center so they could find a *minyan* and learn a bit before returning to the hotel for the night. The chauffeur was waiting for them outside the Chabad center when the attack began. When their luggage was retrieved from the room later on, both the room and the luggage were found unopened. They had dropped their bags and went straight to *shul*.

Although Jews everywhere were deeply affected and followed every aspect of the tragedy as it unfolded, it naturally impacted the immediate families of the *kedoshim* in the long term. The widow of Rav Aryeh Leibish strives to maintain her husband's adherence to every detail of Torah and *halacha*, and attempts, with G-d-given strength, to continue raising their children according to the principles he set forth. She has had to assume the burden of providing for her family, even during these difficult times.

The *yahrtzeit* of Rav Aryeh Leibish will be marked this *Shabbos*, *Parshas Toldos*, at the *bais medrash* of his father, the Volover Rov, Rav Nuchem Ephraim Teitelbaum, at 5808 11th Avenue in Boro Park, Brooklyn. A *Kiddush* will take place following the *davening Shabbos* morning.

A Keren Yesomim was established for the purpose of providing for the children when it is time for them to get married and establish their own homes. Donations *l'illui nishmas* Rav Aryeh Leibish may be sent to Keren Yesomim of Cong. Nachlas Aron, 5808 11th Avenue, Brooklyn, NY, 11219, or contributions may be made at www.kerenyesomim.com.

Business Halacha Back in Flatbush

The weekly Business Halacha Institute (BHI) *chaburos* (study groups) which have been hailed by participants as "wonderful eye-openers" and having "a profoundly positive impact on daily business dealings" continue to expand throughout North America. A growing number of professionals, lawyers and businessmen in each of ten communities across the United States and Canada are studying practical applications of business *halacha* every week.

BHI has organized weekly learning groups - free of charge - in Passaic, Monsey, Lawrence/Far Rockaway, Montreal, Flatbush, Chicago and Miami. Los Angeles, Toronto and Boro Park are the three latest additions to the program. Business competition, fair pricing, intellectual property and negotiation tactics are some recently covered topics.

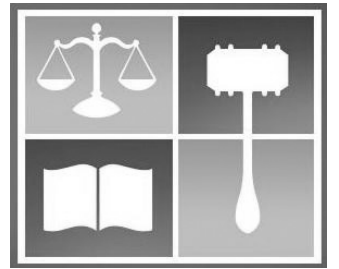
BHI will be launching its weekly learning group with an inaugural *shiur* on the subject of "Using Other People's Property Without Per-

mission."

The *shiur* will take place on Sunday, 30 *Cheshvan*/November 7, at the *chaburah's* new location, Bais Moshe Shmiel (Rav Rottenberg's *shul*), at 1782 East 28th Street, between Quentin Road and Avenue R. The morning will begin with *divrei chizuk* from Rav Moshe Tuvia Liefiff at 9 a.m., followed by a *seder limud* at 9:25 a.m. The *shiur*, delivered by Rav Moishe Bergman, *rosh chaburah*, will take place from 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Breakfast will be served.

Sample questions include: May one use a company-supplied phone for personal use? Is it permissible to take home paper from one's office with the intention to replace it? May one borrow an umbrella from a coat room for a minute?

For information on how to start a program in your community, email info@businesshalacha.com.



Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation Worldwide Women's Event



On November 20 and 27, Jewish women around the globe will be able to gain a new appreciation for special moments in their lives, as the Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation (CCHF) presents "Monumental Moments," an audio-visual event for women.

A project of CCHF's Tiferes women's program, it celebrates a Jewish woman's monumental power to change the world through her influence on the people in her life. It features Rebbetzin Tehilla Jaeger, Mrs. Chani Juravel, Mrs. Sryl Berman, Mrs. Rena Tarshish, Mrs. Esther Baila Schwartz and Mrs. Yael Mermelstein, and introductory and closing remarks from Mrs. Shaindy Kleinman. It also includes inspiring thoughts from Rav Shmuel Dishon.

Each speaker addresses a particular

facet of a Jewish woman's life, experience and spiritual power, yet a single, powerful message rings throughout the event: Every Jewish woman can accomplish tremendous things in her role as a shaper of the future.

Tiferes is now in its third year and over 270 Tiferes groups meet each month around the world, attracting about 2,700 women.

This year's event follows on the success of last year's inaugural event, "Eternal Imprints." For times and locations, see the listings ad in next week's *Yated*.

For more information about "Monumental Moments" or about Tiferes, or for help locating or starting a Tiferes group in your neighborhood, contact the Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation at 845.352.3505 ext. 106.

At the Inaugural Agudah Legislative Breakfast Coordinated by the Friedlander Group



Yossi Rieder, Rabbi Chaim Dovid Zweibel, Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver, Chaskel Bennet, Abe Biderman, Rabbi Shmuel Lefkowitz, and Leon Goldenberg.



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