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### Faculty at West Wing Follies



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# **Annual Dinner a Smashing Success**

TABC's 34th Annual Dinner took place last week with over 400 parents, alumni parents, alumni, faculty and friends enjoying a wonderful night out together, celebrating TABC, paying tribute to the well-deserving honorees, while raising critical funds for the Annual Campaign. We thank all our donors for their generous support. Contributions to the Annual Campaign enable TABC to provide a vibrant Torah environment, an outstanding academic program, enrichment opportunities and support services, professional development, a large variety of chessed and cocurricular activities and a chance to stay well-connected with our alumni. To view the Scroll of Honor, click <u>here</u>.

To view the videos that were shown at the Dinner, click on each honoree photo.







# **Engineering Students Construct A** "Real Feel" Thermostat

We all know how we can feel uncomfortably hot at 72 degrees with high humidity and very comfortable at 80 degrees and low humidity. Engineering students Mikey Finkelstein and Moshe Golubtchik are working on an advanced thermostat which accounts for both humidity and temperature. This will in turn control both heating and

### TABC Alumni & Rabbeim in Israel

TABC believes strongly in the importance of keeping up with our alumni. Here we see Rabbis Hoenig, Finkelstein & Friedman visiting some of our alumni who are currently studying in Israel. (Click on each photo for a larger image.)









Torat Shraga



Reishit Yerushalayim



Mevaseret Zion



Eretz HaTzvi



Migdal Torah



# Y17 & Y18 Join Together for Tanach Panel

For the last day of the zman, Y17 and Y18 joined together for a reflective panel discussion by Rabbis Blau and Jachter on limmud haTanach. Senior Adam Baron acted as the moderator and asked both prepared and spontaneous questions. Some of the questions that were raised included: "What is the main goal or goals of your teaching Tanach?" "What is your opinion about the modern vs classic styles of parshanut?" "Who are your role models for limmud haTanach?" "What is your favorite sefer to learn and to teach and why?" The answers were both thoughtful and thought provoking.



# Altalena Survivor Addresses Holocaust Studies Class



On Tuesday, January 3rd, students in the Holocaust Studies class welcomed a very special visitor to TABC. Mrs. Magda Cheifetz, who survived the Holocaust in



Shaalvim



Derech Eretz HaChaim

### TABC STORMS Kushner in Basketball Double Header

Congratulations to TABC's Varsity & JV Basketball victories over Kushner last week. The final Varsity score was 55-48, and JV finished up with a 60-40 win!







her native Hungary as a teenager, spoke to the students about her experiences during the war and her very unique experience immediately following the war. In Hungary, she showed true courage by acting as a "middleman" in

smuggling weapons for various Jewish resistance groups to fight off their Nazi oppressors. Eventually, she and a friend were able to escape occupied Hungary through the Red Cross to France where she stayed until the end of the war.

What makes Mrs. Chejfetz a unique survivor, is that she survived yet another brush with death after the war ended. She was one of several hundred Holocaust survivor passengers aboard the infamous Altalena ship that sailed from France to Israel in June, 1948. Many of these passengers were part of Menachem Begin's Irgun Movement, who were coming with smuggled arms on the ship in order to help defend Israel against the Arab opposition. When the Israeli Army, under orders from the government of Ben Gurion, began to fire at the ship, many, including Mrs. Chejfetz, had to jump ship. Leaving all that was left of their worldly possessions behind, they struggled to reach shore, while many were killed as the gunfire continued. Mrs. Chejfetz burst into tears as she mourned for those who had survived the gas chambers only to die when reaching the Jewish homeland!

Mrs. Reichardt and her students would like to thank TABC math teacher, Mrs. Marianne Gottlieb, who is Mrs. Chejfetz's niece, for arranging the visit. Throughout the day various faculty members commented how special it was for our students to meet a survivor from the Altalena.

# Outliers

# Book Day 2017 Launch

On Tuesday, January 10th, all congregated in the Beit Knesset, ostensibly to daven mincha but more specifically to be present at the launching of Book Day 2017. Both Rabbi Yablok and Rabbi Adler spoke about the importance of TABC being a community of readers, after which a few short videos were shown to introduce the choice for this year, *Outliers, The Story of Success*, by Malcolm Gladwell, which is one of the five books that were read over the summer by our Student and Faculty Book Day Committees. One student called it a "great choice. After all,

everyone is interested in success."

*Outliers* follows a long line of exciting books and Book Days at TABC, first begun in 2011 by Mrs. Moskovits and Dr. Master.

Let this year's excitement begin!

Below are the two videos which were shown at the launch.



For more exciting STORM coverage,





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### **Upcoming Events**

<u>January 19 - 29</u> Winter Break

January 30 Sessions Resume

February 3 Senior Mentor Shabbaton

<u>February 6</u> Sophomore Night Out

> February 8 Pink Day

<u>February 9-11</u> Freshman Shabbaton

February 16 Late Night Learning

<u>February 17-20</u> President's Weekend No Sessions

### **Israel Report**

Please click <u>here</u> for the latest issue of the Israel Report

Kol Torah Please click <u>here</u> for the latest issue of Kol Torah

### Faculty Divrei Torah

Please click <u>here</u> for recordings of Divrei Torah by our esteemed faculty

### Eye of the Storm

Please click <u>here</u> for the newest issue of Eye of The Storm

### Parnas HaYom

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# TABC Engages in Chazara to be Koneh Torah

The Gemara in Eruvin 54b relates that Rav Preida would always review with one of his students 400 times and once had gone over the material 800 times until the student understood. Yeshivot have always appreciated the vital importance of chazara as a way to be koneh Torah. As the zman ended TABC talmidim were engaged in chazara for their Chumash and Gemara shiurim.



# Mrs. Helen Shankman, Studio Art Teacher, is Story Prize Finalist



Congratulations to Mrs. Helen Shankman on being a top-three finalist for The Story Prize for her book, *They Were Like Family to Me*. (This is the paperback title. As a hardcover book, it was entitled *In the Land of Armadillos*.) The award is for "outstanding books published in 2016, chosen from 106 entries representing 72 different publishers". <u>Click here</u> for more about this exciting prize.

# Class of 2006 Ten-Year Reunion

What an evening it was! Many members of TABC's class of 2006 (some joined by their wives) came to their alma mater for an evening of great conversation, great food and TABC nostalgia. The presence of a large contingent of administration and

faculty also added to the magic of the evening. Rabbi Ezra Wiener, Dr. Joel Berman and Rabbi Noam Friedman '06 delivered top rate Divrei Torah which highlighted the special connection the class of 2006 feels with TABC. Rabbi Jachter, director of alumni affairs, noted the wide variety of accomplishments and great success of each of the alumni. From law to medicine to business to the rabbinate/chinuch the class of 2006 has it all.

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# **STORM Report**

### TABC STORM Ice Hockey Defeats JEC Thunder

by Avraham Gellman



Sunday night, January 8th, the TABC *STORM* Ice Hockey team faced off against the JEC Thunder in what would be a thriller all the way until the end. TABC was quick off the drop playing well offensively, throwing a number of shots on net in the first 3 minutes. JEC's goalie played strong, protecting the net with some big saves early. JEC responded to TABC's furious attack with a quick goal,

taking the 1-0 lead. Two minutes later JEC found the back of the net giving them the momentum and a two goal lead. But TABC did not let down. They got some help from defenseman senior Zach Rothenberg who chipped in on offense netting TABC's first goal of the night and trimming the lead to one. Some stellar play by sophomore goalie Shmuel Bak, kept TABC down one. With 17 seconds left in the first and down one, Zach Rothenberg was put on the ice, and went coast to coast splitting the defenders for his second of the night to tie the game up. TABC did not slow down in the second period as Zach Rothenberg once again scored on a breakaway move to net a hat trick, giving TABC the 3-2 lead. Minutes later, JEC struck back tying it up 3-3. It stayed this way due to great goaltending from TABC freshman Charles Gibber and JEC's goalie. But TABC was hungry. Later in the period, a great tic tac toe play set up by junior Ari Solomon and sophomore Eli Schiff was finished by sophomore Avraham Gellman. Just 13 seconds later they struck again on a pass to the front from Avraham Gellman to Eli Schiff who beat the goalie to take a two goal lead. TABC struck one final time, when freshman, Jake Rothenberg punched one home from in front after a great setup by Shlomo Gellman and Yehuda Saks. The horn was heard, and TABC took the win 6-4.

### Tweeting Up A STORM!

Please follow the Students Activities Page on Twitter @TABC Activities. Rabbi Miretzky, our Student Activities Director, will be

tweeting all about the excitement going on at TABC.

Follow us on Facebook!



### Rabbi Wiener is on hiatus until after Winter

Sunday morning shiur with

Sunday Learning

Break

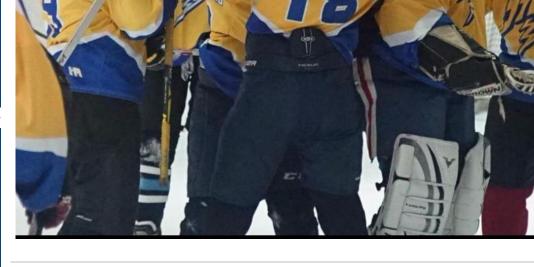
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### **TAPA**

TAPA is always looking for volunteers to help with programs and events throughout the year.

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### TABC in the Lions' Den



Chadashot is now archived on our website. In case you missed a week you can click <u>here</u> to view past issues.



On Monday night January 9th, the TABC Storm Varsity Hockey team traveled to the lions den to take on the MTA Lions on what was dubbed the "Winter Classic." Playing against a team with two TABC hockey alumni, Yoni and Gabi Stone, the Storm coaches Mo Fuchs and Yak Apfelbaum knew that the Lions would come on fired up and playing hard. After a senior night celebration for MTA, the puck dropped on

this highly anticipated matchup with the packed gym creating a playoff atmosphere. The Storm came out strong firing numerous shots on MTA and creating many chances. A few minutes in, Captain Zach Rothenberg was left in front and buried a pass from Efraim Tiger to give the Storm a 1-0 lead. A few shifts later Rothenberg took the puck behind the net, flipped it over the net towards the middle where Tiger patiently waited and tipped the puck into the net out of mid air giving the Storm a 2-0 lead. The Storm took the lead into the locker room for the first intermission. The second period continued the onslaught with the Storm creating many chances which were denied by the MTA goaltender. TABC goalie Solly Weiser kept the Storm up by two with some key saves, most notably a glove save mid-way through the period. Entering the third period the Storm looked to continue their momentum and on the first shift Rothenberg put a rebound into the back of the net to extend the lead to 3. Shortly thereafter, on the power play, Defenseman Akiva Wieder passed the puck across to Tiger who found Rothenberg at the side of the net for his third of the night. After an MTA goal, the Storm found themselves once again on the power play, where Rothenberg scored his fourth of the night on a backhand from the side of the net. The Storm take this 5-1 win into the break, looking to continue their quest Saturday night February 4th at home against JEC.

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