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December 23, 2016  
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## Please Join Us at Our Annual Dinner



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## Special Chanukah Family Shiur

Although school is officially closed on December 26th, Rabbi Fridman will be giving a

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shiur entitled "Yemei Hallel V'Hoda'ah: Reciting Hallel on Chanukah." Please join us for Tefillah at 8:45, followed by breakfast and the shiur. All TABC families are invited to come.

[Click here](#) to sign up.

## TABC TV



Over the past few weeks TABCTV staff has been working hard to ensure that broadcasts are a success. Following the recent update in equipment our broadcasts have been better than ever. In addition to the live stream TABCTV's new and improved website is up and running. Our website includes current and past live streams, team stats and scores and so much more. [Click here](#) to visit our website.



Chanukah is fast approaching, please join TAPA in expressing hakarat hatov to all TABC and Sinai staff. As a show of appreciation from the parent body, all staff members will be receiving a gift and a reception will be hosted in their honor.

# Another Banner Year For TABC Students During The Early Decision College Acceptance Process



An impressive number of our seniors have already been accepted to at least one college of their choice and as a group they have earned several hundred thousand dollars in academic scholarships for their freshman year of college. We are proud to announce that all ten of our students who applied

through Yeshiva University's Early Decision Honors were accepted and received considerable academic scholarships. They include Adam Baron, Yonatan Berner, Avi Bodoff, Meir Jacobs, Yoni Laub, Meir Lightman, Noah Nordlicht, Jacob Rosenfeld, Solomon Weiser and Daniel Zolty. We are equally proud that three of our seniors have been accepted into Ivy League Colleges (Andrew Haberman to Columbia University and Hillel and Judah Koslowe into Princeton University) with many more still within the pool that will be considered for a regular decision place. Other colleges TABC students have been accepted to include Brandeis University, SUNY Binghamton into their Engineering School, Drexel University, IDC Herzllya in Israel, Northeastern University, Rutgers University (School of Engineering, School of Business, School of Arts and Science, School of Environmental Studies), and the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. We are proud of the many students who have already been accepted to colleges as well as those that will be in the near future. We look forward to sharing more good news with you in the future.

## Late Night Learning

TABC ran a multi-tiered late night learning program, one for 8th graders and one for its current talmidim. Rabbi Raphi Mandelstam led off the program for the current talmidim, with a Chanukah shiur. The 2 programs then intersected, as the TABC talmidim helped the visiting 8th graders prepare mekorot for a shiur by Rabbi Malitzky. Many TABC rebbeim were there, as well, to act as both a resource and source of encouragement. After Rabbi Malitzky's shiur, the 8th graders continued with an enjoyable night of chulent, Dougie's and sports. Simultaneously, the current TABC talmidim heard shiurim from Rabbis Nachbar and Blau, continuing the theme of inyanei Chanukah. They concluded their night with Dougie's and sports. It was a wonderful opportunity for the talmidim to showcase the warmth that is felt between all ages and grades in TABC and show the 8th graders how a TABC talmid prepares for a chag with serious limmud haTorah.



DEADLINE IS TODAY.

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Chag Urim Sameyach!

TAPA  
Esty Shafer, Cindy Forgash &  
Devorah Schloss



## Chess Team Victory

The TABC chess team, coached by our multi-dimensional Athletic Director, Bobby Kaplan, faced off against rival Frisch with the league lead on the line. Fresh off a 9-5 victory over Kushner, TABC was ready for a check-mate, and that's exactly what they achieved, defeating Frisch by a score of 8-6. Next up, JEC.



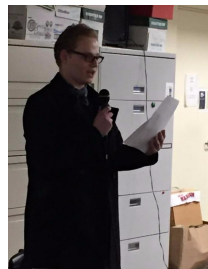
## Upcoming Events

December 24 - January 1  
Chanukah

December 26  
Tefillah, Breakfast & Shiur with  
Rabbi Fridman  
8:45 AM

December 26-27  
No School

## Poetry Slam



On Tuesday, ten TABC students headed out to Livingston to participate in the Yeshiva High School Poetry Slam at Kushner; they were joined by students from nine other yeshiva high schools. Each student came prepared with two poems, the first being free verse on the topic "villains," and the second, a refrain poem on the topic "unnoticed." Students were given five minutes to perform both poems

which were judged by published poets, writers and educators. After an exciting first round, finalists were announced who then presented the winning poems. We were thrilled when Shai Gutfreund was announced as one of the finalists; an exciting win for TABC!!

The students who participated were Moshe Dergel, Mendy Garb, Moshe Gutfreund, Shai Gutfreund, Avraham Kahan, Benjiman Mendelovits, Moshe Papier, Max Schechter, Ori Siegel and Yitzchak Tollinsky.



## West Wing Follies Coming to TABC

January 2  
No School

January 12  
TABC Annual Dinner

January 19 - 29  
Winter Break

### Israel Report

Please click [here](#) for the latest issue of the Israel Report

### Kol Torah

Please click [here](#) for the latest issue of Kol Torah

### Faculty Divrei Torah

Please click [here](#) for recordings of Divrei Torah by our esteemed faculty

### Eye of the Storm

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### Parnas HaYom

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### Sunday Learning

Sunday morning shiur with Rabbi Wiener



TABC and ENVISION THEATER present



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January 4, 2016 | 2 PM school matinee | 7:30 PM show  
Beth Shalom | 354 Maitland Avenue, Teaneck

Tickets | \$10 at the door

## National History Bowl Competition At TABC



On Sunday, December 18, well over 100 students from 32 high schools teams in the NY Metro area took part in the third annual Bergen County History Bee and Bowl held at TABC. The event is one of approximately 100 regional tournaments around the country organized by The National History Bee and Bowl, an organization founded by Ridgewood native and former 19 day champion on Jeopardy!, David Madden.

Attending students took part in both the History Bee (for individual students) and the History Bowl (for school teams). Thirty teams including TABC, Ma'ayanot, MTA and Central. The top half of students and teams in the Bee and the Bowl qualified for a chance to attend the 2017 National Championships next April in Arlington, Virginia.

After a long day of high level competition, the results came in. In JV History Bee competition, Nathanael Vinar '19, Avraham Kahan '19 and Ephraim

is off this week.

See you after  
Chanukah break!

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Miretzky, our Student  
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tweeting all about the  
excitement going on at  
TABC.

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what's going on in TABC  
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## TAPA

TAPA is always looking for

Helfgot were able to qualify for the National Tournament. Nathanael Vinar ultimately took 3rd place. In the individual Varsity Bee, Yehuda Koslowe '17 and Yosef Kahan '18 qualified for the national tournament finishing 1st and 3rd respectively. During the lunch break a number of students took the United States History Bee qualifying examination. Of all the students in the Varsity competition, our Yehuda Koslowe finished first with Yosef Kahan finishing third. In the JV division TABC finished 2nd, 3rd and 4th with Nathanael Vinar, Avraham Kahan and Ephraim Helfgot respectively.

In the team competition there was both a Varsity and JV division. In the JV History Bowl TABC's squad not only qualified for the National tournament but made it into the quarterfinal round before being knocked out (they had gone 3-2 in the preliminary rounds). The Varsity squad was one of three Yeshiva teams to make the playoffs finishing the preliminary rounds as the seventh seed with a record of 3-2. MTA and Central also qualified for the playoffs, but as lower seeds. The TABC varsity team was eliminated in the round of sixteen, but still qualified for the national tournament.

In each of the six categories, Torah Academy team members finished ahead of all the other Yeshivot in attendance.

## Juniors Visit Lower East Side

Last Thursday, December 15th, the entire Junior class along with several faculty chaperones, braved the frigid temperatures to travel "back in time" as part of their study of American immigration patterns. The day was scheduled to begin at the Lower East Side Tenement Museum,



but due to unfortunate delays by the bus company, the horrific "seasonal" traffic and gridlock, our group arrived too late for the scheduled tour. As students took in the sights around them and visited the Museum shop, an outstanding back up plan was devised! Thanks to the efforts of Mr. Donnie Adler, father of Shmuel, ('18) who so generously made time in his day to give the students a brief talk about the history of immigration on the Lower East Side in the historical Bialystoker Shul, the group was able to warm up and gain more insight into what life was like for many of our ancestors when they arrived to America. From there the group once again participated in a walking tour of the area as they headed for the next destination, the Eldridge Street Synagogue. Students and faculty enjoyed a very informative tour with Ms. Rachel Serkin, Senior Educator, at the Museum at Eldridge Street. She shared many historical anecdotes within her presentation and tour, which many students found to be quite interesting. Despite the challenges which we faced due to gridlock and freezing temperatures, the trip was an excellent culmination of their discussions on immigration. Many thanks to our faculty chaperones, Mrs. Leah Moskovits, Mrs. Susan Neumark, Mrs. Cary Reichardt, Mr. Aaron Kadish, Dr. Elliot Prager and Mr. Chanan Strassman and to our "walking tour" leader, Shmuel Adler!

## Jewish Life On Campus: Informed Choices

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**CHADASHOT** 

Chadashot is now archived on our website. In case you missed a week you can click [here](#) to view past issues.



"What an amazing program! So much information and so many knowledgeable student representatives under one roof!" These were some of the many positive comments heard after our annual Jewish Life on Campus Program, held Thursday night, December 22nd, for the junior parents and students of Torah Academy of Bergen County and Ma'ayanot. All felt privileged to hear from almost thirty student representatives and JLIC rabbis/educators, hailing from almost twenty OU-JLIC (Jewish Learning Initiative on Campus) affiliated universities, including such varied schools as Princeton, Cornell, SUNY at Binghamton, Cooper Union, New York University, Columbia/Barnard, University of Pennsylvania, Drexel, University of Chicago, Brandeis, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, Johns Hopkins, University of Maryland, Rutgers, Queens, Hunter and, of course, Yeshiva University. The presentation was followed by an informal question and answer period in the gym. Both students and parents appreciated each student highlighting what makes his/her college "Jewishly" unique, with many in the audience filling their programs with notes and others staying late into the evening to ask their specific questions of the many students and JLIC rabbis who participated in the evening. It was both gratifying and heartwarming to see so many TABC and Ma'ayanot alumni, representing a full range of prestigious colleges and talking animatedly about the shiurim, minyanim and other Jewish-related activities that they make it their business to seek out and participate in, no matter which college they attend. Anyone watching so many intelligent and exemplary Jewish youth speaking so eloquently about the Jewish life they have chosen to either participate in or fundamentally create within the colleges of their choice would have been proud. Most of the colleges have JLIC rabbi educators on their campuses as well, who are sent from the OU and work in partnership with Hillel, to help college students navigate the college environment and balance their Jewish commitments with their desire to engage in the secular world. The program was jointly organized by the College Guidance Departments of TABC and Ma'ayanot, through the diligent work of Dr. Carol Master, also Chair of the English Department at TABC, and Ms. Leebie Mallin, Director of College Guidance at Ma'ayanot. Our Head of School Rabbi Yablok and Ma'ayanot Principal Mrs. Kahan introduced the evening, that was attended by Dr. Garry Katz, Director of College Guidance at TABC and Dr. Elliot Prager, also part of the TABC College Guidance Department. Rabbi Gideon Black, Director of Professional Recruitment and Leadership Development at the Jewish Learning Initiative on Campus (JLIC), explained JLIC's purpose. As a strong

testament to all that JLIC does on college campuses, many of the JLIC educators, Tali Weiss of Binghamton, Rabbi Chaim Finson of Cornell, Mrs. Channah Cohen of Queens College, Rabbi Frieberg of Rutgers and our alumnus Rabbi Noam Friedman of Columbia, also attended. Dr. Katz and Dr. Master had recently met and had the opportunity to discuss the full picture of Jewish life on college campuses with these and other rabbi/educators at the OU-JLIC Conference held on December 15th in New York.

## Chumash Y13 - Parshat Vayeishev

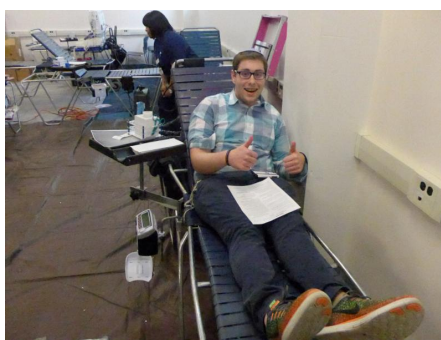
Ever wonder about the meaning of the dots that Soferim (scribes) traditionally place above certain words in the Torah? Rabbi Dr. Schnall's Chumash class spent several days exploring the meaning of the dots that appear in Parshat Bamidbar, as well as the dots that appear in many of the Parshiyot in Sefer Bereishit that we read this time of year. For example, ask your son to explain to you what the dots in Parshat Vayeishev tell us about the intentions of Yosef's brothers in Shechem that we read about this week.

## TABC Blood Drive a Huge Success

On Wednesday TABC held its annual Chanukah blood drive. It was a resounding success with an amazing turnout! Nearly sixty students, faculty, and community members joined together to give the gift of life. The collective amount of blood donated at TABC will be used to treat over 200 patients who require blood transfusions.

We would like to thank the New York Blood Center staff for facilitating the drive. Thank you to Nurse Linda, Nurse Nancy, and the blood drive committee for coordinating the whole event. Thank you to Chopstix, Chickie's, EJ's, Poppy's, Dunkin Donuts, and Schnitzel Plus for sponsoring the event. A special thank you goes out to all who donated blood!  
HAPPY CHANUKAH!!





## College Guidance Department Meets With Tenth Graders

This week the College Guidance Department completed a series of sectional meetings with the tenth grade students. The meetings enlightened the students on what colleges look at when they are trying to decide which students to accept. We discussed the transcript, standardized testing, extra-curricular activities, recommendations, service and the need for students to distinguish themselves in some way. We invited students to feel free to speak with a member of the college guidance staff about questions relative to summer programs, testing and activities. Tenth grade parents should mark their calendars for Monday, February 13. On that night we will host our annual Tenth Grade Parents Guidance Night. We hope you will all join us.

## TABC Students to Spend Summer at Yale University

The Tikvah Institute's Summer Program for High School students is held annually at Yale University. The highly competitive intellectual program focuses on Judaism and Modernity. We are proud to announce that Samuel Schwartz '17 has been accepted to the prestigious program early decision for the summer of 2017. University-style seminars will be taught by leading academic, political, and religious scholars and practitioners, drawing upon the riches of the Western and Jewish tradition to consider some of the great dilemmas of the modern age. This is the first year the prestigious program had an early decision option and we are proud that one of our students was accepted. Students from Jewish schools across the country apply to this program and TABC is proud that we will also be having a number of students apply, and hopefully be accepted, from the regular application pool.

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