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## Book Day 2016 is one for the Books



Book Day 2016 was simply fantastic! The entire school - students, administration, faculty and staff - read *The Other Wes Moore* by Wes Moore and then gathered to discuss the book and its lessons. With the opening [video remarks by U.S. Senator Cory Booker](#), to the thought provoking and uplifting Keynote Address by former Rutgers football player Eric LeGrand, each participant was moved and inspired. The myriad of choices of morning workshops offered something for everyone. In an example of pure integration, both our Judaic and secular departments volunteered to present sessions, in addition to outside presenters who included physicians, lawyers, military associates, professors and clinicians, a number of them TABC parents. [Please click here](#) to see the breadth of topics and the impressive biographies of our presenters. A beautiful thing about Book Day is how it serves as a paradigm for the ideals of Torah U Mada that TABC subscribes to so passionately. The discussions wove together both Torah sources and ideas from several disciplines of Western culture, each informing and enriching the understanding of the other. The afternoon sessions on Preventing Abusive Relationships (presented by Project S.A.R.A.H.) and Heroin and Opiate Abuse (by the Bergen County Prosecutor's Office) were eye-opening and started some important conversations. We rounded out the day with a [video made especially for TABC by Wes Moore, the author](#), and words from our own Coach Oz (a personal friend of author Wes Moore) and former NBA player Kenny Satterfield. Book Day 2016, organized by our librarian Mrs. Moskovits and English Chairperson Dr. Master, was outstanding - truly one for the books! You can [click here for captioned photos](#), which will give you a fuller picture of this wonderful day, and also show you each presenter and his or her topic.

## Sunday Learning

Sunday morning shiur with Rabbi Wiener is on!

8:50 AM Donuts & OJ  
9 - 9:45 AM Shiur  
in the Auxiliary Lunch Room

Join us and you get 1.5 hours of Night Seder Credit!

## Coach Bobby is Visiting Author at Moriah



The Moriah School invited our very own Coach Bobby Kaplan, author of the children's book "Hoopsters: Don't Be a Bully", to address their fourth and fifth grade students. Moriah, as had other elementary schools in the Bergen County area, integrated Coach K's second book into their anti-bullying curriculum.

Coach Bobby Kaplan took the students on a journey of how a book is developed and published. He also reviewed important bullying issues and possible solutions.

"Hoopsters: Don't be a Bully" is up for two national children's book awards and is the first in a planned series of books to help kids deal with contemporary situations. Coach Kaplan is also the author of the award winning publication "BBall Basics for Kids." The book is a step-by-step handbook

## Rav Soloveitchik, the Sa'ir HaMishtalei'ach and The Other Wes Moore

A special benefit of this past Tuesday's Book Day, dedicated to analyzing *The Other Wes Moore*, was a special opportunity to present Rav Soloveitchik's explanation of the Sa'ir HaMishtalei'ach which appears in an article entitled "Man is Vulnerable", printed in volume one of *Reflections of the Rav*; this piece may be accessed online [here](#).

The match between *The Other Wes Moore* and what Rav Soloveitchik called the psychodrama of the Sa'ir HaMishtalei'ach is particularly stunning and striking. Two men grow up in similar circumstances - one merges a spectacular success and the other a dramatic failure - similar to the contrasting fates of the two Se'irim of Yom Kippur. In his presentation, Rabbi Jachter presented classic explanations of the Sa'ir HaMishtalei'ach, the centerpiece of the Yom Kippur ritual in the Beit HaMikdash, and topped off the shiur with Rav Soloveitchik's approach. Students gained a new appreciation for the depth and profundity of the Torah and to respect even those Mitzvot for which an explanation is not readily accessible.

## Rosh Chodesh Adar Chagiga

Rosh Chodesh Adar Bet started with a spirited davening led by Etan Katz and enjoyed by all. After breakfast, everyone headed back upstairs for a Chagiga which was filled with music and dancing, students and faculty members celebrating together, and lots of smiles, laughter, and ruach!

[Click here](#) for more photos, and [here](#) for photos of the impromptu kumzitz which followed.



## TABC Model Congress Delegation Impresses All

featuring "Hoops," a playful, basketball-loving cartoon friend who shows kids of all ages important skills and the right way to play the game.

Prior to ending the sessions at Moriah, Coach Kaplan entertained questions from the students. He also asked the group for their suggestions of topics for his next book. Teamwork and fitness/nutrition were the main themes.



TABC's delegation of fourteen congressmen descended on Capitol Hill, the Young Israel of Woodmere, last Thursday for the Yeshiva League Model Congress. TABC students represented

our school and country well as they debated the myriad issues facing our country with their peers from ten other local yeshiva high schools and deliberated the passage of bills that would shape our country's future course. **Each student prepared his own written bill and had the opportunity to orally present and defend his bill in his respective committee.** Special congratulations to **Adam Baron '17 and Zachary Ottenstein '17** for being awarded Best Delegate golden gavels in their respective committees. In addition, special kudos to **Captain Matan Leff '16** who over his four years of participating in Model Congress has earned three Best Delegate golden gavels and an Honorable Mention. Matan's enthusiasm and generous devotion of his time, energy, and expertise toward helping his teammates prepare for the meet have set the standard of selfless devotion. His stewardship of our delegation will be sorely missed next year. For more pictures [click here](#).

### TABC Freshman Earned Honorable Mention in Scholastic Art & Writing Awards



Mazal Tov to Ned Krasnopolsky on his earning of Honorable Mention (Personal Essay/Memoir) in the prestigious Scholastic Art & Writing Awards, presented by the Alliance for Young Artists and Writers! **Ned submitted an essay entitled "The Bus to Labola", which he had written for Mrs.**

**Edelman's English class.**

Nearly 320,000 works were submitted for this contest, and only the top 40% receive any type of recognition. Kudos, Ned, for being in that elite group!

## TABC Students Heading to Top Yeshivot in Israel

The Rambam in Hilchot Talmud Torah very eloquently describes how Talmud Torah is incumbent on all of us as a life-long endeavor. TABC is very proud that, on average, over 90% of its students choose to continue learning in Israel after they graduate. This year, a large group, spanning all levels of shirium in TABC were accepted to **Hesder yeshivot**, 13 to **Shaalvim**, 10 to **Hakotel**, 8 to **Har Etzion (Gush)**, 2 to **Birkat Moshe (Maaleh Adumim)** and 1 to **Kerem B'Yavneh**. Talmidim were also accepted to Eretz Hatzvi, Torat Shraga, Reishit, Mevaseret, Lev HaTorah, Maaleh Gilboa, Migdal Hatorah, Aish Hatorah, Orayta, Netiv Aryeh and Torah Vaavoda. Rav Moshe Taragin, Ra"m at Yeshivat Har Etzion, observed that "TABC equips its talmidim with an impressive sweep of Torah knowledge, a love for talmud Torah and an appreciation of the methodologies to study Torah. Additionally TABC talmidim are imbued with a passion for Israel, responsibility to community and civic mindedness, and sensitivity to the importance of chesed." TABC looks forward to nachat from its talmidim as they continue to grow as bnei Torah. Mazal tov!

## TABC Continues Success in the New Jersey Math League

Torah Academy performed admirably on the fifth competition of the New Jersey Math League. **Our score has enabled us to place second in Bergen County. We are a high scoring school in the state of New Jersey.** Yehuda Koslowe has been cited as a high scoring student in the state. We continue to hold

### Important Notice

Daylight Saving Time begins on Sunday. As such, dismissal for all students is at 5:30, and **we will no longer daven Ma'ariv at school.**

### Friday Night Oneg

March 11  
at the home of  
Rabbi & Mrs. Steven Finkelstein  
88 Lee Place, Bergenfield

All students are invited for delicious food, divrei Torah, and hanging out with friends.  
8:30 - 10:00 PM

### 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

### Upcoming Events

March 18-19  
Pre-Purim Shabbaton

March 23  
Ta'anit Esther  
2:00 Dismissal

March 23  
Purim at TABC

March 24  
Purim  
No Sessions

March 31  
End of 3rd Quarter

April 21 - May 1  
Pesach Vacation

### Parnas HaYom

the position of first place of all Yeshivot in the metropolitan area. We wish to commend **Yehuda Koslowe '17**, who achieved the highest score. Congratulations to the students who tied for the second highest score. They are **Jared Benjamin '16, Zachary Greenberg '16, Hillel Koslowe '17, Jacob Rosenberg '17, and Meir Jacobs '17**. Thank you to all members of the TABC Math League whose efforts have bought honor to our school.

## 11th Grade Recreates the 1919 Peace Process at Versailles

What would you have considered to be the most important issues to be addressed if you had the opportunity to participate in the peace process held at Versailles in 1919? After completing their World War I unit and prior to examining the actual Treaty of Versailles, students in **Mrs. Reichardt's 11R American History class took on the roles of various leaders and war veterans from several of the nations attending the conferences (including the one nation left out, Germany) in a "Round Table" debate.** Throughout this inquiry based learning project the students engaged in stimulating discussion, debate and negotiations. Various "representatives" came up with some very viable proposals for the treaty. Mrs. Reichardt was quite impressed with their grasp of all the concepts and issues at stake. Kudos to the students of 11R!

## Rabbi Grossman's Classes Make Siyumim

Mazal Tov to Rabbi Grossman's Y3 and Y12 Gemara shiurim for completing the 4th Perek of Brachot. The Y12 siyum catered with Dougie's delights was held on Wednesday afternoon in the STORM Café to celebrate this great accomplishment. Rabbi Grossman spoke to the students about the power of prayer, after which they began the 7th Perek which deals with Birkat Hamazon. On Thursday morning the Y3 siyum was held at Poppy's ushering in the happy month of Adar Shenei on a great note. May the boys continue to advance in their Torah study, which they enjoy in Rabbi Grossman's Shiurim.



## Yom Iyun at Museum of Jewish Heritage in NYC

On Monday, March 7th, students in the twelfth grade Holocaust

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## Rabbi Jachter Being Honored by Project S.A.R.A.H



Mazal Tov to our own Rabbi Chaim Jachter, who will receive the **Rabbinical Support Award at the upcoming Project S.A.R.A.H 10th Annual Breakfast**

Sunday April 3rd 2016, 9:30-11:30am, at Congregation Keter Torah.

The event is free and babysitting as well as valet parking will be provided. For

Studies class had a special Yom Iyun at the Museum of Jewish Heritage in New York City. Accompanied by their teacher, Mrs. Cary Reichardt, the class participated in an educational and inspirational day of inquiry and learning. The entire day would not have been possible without the efforts of the Museum's Manager of Educational Programs and former TABC parent, Dr. Paul Radensky, father of Asher '11 and Binyomin '15. Our day began with an exhibition tour of the core exhibit "**Meeting Hate with Humanity**," when the group was divided and led by gallery educators, Florence Gurell and Blimie Twerski. Both educators were extremely impressed with the students' knowledge and what they recalled from their studies this year.

After a delicious catered lunch in the beautiful boardroom overlooking the most spectacular and appropriate view of the Statue of Liberty and Ellis Island, the class was most privileged to have a session with **Holocaust survivor, Mrs. Sally Frishberg**, whose testimony absolutely "blew them away!" Like many survivors, at the end of the session, Sally reminded the boys that after hearing her testimony, they have now become the next generations' witnesses. After davening mincha overlooking the site where many of our ancestors experienced their first tastes of freedom, Dr. Radensky led students on a tour of the special exhibit

"**Seeking Justice: The Leo Frank Case Revisited**," a painful yet not very well known chapter of American Jewish History. The day was topped off with a bit of pop culture as our "starstruck" students had the opportunity to witness filming of a popular television series right outside the Museum (and even a few good photo opps!) before boarding the buses headed back to TABC. All the students commented what a wonderful experience the entire day was. Todah Rabbah to Dr. Radensky and his staff!



## TABC Boys *STORM* NYC for Chessed During the Midnight Run

The Navi Yishayahu, in the perek that is read as the haftorah on Yom Kippur, advises us that "when we see someone lacking clothing, we should provide clothing for them." TABC, in conjunction with the organization Midnight Run, **distributed clothing to the homeless and impoverished communities of New York**. Seniors Meir Tolchin and Eitan Schneier organized the entire event. They first collected clothing from the Teaneck community and then organized and sorted all of it into different boxes. A group of 11 students went to the city and distributed the boxes at three different stops. Chessed coordinator Rabbi Michael Hoenig noted that "our boys acted like incredible bnei Torah and showed great sensitivity to all the people. It was a huge kiddush Hashem! For more photos, [click here](#).

reservations:  
www.ProjectSARAH.org

Project S.A.R.A.H. (Stop Abusive Relationships At Home) provides services and resources for Jewish victims of domestic violence and sexual abuse throughout the state of New Jersey.



## Follow us on Facebook!

Facebook is a wonderful way to see exciting snapshots of what's going on in TABC between issues of Chadashot. Follow us by clicking Like [here](#).

## Tweeting Up A STORM!

Please follow the Students Activities Page on Twitter [@TABC Activities](#). Rabbi Miretzky, our new Student Activities Director, will be tweeting all about the excitement going on at TABC.

## Seeking Parent Volunteers

Family involvement at TABC is critical to our success. We are so grateful for the contributions that parents and alumni make of their time, skills and resources. We invite you to participate by joining one of our active committees for this school year. Please click [here](#) to see how you can get involved.

## TABC Torah Available Globally

Each week a new D'var Torah

## Seniors Impress at Maker Expo

TABC was so proud of our students as they presented their model on the "**Secret Knock Detector**". Three of our 12th grade engineering students, Yosef Kagedan, Yehuda Fuksbrumer, and David Rabinovich, united all aspects of engineering in this project. They learned to work efficiently as a group, mastered circuitry techniques and mastered coding in wiring/C++.



This resulted in a Secret Knock Detector. In a word - a bolt lock that opened given a programmed knock pattern on the door. A sophisticated and rather long computer code commands a bolt lock to open via an ARDUINO board interfaced to a servo motor and speaker.

## TABC STORM Varsity Hockey Advance to Finals

By Jonah Ganchrow



Monday night March 7th brought a thriller varsity hockey semifinal game to the Weather Center between the long time rivals the Frisch Cougars and the TABC Storm. Fans from both sides piled in early and by the time the puck dropped it was standing room only. The Storm

came out firing with a quick stuff in by captain Yair Knoller on the first shift of the game. Later in the period, TABC defenseman Joe Moskowitz intercepted a pass and fired one past the Frisch goaltender Matt Reinhart to give TABC a 2-0 lead. In the second period, Frisch came out extremely strong. After coincidental

by one of our esteemed faculty members will be available online at [www.yutorah.org/tabc](http://www.yutorah.org/tabc). The series is well under way, so check it out!



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

### TABC at YU's Red Sarachek Tournament

The TABC Storm Varsity Basketball team scored an epic win in the first round of the Sarachek Tournament, topping the RASG Warriors (Miami) with a score of 58-60 in overtime. Gavi Smith scored a last second 3 to propel TABC into the next round. Unfortunately, the Storm lost to the undefeated DRS Wildcats 34-31 today. The Wildcats were favored to win, but TABC put up a great fight until the very end. We can't wait for Storm Basketball to return in the fall! Read more about it in [this article](#) by TABC's own Jack Ganchrow.

### Tomchei Shabbos Purim Cards

minor penalties on both teams, Yair Knoller made a series of beautiful moves to score a 3 on 3 goal and extend the lead to 3. Excellent goaltending by both Matt Reinhart of Frisch, who made a pair of beautiful glove saves, and Shua Beilin of TABC, who was strong all night, kept the score the same heading into the third period. Frisch right off the bat cut the lead to two on a beautiful breakaway goal by Brian Alter. Frisch kept the onslaught on through the first half of the period with chances from Yehuda Brinn, Stevie Brinn and Jordan Soclof, all stopped by Shua Beilin. Later in the period, Zach Rothenberg cleaned up a rebound in front to put the lead back at three. **The Storm took the 4-1 victory and will travel to Lawrence Middle School on March 13th to play the HAFTR Hawks. Come cheer us on on Sunday at 2:15!**

## TABC Alumni Among Regional Champs

This year, for the first time, YU has a roller hockey team. Four key members were former TABC Storm Hockey players. They are: Benjy Shulman '13, Donny Fuchs '12, Etan Bardash '12, and Yosef Robin '13 (MVP).

The team made a tremendous kiddush Hashem by winning the championship on Sunday because they wouldn't play on Shabbos, and so all games had to be Sunday doubleheaders. You can read more about this exciting turn of events in this [Jewish Link article](#).



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