



Bais Medrash Govoah's Annual Shivti Yarchei Kallah

Hundreds of men from a cross-section of North America spent two days of intense Torah learning at the 4th Annual Bais Medrash Govoah Yarchei Kallah at the Hyatt Regency.

The yarchei kallah commenced on *Motzoei Shabbos* with a *mela-va malka* featuring musical accompaniment by Shaul Waldner. Rav Dovid Schustal, *rosh yeshiva* of Bais Medrash Govoah, opened the event, expressing admiration for the attendees. Rav Chaim Yisroel Weinfeld introduced the *limud*.

What followed for the next two days was complete immersion in the *sugya d'kallah*, *Sechirus Poalim*.

The acclaimed Shivti style of mapping out a complex *sugya* was appreciated by the participants. A common theme heard from a number of participants was that without the *yarchei kallah*, they would never be able to master such important *halachic* topics.

On Sunday evening, Rav Zev Cohen, *rov* of Kahal Adas Yeshurun and *rosh kollel* of Kollel Choshen Mishpat in Chicago, delivered a *shiur*.

The yarchei kallah concluded on a high note Monday evening with the participation of Rav Aryeh Malkiel Kotler, *rosh yeshiva* of Bais Medrash Govoah, and Rav Shimon Alster, *rosh yeshiva* of Yeshiva Gedolah of Cliffwood and *rov* of Bais Medrash Torah U'tefilla in Flatbush.

Rav Alster, who leads a weekly Shivti *chaburah* at his *shul* in Flatbush, shared *divrei chizuk*, stressing that the way to ensure that our children excel in learning is to lead by example in our own Torah study, as the participants had clearly done over the two-day event.

As the over 400 attendees headed back to their daily lives, many were already anticipating next year's yarchei kallah, offering suggestions and recommendations of other areas of *halacha* to explore.



LAKESWOOD COMMUNAL CALENDAR

JANUARY 2017

- 1/28 Mesivta Meor Hatorah (Rav Shabsi Brody) Inaugural Parlor Meeting Melava Malka, 8 p.m., 1454 Canterbury Road
- 1/28 Yeshiva Tiferes Torah Annual Dinner, Lake Terrace Hall
- 1/28 Bnos Devorah Ninth Anniversary Dinner, N'eemas Hachaim Hall
- 1/29 Bais Tova 17th Anniversary Dinner, N'eemas Hachaim Hall

FEBRUARY 2017

- 2/1 Bonei Olam of Lakewood Reception, 6:30 p.m., Lake Terrace Hall
- 2/4 Yeshiva Chemdas Hatorah 10th Anniversary Mesivta Dormitory Completion Dinner, at Yeshiva Chemdas Hatorah, 950 Massachusetts Avenue
- 2/11 Tomchei Shabbos of Lakewood Annual Dinner

- 2/12 SCHI 22nd Annual Dinner, Fountain Ballroom
- 2/12 Yeshiva Ketana of Lakewood 30th Annual Dinner, Ateres Reva Hall
- 2/12 Yeshiva Yesodei Hatorah 22nd Anniversary Dinner, Lake Terrace Hall
- 2/15 Yeshiva Even Yisroel Annual Dinner, Bais Yaakov Hall, 227 James Street
- 2/25 Mesivta Ohr Chaim Meir 5th Annual Dinner Melava Malka, Bnos Devorah Hall

- 2/25 Yeshiva Emek Halacha 5th Annual Melava Malka

- 2/26 Adelphia Yeshiva Annual Awards Dinner

MARCH 2017

- 3/4 Yeshiva Kol Torah Annual Dinner, 8 p.m., Ne'emas Hachaim Hall
- 3/4 Yeshiva Nesivos Hatorah Inaugural Melava Malka Dinner

Note: Anyone wishing to schedule an event in Lakewood is asked to please check with the community calendar to see which dates are available, so that no two major events will conflict with each other. Call Mrs. Mueller at 732.364.0741.

THE PCS JOB-SEEKER'S GUIDE

A SERIES PRESENTED BY PROFESSIONAL CAREER SERVICES (PCS)

Q and A with Moishe Tyberg, Director of Job Placement, NY

Can you tell us about the current job market?

A: The job market remains competitive and you really need to be aggressive and get out there in order to land an interview at a decent company.

How do you direct job seekers to a fitting job?

A: We try to glean, as much as possible, what the candidates' interests are and see if we have anything that is applicable. If we don't have a job that is a "perfect fit," we will see what is similar or where the candidates' skills are transferrable to a different field.

What skills are employers looking for?

A: Well, every employer's needs are different, but I will say this: The more proficient you are in certain basic office software - i.e., QuickBooks, excel, Peachtree, Amazon, etc. - the more value you have to a business.

What tips do you have for job seekers?

A: Network and network some more. Don't be embarrassed to call up friends and family and tell them that you are looking for a job. I find that networking is invaluable.

What skills are important for employees in order to get promoted in a company?

A: Ambition is good, but not good enough. People don't get promoted because they want to; they get promoted by going above and beyond.

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