



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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48 Edgemount Road Edison, NJ 08817

Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi

Robert Kreitman - President

Parshas Vayetze

Candlelighting: 4:28 PM
Mincha: 4:35 PM
Shacharis: 7:45, 9:00 & 9:15 AM
Rabbi Hoffman's Shiur after Hashkama
Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA): 9:09 AM
Rabbi Luban's Gemara Sotah Shiur: 3:30 PM
Mincha: 1:30 & 4:20 PM
Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Rav Yosef Bronfeld

Maariv: 5:30 PM
Weekday Shacharis:
Sunday 7:15, 8 & 9 AM
Mon. & Thur 6:20, 7:05, 8 AM
Tues., Wed., Fri. 6:30, 7:10, 8 AM
Weekday Mincha/ Maariv: 4:30 PM
Weekday Maariv 7:30 & 10:10 PM

Rabbi Luban's Sheilos U'teshuvos Shiur:
Monday 9:10 PM, Tuesday Tehillim: 9:50 PM
Wednesday Night Kollel Learning: 8-10:10 PM

DAF YOMI SCHEDULE FOR WINTER:

Shabbos Morning – 8:15 AM and/ or after hashkama. Sunday: After 8 AM Shacharis
 Monday – Thursday: after 7:30 Maariv
 The Daf Yomi is starting a new Masechta this Sunday Nov 10, Maseches Yumah. It is an ideal time to start Daf Yomi.

KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP

Kiddush sponsorship is available for November 23rd & 30th and December 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th. To sponsor a Kiddush or reserve the Kiddush room, please contact Mel Barenholtz in person, or by phone or email: mbarenh@yahoo.com. To sponsor a Shalosh Seudos, please contact Moshe Wiesel.

OHR TORAH NEWSLETTER

To subscribe to these Announcements, please see the Ohr Torah website: www.ohrtorah.net

BUILDING DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIES

Contact Moshe Schneider at 732-618-4702 or at 8848 (cell), reenagreenspan@yahoo.com or Gene Wasserman 732-397-0130 or genew@compugene.com or mschneider19@yahoo.com.

TREE OF LIFE and/or YAHRZEIT PLAQUES

To dedicate a Yahrzeit Plaque or a Leaf for the Lobby EitzChayim Tree, please contact Moish Nat by sending a detailed fax with all dedicatory wording to 732-759-8558. For more info, call Moish at 732-759-8070 during work days or 732-572-4132 in the evening.

SEFORIM DEDICATIONS

Book/Seforim Dedications of all types are available contact Barry Siegel siegelbad@optonline.net.

HOUSEKEEPING

For housekeeping issues and inquiries contact Lou Smith at ludeeju@gmail.com or 732-572-5633.

OHR TORAH YOUTH PROGRAM EVENTS

Children can register for events on Ohr Torah's website "ohrtorah.net" or by calling Mayer Berg at 732-572-3429.

REFUAH SHLEIMAH LEARNING

Please see the Ohr Torah website, www.ohrtorah.net, for the various schedules of learning as a Z'chus for a RefuahShleimah for members of our shul and community.

FUNERAL/ SHIVA ANNOUNCEMENTS

For funeral and Shiva email and phone mail announcements contact Reena Greenspan 732-828-5642 (home) 732-678-8848 (cell), reenagreenspan@yahoo.com or Gene Wasserman 732-397-0130 or genew@compugene.com

E-MAIL LIST

To get on the Ohr Torah e-mail list, please contact Gene Wasserman at genew@compugene.com.

6 Kislev 5774

MAZEL TOV

... to Mildred and Irwin Goldblatt on the birth of a great granddaughter, Yaffa Leebea, to their grandchildren Gila and Yechiel Gildin. Mazel Tov to the grandparents Rabbi Eli and Naomi Radinsky and Rabbi Yisroel and Devorah Gildin, to the great aunts and uncles Miriam and Mark Goldblatt and Sarah and Steven Rand and to all of the siblings and cousins.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush is being sponsored by Mira and Mark Epstein in commemoration of the Yahrzeit of Mark's mother, Tzippa Hana bas R' Moshe Meir A"H.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is cosponsored by:
 -Rivka and Joel Adler in memory of the Yahrzeit of Joel's father William Adler, Zev ben Shmuel Halevi A"H
 -Lorraine and Ira Spiler in memory of the Yahrzeit of Lorraine's father Marcus Amigo Mordechai ben Avraham A"H

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

The next Membership Meeting will take place on Tues., Nov. 12 at 8:45 PM. On the Agenda will be a discussion and a vote on the Chazzan for Yamim Noraim. Please attend this most important meeting.

TEEN MINYAN

The Teen Minyan would like to welcome R' Yosef Bronfeld, a Rebbe in Yeshivat Reishit Yerushalayim, who is joining us this Shabbos. R' Bronfeld has taught many boys from our Shul and community. Friday night R' Bronfeld will be hosting a Teen Tisch/oneg at the Schanzer home, 25 Perry Road. He will be Davening and speaking at the Teen Minyan on Shabbos day and will be speaking at the Shul Shalosh Seudos. It will be an uplifting Shabbos for all of us.

OHR TORAH YOUTH DEPT NEWS

-On Motzei Shabbat Nov. 9th starting at 6:45 PM until 8 PM at Cong Ohr Torah, the Youth Department will have a fun pre-Chanukah dance program for girls in grades 1 thru 5. For girls, Marla Rottenstreich will lead your girls in Zumba and Line Dancing with lively music and other surprises. In addition we will have a Make your own Ice Cream Sundae with many flavors of ice cream and toppings to choose from. The cost is just \$12 per child in advance or \$15 at the door.

-On Motzei Shabbat Nov 16th at 6:15PM sharp, Ohr Torah Youth are headed by school bus to the Arenas at Woodbridge (formerly United Skates of America) for a fun

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evening of roller skating. We will return to the Shul at 9:15 PM...cost is \$20 per child in advance or \$25 at the door. Price includes bus transportation to/from facility, 1 1/2 hour use of roller skating/blading rink, roller skate or blade rentals, 10 tokens per child for use at the arcade games in the arena and snacks/drinks at the facility.

-Lastly, on Wednesday night Nov 27th, the very first night of Chanukah, Ohr Torah will have a Grand Chanukah dinner and celebration. This is sure to be a fun evening for families...children, parents and grandparents are all invited to usher in Chanukah, the Ohr Torah way. Cost is \$10 per person or \$36 per family which includes one raffle ticket for each family member. In addition, sponsorships of \$50 and \$100 are available as well.

If you would like to be a sponsor for our Chanukah program please contact Mayer Berg via email marcgberg@verizon.net. You can pay via Paypal using youth@ohrtorah.net or checks can be dropped off at the home of Mayer Berg @15 Edgemount Road in Edison. Any questions...contact Mayer Berg at marcgberg@verizon.net.

BNEI AKIVA

Bnei Akiva this week will start at 3:30 PM at Ohr Torah.

LUBAN SHEVA BRACHOS

We would like to invite you to join us in participating in a Sheva Brachot in honor of Nachman and Malki Luban on Tuesday, November 19th at 7:30 PM at Congregation Ohr Torah. We are asking each person that plans to attend to contribute \$25 (\$50 per couple). For those who cannot attend- but would like to participate- all contributions will be appreciated and acknowledged at the event. Please RSVP by emailing Lil Lansey at LLansey@gmail.com and drop off your check made out to CASH to the Lansey home at 17 Marshall Drive by Wednesday Nov. 13th. For more information please contact Nitza Adler, Lynn Hanfling, Lil Lansey or Riki Kreitman.

OT POLAND PILGRIMAGE

OT is excited to announce its First Community Poland Pilgrimage Journey which will take place this summer. The intensive 7 day journey will focus on the rich life and heritage of Polish Jewry as well as very meaningful visits to the major sites of the Shoah. Participants who have family roots in Poland and family stories from the Shoah, will have the opportunity to influence the itinerary and programming. Rabbi Luban will

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 PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR MORE OHR TORAH INFORMATION**

Be'ezrat Hashem be joining us on this very special trip.
For more details contact Nitza Adler at 732-819-9294

SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

-Peter & Rachele Kassai in memory of Pesul Weisz Z"L

-Honey & Max Wisotsky in memory of Marcia Freedman's father Chaim Hartman Z"L.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

RPRY MISHMAR PROGRAM STARTS THIS SATURDAY NIGHT

Mishmar learning program is held at RPRY every Motzei Shabbat @ 7:00 Please bring your own seforim. Cost is still only \$3.00 which includes, pizza, donuts, prizes and raffles

SPIRITUALITY: DEALING WITH LIFE'S MOST SERIOUS CHALLENGES ON 11/9

What do you say to someone who has just witnessed a serious crime? Rabbi Cary Friedman has had to do this countless times with the FBI and law enforcement to counter their daily involvement with heart-wrenching situations. The Orthodox Forum has asked Rabbi Friedman to speak at Congregation Etz Ahaim on Nov 9, at 8pm. The program is free of charge. The Orthodox Forum gladly accepts season sponsorships, as well as program sponsorships. For more info and a copy of the event flier visit our new website orthodoxjewishforum.org.

HP/EDISON WELCOMING

COMMITTEE MELAVE MALKA FOR WOMEN-

Thanks to our overwhelmingly successful pre-Sukkos women's get-together we are following it up with a (women only please) Melave Malka on Motzai Shabbos, Nov 9th at 7:30 pm at the home of Zev and Rachele Stern, 474 Lincoln Ave, HP. If you are new to town or have been here for a while but want to play a part in helping the welcoming committee embrace newcomers to our town and come up with and implement ways to make their transition easier, then please RSVP by calling Rikki Samel at (732) 249-5116 or emailing Rachelle_Stern@yahoo.com. Potluck dessert /salad buffet planned but please don't feel obligated to contribute.

MESIVTHA TIFERETH JERUSALEM MELAVE MALKA

The Annual Mesivtha Tifereth Jerusalem Melave Malka will be held on Motzei Shabbat, Nov 16, 2013, 8 PM at Ohav Emeth. The Guests of Honor are Mr. & Mrs. Arya Eisner, who will receive the Keser Shem Tov Award. Hagaon Harav Reuven Feinstein, Shlita will be the Guest Speaker. Please call Shimon Jakubovic for info and reservations at [732-246-1037](tel:732-246-1037).

KALEVER REBBE VISITS

The world famed Kalever Rebbe will be visiting the HP/Edison community on Sunday November 17th. The Rebbe will be available to give blessings, guidance, and advice to individuals and families. The Rebbe speaks English and Hebrew, and does not accept any donations. He will be davening Shacharis at Ahavas Yisrael at 8:15 am and receiving individuals from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm.

ONEG SHABBOS

There will be an Oneg shabbos for all Senior students, led by Rabbi Joel Bloom, from Yeshiva Ohr Yerushalayim, 7:30pm at the Bloom Home, 19 Fairhill Road, Edison NJ. All alumni are welcome.

CHAI LIFELINE

-Chai Lifeline is having its annual toy drive, in time for Chanukah. Please drop off toys at RPRY and Yeshiva Shaarei Tzion from 10/23 – 11/20/2013. All toys must be NEW. Please DO NOT WRAP GIFTS. Toys are needed for children of all ages, from newborn to teenagers. Age appropriate gifts for children ages 13 and up are especially needed. Donations gladly welcome. Make checks payable to Chai Lifeline and in memo indicate "toy fund". Send checks to Chai Lifeline, 106 Clifton Ave, Lakewood, NJ 08701, attention Rochel Medlowitz. For more information, please call Bobbi at [732-819-7842](tel:732-819-7842)

- You know you've *always* wanted to learn how to play Mah Jongg. When: Tuesday Dec 17th at 7:30 pm Where: Cong Ahavas Achim South 1st Ave HP Cost: \$25 per person or \$36 Sponsor. Checks payable to: Chai Lifeline . Please mail checks to: Sharon Zavodnick 325 N 3rd Ave, Highland Park, NJ 08904. Reservations required. Already know how to play? Bring your Mah Jongg playing friends and help support this worthwhile organization. let us know if you have a set we can borrow for the evening Questions? Call Sharon Zavodnick [732-828-4438](tel:732-828-4438) or Sharon Stern [732-777-7326](tel:732-777-7326)

ACTT

(Achieving Change Through Torah) program, now in its 8th year, helps individuals succeed in making meaningful and lasting changes in their lives. The source book for the entire year is: Step by Step compiled by Rabbi Dovid Weinberger. See the ACTT web-site, www.actt613.org, for the current Learning Schedule (Modules page) and for all the event audio presentations. For more info, e-mail info@actt613.org or call Phil Rosen [732-572-8762](tel:732-572-8762).

BRUCE JACOBI AND TEAM AY

Bruce Jacobi and Team AY are running again in this year's Philly 1/2 Marathon. Our good friend and neighbor from Edison, Zev Rosenberg, had a terrible work related accident, but Baruch Hashem, Zev is doing great now and also plans to run again together with his son Moshe. <http://www.avedison.org/teamaybjacobi.html> to donate on-line. Checks can also be made payable to Team AY, Cong AY or Cong OT. Donations are tax deductible.

CNJKIDS

-Change your oil for Chanukah - and provide the light of Torah to Jewish parents and children by helping mitigate future tuition increases at local Jewish day schools partnering with CNJKIDS. Starting Wednesday, November 27, 2013, Chanukah Eve, and for the following 8 days, get oil changes at Salit Auto Sales, at 1855 Woodbridge Avenue in Edison, New Jersey, and a percentage of the fee you pay will be donated to CNJKIDS. - The transfer of appreciated assets allows donors to support Central New Jersey Kehilot Investing in Day Schools, Inc. (CNJKIDS) while reducing exposure to capital gains taxes. Donors are also able to claim immediate income tax deductions for these gifts. For more info please contact CNJKIDS' Treasurer Jon Caplan at [732-249-8600](tel:732-249-8600).

AHAVAS ACHIM UNIVERSITY PRESENTS

THE FOUR NIGHTS OF CHANUKAH with Rabbi Daniel Feldman Tuesdays,, Nov. 12, 19 at 8pm. in

the Ahavas Achim Beit Midrash Rabbi Feldman is the spiritual leader of Ohr Saadya of Teaneck, NJ.

FOR WOMEN

-Park Mikvah: The Highland Park Mikvah is currently having its annual virtual tea. It is the only fundraiser for the local mikvah. If any woman did not receive an invitation, please leave a message at the mikvah, [732-249-2411](tel:732-249-2411). The mikvah has incurred many expenses this year, including a new water heater, new heating, ventilation, and air-conditioning system. Please respond generously. Tizcu l'mitzvos!

The Women's Learning Initiative can conduct a women's Torah class in your home. For more information on how to initiate a class, please call [908-208-7144](tel:908-208-7144).

-SemPlus shiur for post seminary girls on Wed, Nov. 13 at the Aguda, upstairs classroom. For more info, please call [908-420-0253](tel:908-420-0253).

-Mrs. Leah Drillman's Shimiras Haloshon class: Monday night, Nov. 11 from 7:30 to 8:15 PM at the home of Ellen Smith, 407 North Eighth Ave., Edison. For more info, please call Ellen at [201-410-1893](tel:201-410-1893) or [732-777-6787](tel:732-777-6787).

-Mrs. Miri Cohen's Parsha class: Monday, November 11 at 9AM at the home of Rikki Samel, 427 Dennison Street, Highland Park.

-Rebbitzen Eichenstein's classes for women: Tefillah class on Sunday, Nov. 10 at 10AM at Aguda shule; Parsha class on Monday, Nov 11 at 8PM at Cong Ohr Torah. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at [732-572-4408](tel:732-572-4408) siegelmom@optonline.net, Ricki Stern [732-828-6939](tel:732-828-6939) rickistern@yahoo.com

-Join women of all ages from the Highland Park/Edison community and beyond as we learn together at Rabbi Bassous's Sunday morning classes. We meet at Cong. Etz Ahaim, 230 Dennison Street, Highland Park 10-11 AM. We are now learning from the book "The Six Constant Mitzvos" by Rabbi Yitzchak Berkowitz. Join us at the class and start the year in a spiritually-charged way!

-Following classes are part of Women's Learning Tiferes, a Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation program for women, will meet Motzai Shabbos, November 16 at 9:15 PM at the home of Aviva Siegel, 16 Edgemont Road, Edison. An inspirational DVD will be shown. Title: Taming the Serpent; Speakers: Rabbi Ephraim Eliyahu Shapiro and Mrs. Miriam Swerdlov. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are also available to Tiferes members. Upcoming teleconferences: Relationships 101 – How to improve and deepen our relationships with the ones we love the most; Speaker: Mrs. Debbie Selengut. For more information or to become a member, please contact Aviva siegelmom@optonline.net or Debbie Schneider [732-572-4713](tel:732-572-4713). The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.

-We invite the ladies of the community to come see a large selection of wigs at discounted prices - available for a limited time only – from Sunday, Nov 10 – Sunday, Nov 17 Part of the proceeds will be donated to the Children's Fund. For more info, please contact Rikki Samel @ [732-249-5116](tel:732-249-5116).

-NEW WEDNESDAY MORNING SHIUR FOR WOMEN Ahavas Achim University presents a new shiur for women by Rabbi Miodownik on "Exploring the Siddur." Wednesday from 10:30-11:15 am. in the Beit Midrash.

- The Women's AMEN Group meets weekly on Sundays at 9:30 AM in a downstairs classroom at Cong Ohr Torah. The group meets in the zechus of a refuah shelaimah for Menachem Mordechai ben Ophira and other Cholim in the community -Collecting Sheitels: Keren Kol Kallah - established to provide orphan and destitute kallahs in Israel with essential needs. Donated custom sheitels, some brand-new, some gently worn, are sold to women in Israel who would not otherwise have the funds to buy a quality wig. All the money raised at the sale goes towards a hachnasas kallah fund which helps needy brides in Eretz Yisrael. Sheitels can be dropped off by Aviva, 16 Edgemount Road, Edison. For more info, please see contact Aviva Siegel (732) 572-4408 siegelmom@optonline.net

NCSY NEWS

1 All NCSY ers in 9th-12th grade are invited for an awesome Friday Night Oneg! 9-11pm at the Sacks' home 401 Montgomery St

2 This Motzi Shabbos we are having an all Girls Melav Malka! It's a 50's party and you're invited! Spend time with your friends and enjoy milkshakes and fries!! 8-10:30pm at the home of the Sacks'. Rsvp on fb!

3 Bible & BBQ every Tuesday from 7:30-9pm At Park Place! Come enjoy a free dinner and learn awesome Torah!

4. Did you sign up for Winter Regional yet!?? Winter Regional this December 5-8th!! Catch the early bird special for only \$249!! Sign up before this special ends at newjersey.ncsy.org For any questions, please feel free to contact Rifky at hpchapteroftheyear@gmail.com

5. Are you in Highland Park High School and want to meet other Jewish friends?! Come meet us every Thursday at 3, where we learn and enjoy ice cream together! This week we will be meeting at Dairy Deluxe!!

NEFESH B'NEFESH

Nefesh B'Nefesh presents Think Israel: A Conference for Students and Young Professionals. Think Israel will take place in Manhattan on Sunday, November 17th from 12:30-4:30pm at the Convene Conference Center with a special program for physicians and paramedical professionals. Visit the NBN website at www.nbn.org.il for more information and to register. We look forward to seeing you there!

EMPLOYMENT NETWORK OF RARITAN VALLEY

Looking for work? We can help. Go to www.ENRV.org or contact Bob Lansey at ENRVInfo@gmail.com. We post over 100 jobs each month, and help people with their resume and search strategies. Please help: If you know of any professional, part-time, or temporary job openings, please e-mail the info to ENRVInfo@gmail.com

-YIEB Seeks Office Manager
Salary is commensurate with experience. Please send cover letter and resume to jobs@yieb.org.

-The Jewish Educational Center of Elizabeth's Rav Teitz Mesivta Academy division seeks Part-time Hebrew language teacher for grades 9-10, Monday-Thursday between the hours of 3:00-5:30pm. Applicants must have appropriate educational training as well as past teaching experience. Please send resume and cover letter including salary expectations directly to phochbaum@thejec.org. No phone calls please.

FRISCH OPEN HOUSE

FRISCH OPEN HOUSE and PARLOR MEETING
The Frisch School invites all 8th graders and their parents to our Open House on Sunday, Nov 10th at 9 AM. Frisch is located at 120 West Century Road in Paramus, NJ. You may pre-register at openhouse.frisch.org. For more info, please call (201) 267-9100 x201 or admissions@frisch.org

- All 8th graders and their parents to a Parlor Meeting on Sunday, Nov 17th at 8 PM at the Rosenblatt home, 8 Harrison Ave.

JEC's RTMA HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

-RTMA - Rav Teitz Mesivta Academy Open House is Tuesday evening, November 12th at 7:00 pm. Location: RTMA - 330 Elmora Ave., Elizabeth, NJ

07208. Pre-registration appreciated but not required at www.RTMA.theJEC.org. Join us and learn about the RTMA's new leadership team and exciting! For questions and further info please call 908-355-4850, ext. 6254.

CAMP MOSHAVA PARLOR MEETING

Come explore Camp Moshava with Camp Director Alan Silverman, at the home of Suzanne and Jason Jurkevich, 8 Marshall Drive, Edison, on Tuesday, November 19 at 7:45 PM. New and returning families and campers welcome! Receive a \$50 Family Discount for Attending!

PARK MIKVAH

The Edison / Highland Park Mikvah will be open Sunday-Thursday 8:30-10:30pm, and Saturday night 7:30-10pm. Friday nights are BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. You must arrive and leave during regular Mikvah hours. Fee is \$20. OUT OF HOURS: additional \$20. For additional information or to schedule an appointment, please call 732-249-2411.

KEYLIM MIKVAH HOURS OF OPERATION

Ohr Torah Keylim Mikvah hours are, officially, 7:15 - 9:45 AM on Sunday mornings. Additionally, the Keylim Mikvah can be used when the Shul is open during Minyan hours. The Shul is locked (for security purposes) during non-Minyan hours. If you need special access, please speak to a Shul Gabbai. Please leave the area clean and neat.

LOCAL ERUV

Please call 732-247-ERUV for status of the Eruv.

Parshas Vayishlach	
Candlelighting	4:22 PM
Mincha	4:30 PM

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PLEASE NOTE: Please make sure that you leave a contact/callback name and phone # in case here is a question regarding the item you wish to be printed, otherwise it may not be included.

Sof Davar

Yissachar Dov Illowy (1814-1871)

by Dr. Moshe Sherman

Among the first talmidei chachamim to arrive in America in the mid 1800s was Yissachar Dov (Bernard) Illowy. His grandfather had been the Rav of Kolin, 35 miles east of Prague, where Illowy was born in 1814. He went to the famed yeshiva of Pressburg, (commonly known today as Bratislava, Slovakia) under the direction of the revered Rav and posek, R. Moshe Sofer, the Hatam Sofer. Following semicha, Illowy enrolled at the University of Budapest, where he completed graduate work in languages and classics.

When Illowy came to New York around 1852, he was the first ordained Orthodox rabbi in America to possess a Ph.D. degree. For almost twenty years, he served as congregational rabbi in several communities, including Philadelphia, St. Louis, New Orleans and Cincinnati.

The 1850s was a time when Reform Judaism was taking hold in America. Isaac Mayer Wise, Max Lillienthal and David Einhorn were among the leaders and spokesmen of Reform, inspiring synagogues across the country to change direction from Orthodoxy to Reform. Illowy emerged as an ardent defender of tradition, preaching, teaching and publishing articles in an attempt to preserve the traditional status quo.

In matters of halacha, Illowy was one of only a few learned individuals who could respond with competence and authority. From routine questions like the kashruth status of a Torah scroll in Cleveland to what type of image designs may or may not be used on tombstones, Illowy responded to halachic questions from people throughout the country. Some of his essays and legal discussions may be found in *The Occident* and the *Jewish Messenger*, newspapers that promoted Orthodox tradition, at that time. As well, a posthumous work titled *Sefer Milchamot Elohim: Letters and Casuistic Decisions of the late Rabbi Bernard Illowy* was published by his son in Berlin, 1914. It is a rare volume, which I happily have in my library.

Sadly, Illowy's life was brought to an untimely end, when he was killed in a horse-drawn carriage accident. He died on June 21, 1871 leaving a wife, three sons and a daughter and is buried at the cemetery grounds of Congregation Shearith Israel in Cincinnati.