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# Announcements

This week at The Lori Schottenstein Chabad Center



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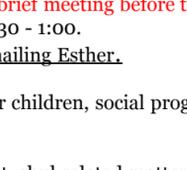
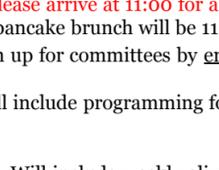
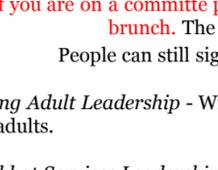
Though your support we will be celebrating the very first High Holidays in our newly built Lori Schottenstein Chabad Center. Your support has helped us grow - now get on the ground floor as we plan our future! This is your spiritual family, for generations to come. The plans we make now will be our legacy.

## MEMBERSHIP

This year has seen exciting growth in our Jewish community and you are an integral part of it. [Please sign up online to renew your membership.](#)

## IMPORTANT

### Chabad Leadership Committees



**Our next brunch and meeting is this Sunday, Sept. 18.**  
If you are on a committee please arrive at 11:00 for a brief meeting before the brunch. The pancake brunch will be 11:30 - 1:00.

People can still sign up for committees by [emailing Esther.](#)

**Young Adult Leadership** - Will include programming for children, social programs for adults.

**Shabbat Services Leadership** - Will include weekly aliyot, shul related matters, high holiday services. Chairmen: **Joe Schlonsky and Alex Goldshtayn.**

**Women's Club** - Chessed programs, delivering meals to new mothers and their families, weekly kiddush, Young Ladies' Mitzvah Club. Chair: **Limor Seltzer.**

**Men's Club** - Sunday morning Minyan, special projects to benefit the shul. **Chairman: Gary Josephson.**

**Chevra Kadisha** - tending to the needs of recently departed. **Chairman: Ian Brawslasse.**

**Membership Committee** - reaching out to prospective members. **Chairman: Dan Wolt.**

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## Schedule of Services

The Lori Schottenstein Chabad Center offers a full schedule of Shabbat and holiday services. For more information, please call us at 614-939-0765.

### Saturday, Sept. 17, 2011

Morning Services: 9:30 am  
Women's Torah Study: 9:45 am  
Mommy & Me (ages 2 thru 5): 11 am

### Sunday, Sept. 18, 2011

Shachrit: 9:00 am

## Candle Lighting Times

### Shabbat

Friday, Sept. 16 at 7:22 p.m.

### Shabbat Ends

Sat., Sept. 17 at 8:18 p.m.

Shabbat - Friday, Sept. 23 at 7:10 p.m.

Shabbat Ends - Sat., Sept. 24 at 8:06 p.m.

Shabbat - Friday, Sept. 30 at 6:58 p.m.

Shabbat Ends - Sat., Oct. 1 at 7:55 p.m.

Shabbat - Friday, Oct. 7 at 6:47 p.m.

Shabbat Ends - Sat., Oct. 8 at 7:44 p.m.

Shabbat - Friday, Oct. 14 at 6:39 p.m.

Shabbat Ends - Sat., Oct. 15 at 7:36 p.m.

A Message from Rabbi Areyah Kaltmann

### Israel is Ours, Way Before the United Nations

In 1972, Former Chief Rabbi Yisrael Meir Lau met David Ben Gurion, the first prime minister of the State of Israel. The Rabbi's first question was to confirm a story that had allegedly happened in 1937. At that time the Peel Commission, headed by Lord Peel, was trying to decide a solution to the Arab-Jewish conflict in then Palestine. Ben Gurion was the last witness to appear before this committee that actually suggested canceling the British Mandate.

Ben Gurion spent over three hours passionately explaining the linkage between the Jews and the land of Israel, stating, "This is our home."

Lord Peel then asked Ben Gurion,

"Where were you born?"

"Plonsk" came the reply.

"Where is Plonsk?"

"Poland."

A deathly silence consumed the room.

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Chabad Hebrew School starts Sept. 18

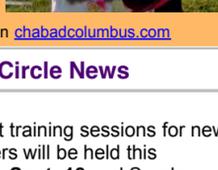
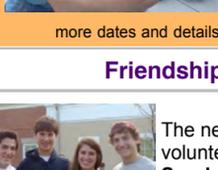
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614-939-0765 or 614-578-9318  
[hebrewschool@chabadhs.org](mailto:hebrewschool@chabadhs.org)



**NEW PROGRAM!** Moms, Dads and Kids ages 0-5 enjoy crafts, snacks, songs and a great time!

Photos from our first meeting Sept. 11  
Next meeting is Oct. 16



more dates and details on [chabadcolumbus.com](http://chabadcolumbus.com)

## LifeTown

### Volunteer Opportunities Available

If you can give as little as two hours a week, you can make a lasting difference in the life of a child with disabilities. For more information on how to get involved, contact

**Cheryl Sher**  
614-774-3403  
[lifetown.columbus@gmail.com](mailto:lifetown.columbus@gmail.com)



Look for Chabad Columbus Please "friend" us!

### Kiddush Sponsorship Opportunities Available

Looking for a Meaningful Way to Recognize a Special Day?

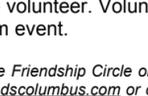
Kiddush sponsorships start at \$400 and can be shared among multiple families.

For more information, please contact  
**Meryl Weprin**  
937-902-8542  
[weepikids@aol.com](mailto:weepikids@aol.com)

## Friendship Circle News



The next training sessions for new volunteers will be held this **Sunday, Sept. 18** and Sunday Oct. 30, both at 4:30 - 6:00 pm.



Friendship Circle will be participating in the **Buddy Walk** in support of Down Syndrome. On **Sun., Sept. 18** we will have a

Friendship Circle/LifeTown booth at the event. Volunteers are needed for setup, teardown, and to staff the booth. Please email Esther to volunteer. Volunteer for all or part of the 8:00 am - 12:00 pm event.

For more information on the Friendship Circle or to sign up online please visit us at [www.friendscolumbus.com](http://www.friendscolumbus.com) or contact us at 614-939-0765 [Esther@friendscolumbus.com](mailto:Esther@friendscolumbus.com)

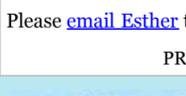


The YOUNG LADIES' MITZVAH CLUB'S mission is to inspire a generation of Jewish girls to become confident, smart, thoughtful women through Jewish experiences that promote friendship, life lessons and Torah studies. The YLMC is open to girls in 5th-8th grades.



Our grand kickoff for 2011-2012 was Sept. 11 and featured a special presentation: "How to prepare a gourmet shabbat meal in less than an hour!"

For more information email [Kim.Abelman@chabadcolumbus.com](mailto:Kim.Abelman@chabadcolumbus.com)



### Did you miss the Farmer's Market? You can still enjoy a freshly baked loaf of Challah on Shabbat.

We are selling delicious Challah for \$5 a loaf, baked fresh in the Chabad kitchen. This bread sold out at the New Albany Farm Market!

Pick up is Friday between 3-5 PM at the Lori Schottenstein Chabad Center back entrance. Orders need to be in by Thursdays at 1:00 pm.

Please [email Esther](#) to reserve your loaves.

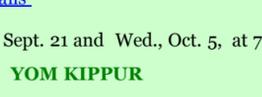
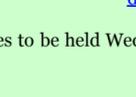
PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE.



### TLSCC Welcomes Gan Menachem Preschool!

Gan Menachem is a preschool that provides a nurturing environment with warmth and acceptance, building self-esteem and knowledge through a cultivation of Jewish literacy, heritage and identity each day.

We are accepting registration for children ages 18 months to 4 years. Full day and half day schedules available. To register or for more information, please go to [www.chabadcolumbus.com](http://www.chabadcolumbus.com) or call 614-289-8557.



## High Holidays at the Lori Schottenstein Chabad Center

[details](#)

High Holidays classes to be held Wed., Sept. 21 and Wed., Oct. 5, at 7:30 pm.

### ROSH HASHANAH

#### Wed., Sept. 28

Light Candles at: 7:02 pm

Evening Services: 7:30 pm

#### Thurs., Sept. 29

Morning Services: 9:00 am

Shofar Sounding: 11:00 am

Children's Program: 10:30 am to 1 pm

Tashlich Services: 6:30 pm

Evening Services: 8:20 pm

Light Candles: (not before) 7:58 pm

#### Friday, Sept. 30

Morning Services: 9:00 am

Shofar Sounding: 11:00 am

Children's Program: 10:30 am to 1 pm

Shabbat Candle Lighting: (before) 6:58 pm

### YOM KIPPUR

#### Friday, Oct. 7

Light Candles: (before 6:47 pm)

Kol Nidrei Services: 7:15 pm

#### Saturday, Oct. 8

Morning Services: 9:00 am

Yizkor Service: 11:30 am

Children's Program: 10:30 am to 1 pm

Conclusion of Fast: 7:44 pm

A Message from Rabbi Areyah Kaltmann - continued

Finally, Lord Peel said in amazement, "Very strange indeed. All or the Arab leaders who have appeared before me were born in Palestine. Most of the Jewish leaders who have appeared before me were born in Eastern Europe." Lord Peel spoke up saying, "Mr. Ben Guiron, these same Arab witnesses have a Kushan entitling them to this land (Kushan was an Ottoman land deed). Do you have a document saying that Palestine belongs to you?"

At that point, Ben Gurion took the Tanach that he had sworn upon while taking the oath to be a witness to the commissioner, and he held it up triumphantly exclaiming "Here is your Kushan, here is your document. It is the world's most highly respected book that you British also revere. This document states hundreds of times that G-d gave Israel to his people, the Jews."

Thirty five years later, Ben Gurion smiled and confirmed that this story was indeed true.

Then Rabbi Lau asked Ben Gurion another question.

"Imagine you have a document that entitles you to a land. If you crumple it up and shred it and then present it as proof of entitlement for a piece of land, do you expect the Peel commission to accept it in a tattered condition?"

Ben Gurion was a very smart man, so smart in fact that he refused to answer Rabbi Lau's second question.

If I could be so bold as to try to answer Rabbi Lau's question.

Israel is ours, as the very first Rashi or the Torah clearly states. We don't own it because the United Nations voted to grant it to us, but rather because G-d, the Creator of the universe, bestowed it as an eternal gift to His Jewish people. This September, if the United Nations chooses to acknowledge a Palestinian State or anything else, a far greater power has already proceeded with the declaration that Israel, in fact, belongs to the Jewish people. If Israel is ours only because we were granted it by the United Nations, then one day the very same United Nations can choose to give it to another people.

This very same document is what defines us as Jews and what has given our people the strength to survive literally thousands of years of persecution. That document has made us a loving, caring people where the average Arab in Israel has the best standard of living in the entire Middle East. When Turkey, for example, wants to demonstrate their compassion for ending a blockaded Gaza strip they dispatch a Flotilla to protest what they consider to be unfair treatment of civilians. Where are all the Flotillas and out pouring of concern for innocent bystanders who are peacefully protesting for democracy in Syria? But the same Jews who bear the brunt of "stealing" back their historic homeland always respond to other people's pain. Within the D.N.A. of the Jewish people is embedded concern for all of humanity.

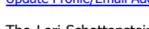
Our Kushan, our document that grants us the land of Israel to our people is referred to as an "inheritance." An inheritance doesn't halachically require its heirs to take any legal action, rather it is an automatic ownership that doesn't need what would normally be expected, namely an act of acquisition. However, we the Jews, should still not take our birthrights for granted and definitely should affirm it. When we, the Jewish people, do an extra Mitzvah, we show the world that this document is real. Even more importantly, we lay claim to an identity that is truly ours. Israel needs our good deeds, our prayers, and our acquisition. G-d can give us a gift, but the question is are we choosing to open it?

Far from being a musty, tattered old document, let's not only show the world but indeed ourselves, that our Torah has deep relevance to our daily lives.

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