# 42nd Anniversary Gala Journal Dinner

Guests of Honor MARC & KAREN ROSE CAROL KROHN DANIEL COHEN

## HAVURAT YISRAEL



ANNIVERSARY GALA JOURNAL DINNER

Honoring MARC & KAREN ROSE CAROL KROHN DANIEL COHEN



Sunday, June 4, 2023 15 Sivan 5783



Rabbi David Algaze

#### WHAT IS HAVURAT?

When the synagogue started in 1981, the founders were essentially a group of friends determined to live an authentic Jewish life. The origin of the synagogue was in the study groups that met twice a month in various homes. As we met and studied Torah, the hosts would invite their friends and neighbors, many of whom were not religious at all, and who had not participated in synagogue life before. The groups grew rapidly, and so did the observance of mitzvot by their members. At these meetings, two factors were always present: a desire to learn about Judaism, and an appreciation of the friendships that were being developed. This latter aspect is what led us to call the synagogue Havurat Yisrael, with the meaning of havurat being "friendship."

This characteristic of friendship and camaraderie continues to animate Havurat. One can see this in the lingering pf people after the Kiddush on Shabbat, the happy celebration of milestones in each other's lives, the willingness to spend time to teach people Hebrew, or guide them in other issues such as health or legal areas; wherever you turn you will find a Havurat member helping another. This tradition of Havurat has remained the emblematic trait of our community. This bond created among its members endures even when people move away from the neighborhood. From Long Island to Israel and across America, our members keep in touch, support the synagogue with contributions, or help with tasks such as maintaining the website, and editing flyers or the weekly news. Havurat is never far away from anyone who has spent time here.

The love felt by members of Havurat Yisrael for our community is expressed especially in the way people are willing to help whenever they can, and our honorees of tonight exemplify these traits of generosity and readiness to serve. Our gabbai, **Marc Rose**, a constant presence in all our minyanim, leads prayers, remembers the Hebrew names of our members and their extended families, and is always thoughtful about the welfare of our synagogue. His wife **Karen** is always attentive to newcomers and greets people with grace and warmth. Karen was the first person to make a significant contribution to our Building Fund after the synagogue collapsed in 1998, and this remains as her merit to bless her and her family.

We are very fortunate to count **Carol Krohn** as a volunteer worker in the office. Whether she is computing numbers or editing papers and answering the phones, Carol has become an indispensable part of our office, and her vast experience has helped to improve the organizational aspect of Havurat.

**Daniel Cohen** is the engine that starts and moves all our Journal campaigns. His dedication to obtaining ads and his vision to find new advertisers is legendary. His announcements of page numbers during services are another indication that shows his great love for Torah and our synagogue. This is an honor that we are happy to bestow on him with all our affection.

This is Havurat, and tonight we thank you for your support to enable us to keep this friendship going.



## **President's Message** by Jack Goldhaber

Celebrating Havurat Yisrael's 42nd Anniversary Journal is a sure sign of the strength, vitality, and vision of our synagogue. Your presence here this evening and contributions to the shul have helped us maintain our Shabbat, holiday and daily services and enabled us to continue to be a source of strength to the Forest Hills community and beyond. From its inception, Havurat Yisrael has served the community and the Jewish people by creating a unique, warm, and welcoming environment that nurtures the Jewish soul. From the baal tshuva to those seeking ever higher levels of spirituality, our regular programs as well as our kiruv programs have continued to be very successful.

The one activity that has been the bedrock of our shul has been our education program. We attribute this success only to our Moreh D'Atra, Rabbi Algaze. With renewed vigor, Rabbi Algaze continues to provide the daily Talmud class, the weekly Parsha class, the Mishna class before Shabbat Shacharit, and the Shabbat Mincha shiur.

Rabbi Algaze's tireless efforts have been the key to the continuing vibrancy and communal link that Havurat Yisrael has provided in these challenging times. This is the legacy of Havurat Yisrael. Over the last forty-two years, we faced many challenges. However, with members of the congregation, including our honorees, **Marc and Karen Rose**, **Carol Krohn** and **Daniel Cohen**, we have always been up to the challenge.

*Im tirzu ain zu agada*. Theodore Herzl's famous slogan, "If you will it, it is not just a dream," has always been the motto of Havurat Yisrael.

Havurat Yisrael will continue to maintain its single-minded objective: to be a key place in Forest Hills that every Jew can enter to pray, to learn, and to grow spiritually.

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the Havurat Yisrael Journal Celebration.



Marc & Karen Rose

Marc Rose has been the Gabbai and Vice President for congregation Havurat Yisrael for over 20 years. After moving to Queens from Brooklyn when marrying Karen, he quickly joined the Havurat community and flourished. He has been a "minyanaire" devoted to attending morning minyan each day for many years, and as a Gabbai, he has an uncanny ability when at the bimah to remember people's Hebrew names and the names of their parents and family members, as well. He has worked on fundraising and also worked on maintenance of the various buildings utilized by Havurat Yisrael throughout its many locations over the years. He participated in finding professionals to build the current shul's skylight and create our sukkah's outdoor space with perimeter lighting. He has been both a shul student and teacher for various courses held inside the building and on Zoom.

Marc is a graduate of The Cooper Union School of Engineering and worked for the M.T.A., the New York City Transit Authority, for over 28 years. Recently retired, his parttime/volunteer passions included tax preparation, U.S. Census work, kosher meal distribution at Masbia, and assisting "friends in need." He is the beloved husband of Karen Fadem Rose, and they are the proud parents of twin daughters, Rachel and Kayla.

Karen Fadem Rose has been a committed congregation member of Havurat Yisrael's family since the early 1990's. In her early years, she participated in the neighborhood's Shabbos Club, and after marrying Marc, was part of H.Y.'s Sisterhood. She raised their twin daughters with a Jewish and Hebrew education and the love of HaShem, all through the support of Rabbi Algaze and the Havurat Yisrael family. Over the years, she has hosted many guests for holiday and Shabbos meals and housed visiting people as well. She enjoys music and cooking.

Born in Lakewood N.J., Karen has lived in Forest Hills/Rego Park since she was 6 years old. Karen is a graduate of Columbia University School of Nursing and Adelphi University RN Refresher. These past 8 years she has been employed by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene in School Health. Her distant background included post-op surgical care, E.R. and employee health, which made way to Jewish summer camp nursing and more recently School Health as her own children grew. "I always chose an observance-friendly work schedule," allowing for observing, participating and celebrating Shabbos and Jewish holidays. "My family and strong good religious values always came first." During the Covid-19 Pandemic, Karen was redirected by her employer to return to hospital work and the public health vaccination initiative. Never skipping a beat, she persisted when others remained home. She worked "dressed like an astronaut" when true tragedies were at a peak. "Now more than ever, I thank HaShem Yisborach daily for health and wellbeing, and opening all of our eyes to the wonders of HaShem, the value of life and health, and the sadness of death."

Marc and Karen sincerely thank Rabbi and Tamara Algaze, the Journal Committee and the Havurat Yisrael family for this honor. "May you all go from strength to strength."



### Carol Krohn

Carol Krohn is a native New Yorker who grew up on Long Island and has been living in Forest Hills for over thirty years. She graduated from the University at Albany with an Accounting degree and, while working in public accounting, attended New York University at night and received an MBA with a concentration in Taxation. Carol is a retired CPA and spent most of her career working in the field of Corporate Taxes at Avon Products.

Over fifteen years ago, Arlene Ross introduced Carol to Havurat Yisrael. Arlene invited Carol to attend an Oneg Shabbat at Rabbi Algaze's house. Carol immediately noticed what a relaxed and friendly atmosphere it was and how welcoming Rabbi Algaze and the other guests were. She began attending Havurat's Shabbat morning services held at various locations in Forest Hills during the shul's nomadic phase. Although these temporary locations may not have been as comfortable or ideal as Havurat's own permanent location on 70th Ave., Rabbi Algaze and the shul's members were not deterred and always made the best of the situation in order to keep the congregation together and moving forward.

Carol enjoys volunteering at Havurat Yisrael and assisting in the management of its office. It has given her an opportunity to meet many new people and get to know better the shul's members. By becoming involved in coordinating Havurat's religious, educational and social programs and yom tov activities, she sees firsthand how much Havurat enhances Jewish life in Forest Hills.

Havurat Yisrael is a very unique and special institution where people from different backgrounds and levels of observance come together to form a close and supportive community. Carol is grateful that she has been so welcomed as part of the "Havurat family".



### Daniel Cohen

Daniel Cohen is originally from Hollis, Queens. He and his parents, brother and sister have always been close and helped each other, and he calls and visits them as often as he can.

One night in 1992, while walking in Forest Hills, Danny passed a synagogue he had never noticed before. The building looked nice, so he decided to go inside. The people he met had a warm, welcoming attitude, and he made many friends. He loved the services and Rabbi Algaze's sermons. Danny especially values his relationship with Rabbi Algaze and feels that he can talk with him about any issue.

Danny has fond memories of dancing in the park across the street on Simchas Torah, and Perek in the Park. He especially enjoyed the lectures that Rabbi Meir Havazelet z"l used to give on Shabbos afternoons, and the songs we sing at shalosh seudos.

Danny has always been eager to help the synagogue whenever he could, for example, by answering the phone in the office and working on the Journal Campaign and other shul events. He calls out the pages of the siddur during services, and will ask men to join us to make a minyan when necessary. Being able to bless the congregation as a Cohen during duchening makes him very happy.

Danny not only works to help the shul, but he also makes special efforts to motivate and encourage others to participate in supporting and promoting the success of our synagogue. Havurat Yisrael has long benefited from Danny's enthusiasm and energy, and his concern for the wellbeing of the synagogue and all its members. It is fitting that we now pay tribute to him by honoring him at this evening's celebration.

## Diamond Club

WE WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR APPRECIATION AND GRATITUDE TO THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS OF THE HAVURAT YISRAEL CONGREGATION WHO RAISED OR CONTRIBUTED \$1000 OR MORE TO OUR 2023 JOURNAL CAMPAIGN

> MEHRAN & RAHEL ARASHEBEN VICTORINO & RUBENIA FLORES JACK & SHULIE GOLDHABER SEYMOUR KAPLAN **FERNANDO & YVELISSE LEANA** LOUIS & RACHEL ORDENTLICH JERRY & JENNIFER REVICH STUART & JUDY ROSEN **MARK & GAIL SILVERMAN DAVID & DEBBIE SOSNOWIK** JANE STIEFEL **JOSEPH & KIM TRIGOBOFF** JAY WAITZMAN **DANIEL & CAROL YAGHOUBIAN**

## L<sub>chaim</sub> S<sub>ociety</sub>

WE WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE EFFORTS OF THE MEMBERS OF OUR 2023 JOURNAL L'CHAIM SOCIETY. THE L'CHAIM SOCIETY IS A SPECIAL GROUP OF HAVURAT YISRAEL MEMBERS WHO CONTRIBUTED \$650 OR MORE BEFORE MAY 25. MEMBERS WILL RECEIVE A BOTTLE OF WINE SPECIALLY SELECTED BY RABBI DAVID ALGAZE. MAZAL TOV AND L'CHAIM TO ALL!

> SEBASTIAN CONTRERAS **HADASSAH & HENRY FLORES JACK & SHULIE GOLDHABER** LOUIS & RITA GUTNICKI DAVID & RENEE HIRSCH MIRIAM & BRUCE JACOBS SEYMOUR KAPLAN FERNANDO & YVELISSE LEANA LOUIS & RACHEL ORDENTLICH BEZALEL PANIAGUA **GARY & EMILIE RABINOWITZ JERRY & JENNIFER REVICH ARLENE ROSS** MARC & GAIL SILVERMAN **KIM & JOSEPH TRIGOBOFF JAY WAITZMAN DANIEL & CAROL YAGHOUBIAN**

## A BRIEF HISTORY OF OUR SHUL

It all started on a Purim night in 1981, when young families thirsting for spirituality and a genuine voice of Torah formed this beautiful congregation. We were told that we would not have a long life since we possessed no physical building and there were no empty spaces to build in Forest Hills. Yet by Hashem's will we found not only a wonderful space but it was located in the geographical heart of the neighborhood, allowing us to be home to people on both sides of Queens Boulevard! Mr. Solomon Oliner, *z*"l, had a special role in this, and may his name be always remembered for good.

## Our beginnings were humble in material things but rich and blessed in matters of the spirit.

From our midst arose many rabbis, teachers and families who became observant and knowledgeable in our tradition. Whether in Israel, Latin America or any corner of the United States, there is hardly a place where we do not meet people who started their Jewish life at Havurat or did not hear about us and our activities.

It all began in January 1981, when a group of the recently formed havurot that had been organized by Rabbi Algaze initiated a strong protest to some ritual changes at the Forest Hills Jewish Center. This ultimately led to the exodus from the Center and a decision to follow Rabbi Algaze and create a new synagogue. A declaration of "independence" echoing themes of the founding of America was quickly drafted that attracted many others to this new group. At the home of the Amini family, some 30 families gathered on March 26 (21 Adar II, 5741) to incorporate the synagogue to be named Havurat Yisrael in honor of the havurot that had been at the front of this new movement. From place to place, from the Sephardic synagogue on 108th Street to the Senior Center on Austin Street and the Forest Hills Inn, we finally secured a place at the Continental Theater for Shabbat morning services. The Aron Kodesh was kept behind the movie screen and an arrangement was made for those men and women who preferred to sit separately. The morning services usually ended with the singing of Adon Olam and the aroma of popcorn as the theater was regaining its function. As we exited the theater, some would ask, "How did you like the movie?"

That first year we inaugurated our first Sefer Torah with a festive parade down Austin Street and a dedication at the Russell Sage Junior High School, concluding with a gala dinner at the Jewish Museum in Manhattan.

The last week of the summer brought many families to our first camp experience, this time at Camp Bournedale in Cape Cod. This was a foundational experience that cemented many friendships and gave Havurat the full flavor of friendship and camaraderie that would characterize it forever. The first High Holy Days services were held at the Midway Theater on Queens Blvd., which then consisted of two large halls. We occupied one of them with an attendance exceeding 400 people, and the other where children could relax and run around. It was a hectic time. It was an exhilarating time.

A strong bone of contention was the building of a mechitza, which had been Rabbi Algaze's intention from the start. It was sternly opposed by many in the congregation. After numerous classes and discussions, it was moved to install it on Hanukkah while at the Continental Theater.

A simple red velvet rope used to demark lines for people waiting to enter the theater was used to divide both sides of the aisle, with men sitting on the right and women on the left. Sadly, a few families opted to leave the synagogue never to return, but those who chose to stay saw their families grow in Torah and mitzvot and were privileged to see their children and now grandchildren studying in yeshivot and having fully observant families. This was the direct result of their decision to live a Jewish life in accordance with the Shulchan Aruch, which had been the stated purpose of the founding of Havurat from the first day. Today, many families recall those days of tensions and are grateful for what Havurat Yisrael and the Rabbi did for them.

Celebrations were always full of enthusiasm and cooperation. Purim was welcomed with dozens of people adding decorations to embellish the place, and Simchat Torah was effervescent and not contained within a building, often bursting into the street and MacDonald Park. On one occasion even the Mayor of the city came to see our festive dancing at the Park, but always our Simchat Torah was the place to be in Forest Hills and adjoining neighborhoods. We built our shul on 70th Avenue in 1982, inaugurating our space on Rosh Hashanah. The building was simple and without luxury, but it was the host of many extraordinary programs. A yeshiva created by Rabbi Algaze together with Rabbi Eliahu Benhaim functioned every afternoon, and it invited laymen to study with them in the late evenings. It was here that some rabbis were first formed, including Rabbi Daniel Travis, Rabbi Haim Alcabes and Rabbi Yitzhak Benroubi. Important personalities visited us, including the Chief Rabbi of Israel, Shlomo Goren who became a regular featured speaker when he was in New York, as well as Rabbis Mordechai Eliyahu, Avraham Shapira and Rabbi Ovadia Yosef z"l. Many political dignitaries visited us in those early years, including Senator Alphonse D'Amato, Rep. Charles Schumer, Governor George Pataki, Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, and numerous figures from the Jewish world.

A legendary concert by Shlomo Carlebach was held in 1987 when over 700 people attended and danced enthusiastically till late hours of the night. In 1984 a second Sefer Torah was dedicated by our President Yehudah Goldfeder z"l at an event attended by the Rosh Yeshiva of Chofetz Chaim at an impressive dedication ceremony.

Havurat was innovative and creative beyond its time. A Singles group, largely unknown in Orthodox synagogues, was formed that created some beautiful Jewish marriages. A Beginners' Minyan was held every Shabbat, and a Drop-In-and-Learn with students of the Chofetz Chaim on Thursdays that attracted hundreds of students. A week-long Summer Camp retreat and a Ski Shabbaton every year were among the most innovative programs developed at Havurat.

After some years of expansion, we had the privilege of having a committee headed by Mr. Sol Givner, z"l, and yb'l, our own Rafi Katz, who renovated our shul in great form and style in 1992.

After a few years, however, our building was compromised by nearby construction and the city condemned our property. This was in August 1998, precisely on the day when a new Aron Kodesh, built in Eretz Israel and dedicated by the Sosnowik family, had been placed on a ship going to New York. The story of the Aron is emblematic of the story of Havurat. Exiled from its place, stored in uninviting conditions, the aron survived and even prospered. The aron, stored in a warehouse in Long Island for over 15 years, when unwrapped was, to the amazement of carpenters and others, in perfect condition. Like the story of Havurat itself, this was truly a miracle.

After the city closed our old building, we moved from one corner of Forest Hills to the other, from the Central Queens Y on 108th Street, to the basement of Dov Revel Yeshiva, a house on 70th Road, the shtiebl on 69th Road, and finally, with the work of the Rebbetzin Tamara Algaze, we rented a little storefront on Austin Street that vibrated with energy every Shabbat. Every place offered us a welcome and yet we felt comfortable nowhere. As the Jews who left Jerusalem sang, "how can we sing in a land not our own?" we too dreamed of return and could not sing anywhere else but in our old home. We actually tried to sell our property several times, but Hashem did not let us. Like the dreamers in Psalm 126 (Shir Hama'alot) by the grace of Hashem, we now have the great merit of seeing our dreams fulfilled and have returned home. We often referred to the 15-year gap as reminiscent of the Second Temple, the construction of which was also stopped for 15 years. May Havurat Yisrael too be a beacon of light to those who enter our synagogue and may it continue to spread holiness throughout the community for years to come.



## THE HAVURAT YISRAEL IDEA -WHO ARE WE?

Havurat Yisrael was born on Purim night in 1981, when a young rabbi, David Algaze, created a veritable revolution in Queens, leading a group of mostly Conservative Jews onto a path of learning and inspiration that was to become one of the leading Orthodox synagogues in New York. The smell of popcorn that permeated the early services – held in a movie house on Austin Street, Forest Hills – became the talk of the town as well as a symbol of the innovation, warmth and originality of this Torah center.

The early activities of the synagogue were the creation of a camp retreat in the summer, a ski Shabbaton in Vermont in the winter and a host of new ideas and programs in between. The common aspect of all these programs was the desire to reach Jews of all backgrounds in every environment and every venue that they felt comfortable. Although this concept raised many an eyebrow at the beginning, many communities were soon adopting its programs and vision. Rabbi Algaze advocated the idea that a synagogue needs to be more than a house of worship in the formal sense; it must serve as a bridge and a path to discovery. Havurat Yisrael was founded on the idea of creating a community of learning and experience that will facilitate the path of teshuvah. Until today, you can enter a program at Havurat and feel that there is something special in the air. Some call it warmth, others friendship, but the real secret is: community (havurah).

Havurat initiated the first outreach programs in Queens. The first Beginners' Services and the first Turn Friday Night into Shabbat dinners were held there. The synagogue became a hub for singles throughout the metropolitan area and Rabbi Algaze has made numerous shidduchim through these gatherings and shabbatonim. One of the most successful bridges has been the one that connected people with a yeshiva background and people who did not know the aleph-bet. The sense of duty and service to Am Yisrael is one of the distinguishing traits of a Havurat Yisrael member. Acceptance, the courage to innovate and accept diversity create a very profound atmosphere of unity of all Jews.

The "Drop in and Learn" program that was developed in conjunction with

the Chafetz Chayim Yeshiva soon developed into a half-day Kollel under the leadership of Rabbi Eliahu Benhaim and Rabbi Algaze. This kollel was to produce several talmide hahamim and rabbis who are serving communities in Israel and Latin America. It is no wonder that groups of "alumni" of Havurat keep in touch with the synagogue regularly and proclaim its uniqueness.

Havurat has always lived beyond its walls. Spilling with joy onto the streets during Simchat Torah or offering a Perek shiur in the park in summertime, distributing mishloach manot on Purim or hanukkiot on Hanukkah to passers-by have endeared the synagogue to its host community and enabled Havurat to continue to attract more Jews to Torah and mitzvoth.

Havurat Yisrael believes that communities need bridging and connecting. It is therefore not uncommon to find at Havurat a mix of people in Hasidic garb mingling with people in jeans, Sephardim and Ashkenazim praying in an atmosphere of acceptance and sharing, people speaking different languages communicating with each other. But perhaps the most significant bridge has been to Eretz Israel. Havurat has always promoted an agenda of involvement in social issues and especially a connectedness and active involvement in the matters that affect the people and the land of Israel. Havurat has served for many years as the forum for many distinguished visitors from Israel, from politicians to rabbis, roshe yeshiva and activists. All have encountered an audience ready to learn and ready to act. That may be the most apt definition of Havurat: "learning in order to do".



## THE HAVURAT YISRAEL FAMILY – WHAT WE DO

Learning is the foundation of Havurat Yisrael. From early morning till late at night, the classes, lectures, seminars and informal discussions shape the Havurat landscape. It is a place vibrant with intellectual stimulation and spiritual elevation. From the Learn to Read Hebrew class to the class in Spanish, from the Parashat Hashavua class to the advanced Gemara shiur, there is a class for every level. The courses service a diverse community that includes young single adults, young marrieds, and newly arrived immigrants from Russia or Latin America. There are courses to accommodate the needs of these diverse groups.

A full range of family-oriented programs that appeal from the oldest to the youngest members of the family are offered in order to strengthen the ties that bind us together and to utilize the opportunity to learn from one another. Special dinners around the holidays allow people who would not have the ability to share in these experiences to enjoy them at Havurat. They include meals at Rosh Hashanah, Pesach Seders for the community, Tu Bishvat Seders, Lag Ba'omer celebrations and parties and hagigot for every occasion in the Jewish calendar. Even during the all-day fast days, there is learning and lectures by guest scholars. Rabbi Algaze has always encouraged the involvement of other rabbis and teachers in this enterprise and Havurat has been very lucky to have many distinguished rebbeim and lecturers in its history.

Rabbi Algaze saw long ago the need to incorporate singles in a full way in the programs of the synagogue. Havurat was the first synagogue in the area to offer single memberships and made every effort to make singles feel comfortable in the synagogue. Havurat organized shabbatonim and trips to help singles meet. Rabbi Algaze created Priority Dating based on the concept that self-discovery precedes the finding of a soul mate. In his career, Rabbi Algaze has made well over 100 shidduchim.

During the Covid period, he has given many new classes and lecture series via Zoom. He has devoted much time and energy over the past few years to classes in Spanish that reach not only students in the New York City area but

also students located throughout the Spanish-speaking world, including in Colombia, Bolivia, Spain, and other countries. His eloquent and meaningful commentaries on the week's Parshah and other subjects provide a solid grounding in traditional sources for a wide variety of students. He created the foundation Portal al Judaismo that offers classes in Spanish throughout the world and also supports emerging Jewish communities in Latin America.

> Some people make a difference She affected a whole community She took us out from the shtibl when it became oppressive Brought us to the Austin Street storefront where we were reborn Negotiated with the developer of our current building to get a larger space And is at the center of everything that transpires at Havurat She's a woman, she's a spouse, she's a mom and she's a businesswoman She is **TAMARAALGAZE**

With gratitude, Havurat Members and Rabbi Algaze

#### HAVURAT YISRAEL

#### **Past Presidents**

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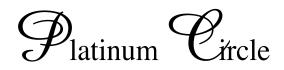
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## A Message From The Dinner Committee

We are very proud of the response to this 42nd Anniversary Dinner from all of you. This is a synagogue with open arms to everyone and it is wonderful to see the warm atmosphere that has developed at Havurat. We have created an allinclusive environment and this is reflected in the attendance at the Dinner tonight. Your support will allow Havurat to continue its work and all its programs and we are grateful for your participation. This is going to be a great Dinner event and we are happy to welcome you tonight.

> Tamara Algaze Renee Feit Hirsch Kim Trigoboff





#### PLATINUM CIRCLE

Mazal Tov

## to our esteemed honorees and friends **MARC & KAREN ROSE**,

## CAROL KROHN,

and

## DANIEL COHEN

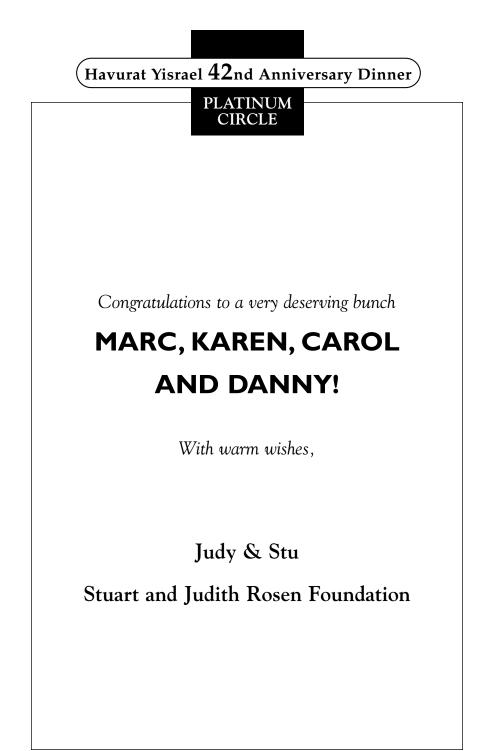
Thank you for your years of countless contributions to our community.

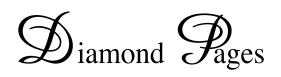
We are the ones who are honored to have you as part of our diverse community. Your presence among us enriches us all.

May you have the health and energy to continue, strengthen and contribute to Havurat and all of Klal Yisrael!

> Thank you and Yasher Koach With our gratitude and respect,

### Debbie Rubin and David Sosnowik





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#### וכל מי שעוסקים בצרכי ציבור באמונה

Congratulations to the Honorees of Havurat Yisrael's 42nd Anniversary Journal Dinner

## **KAREN & MARC ROSE**

Your steadfast support for our Shul and your beautiful family over the years have served as an inspiration for all of us at Havurat Yisrael

## **CAROL KROHN**

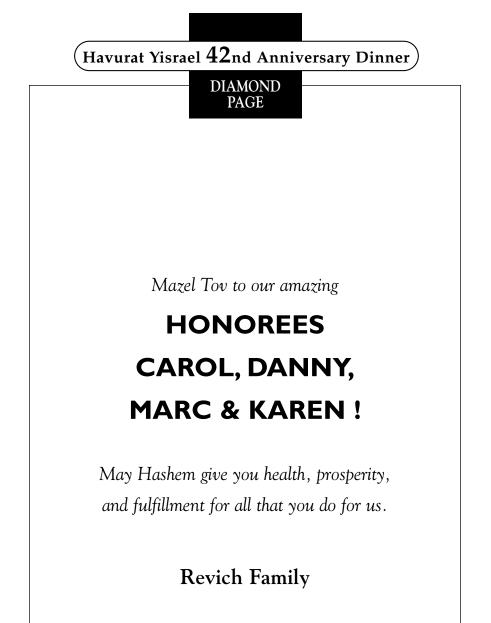
Your dedication and ability to get everything done are only surpassed by your warmth and kindness

## DANIEL COHEN

Your caring nature and enthusiasm make everyone at Havurat Yisrael feel welcome

Mazal Tov

Shulie and Jack Goldhaber





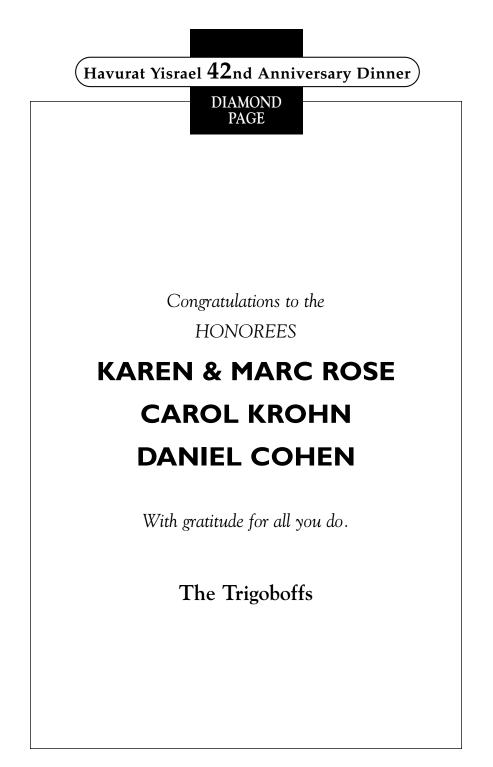
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## **MARC & KAREN ROSE**

What a wonderful treasure it is to be able to start each day by listening to your davening each morning in shul. It gives me inspiration to go on with what is usually a very stressful work day. You are a great baal tefillah & I have progressed in my own abilities to daven just by listening to you.

Congratulations on this well-deserved honor

#### Dr. Mark & Gail Silverman



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Mazal Tov to

## HAVURAT YISRAEL

on 42nd Anniversary

Yasher Koach to the Honorees

## MARC & KAREN ROSE CAROL KROHN DANIEL COHEN

With Gratitude

Daniel, Carol, Gavriel and Ella Yaghoubian

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We honor our Favorite and Dear Cousin
CAROL KROHN

Kol Hakavod on all your hard work, countless hours and selfless dedication to your shul and community. Your community is fortunate to have you and we are just as lucky to be family with you. Your devotion, love and care for all of us are always recognized and appreciated.

Mazel Tov with Love-

Jay and Malky Spector Melissa Jordana, Jason and kids Zehava and Jeremy



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Mazel Tov To all the Honorees

## MARC & KAREN ROSE CAROL KROHN DANIEL COHEN

All dedicated to working on behalf of Havurat year-round! Thank you for your dedication.

Rachel, Louis, Jake & Dara

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Mazel Tov to our dear friends

## **MARC & KAREN ROSE**

on this well-deserved honor

## DANIEL COHEN

our dear "Cohen"

and to

## **CAROL KROHN**

May Hashem always bless you!

Mehran, Rahel, Kayla & Aviel

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Blessings

to our

### **RABBI DAVID ALGAZE**

and his wonderful wife

### **REBBETZIN TAMARA ALGAZE**

Thank you for your support & guidance

Mazel Tov

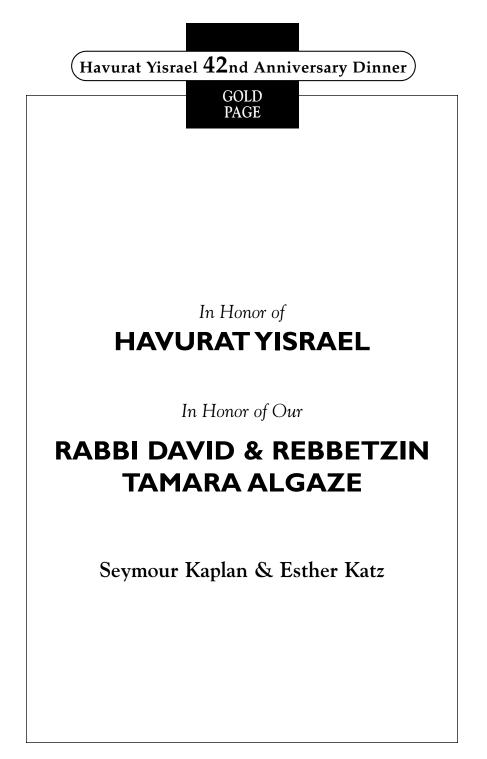
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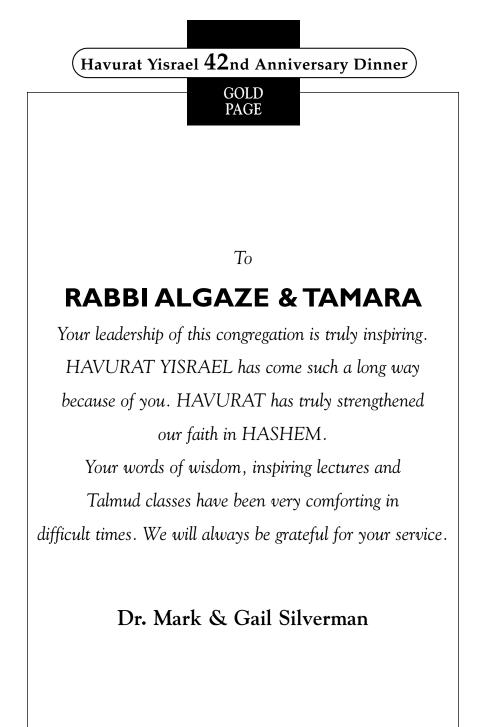
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on this well-deserved honor

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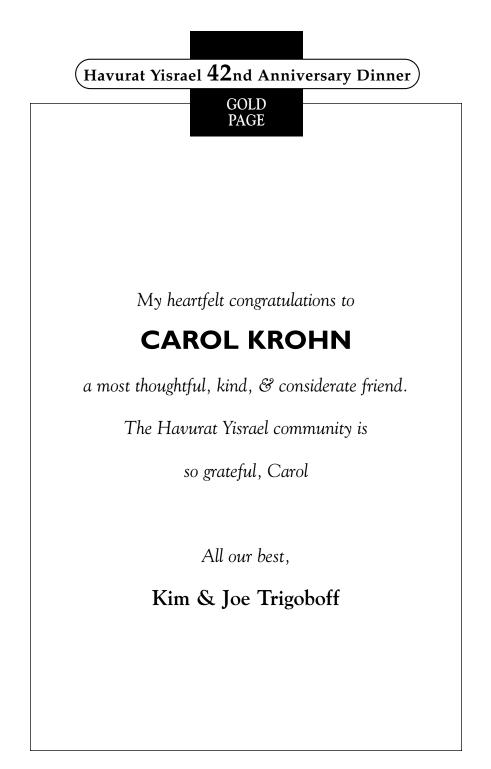


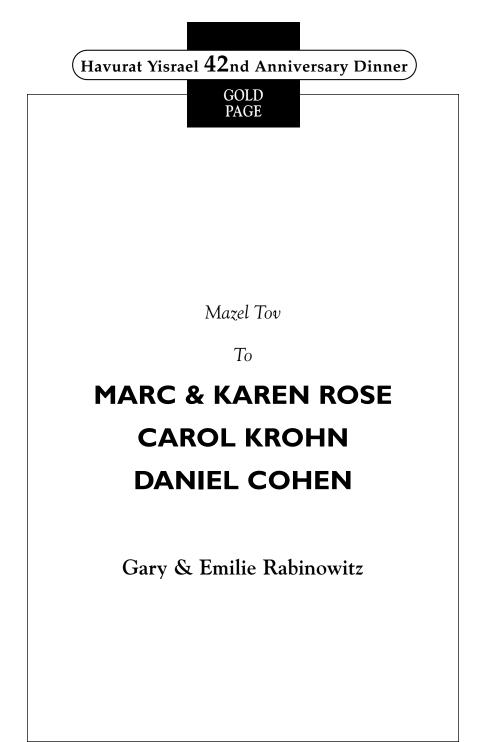


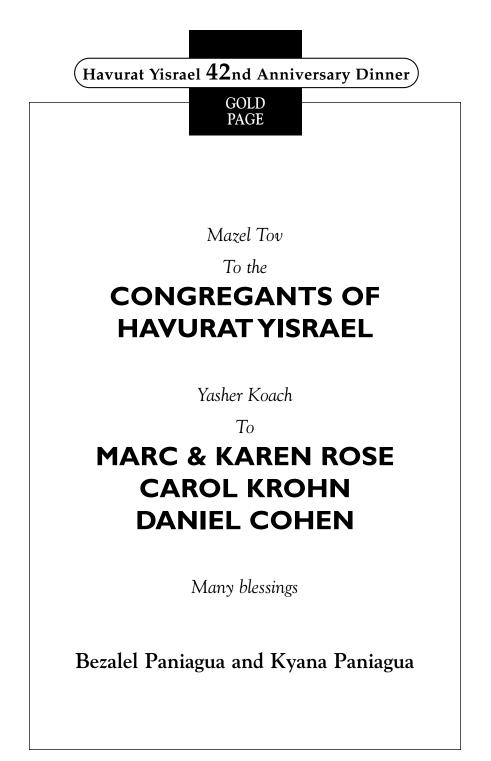












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Arlene & Ariella Ross



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#### GOLD PAGE

Que la luz de la Torá siga iluminando a muchas almas a través de aquellos que hacen un labor inagotable enseñando a otros como usted Rabino David Algaze como dice el salmo será como árbol plantado junto a corrientes de aguas, que da fruto en su tiempo y cuya hoja no cae; y todo lo que hace prosperará. Que así se cumpla para usted. Gracias por su dedicación y amor para cada persona de la sinagoga.

# MARC & KAREN ROSE CAROL KROHN DANIEL COHEN

Gracias por su compromiso con la comunidad y la sinagoga.

Quiera Hashem bendecirlos a ustedes y a sus familias. Anhelamos que la llama de la Torá siga ardiendo y que podamos ser antorchas encendidas para alumbrar a otros y encender nuevas llamas.

Sebastian Contreras & Jessica Cortes







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Mazel Tov to

### HAVURAT YISRAEL

on the 42nd Anniversary

and to

### CAROL KROHN DANIEL COHEN MARC & KAREN ROSE

on this well deserved Honor

and to

Our Dear

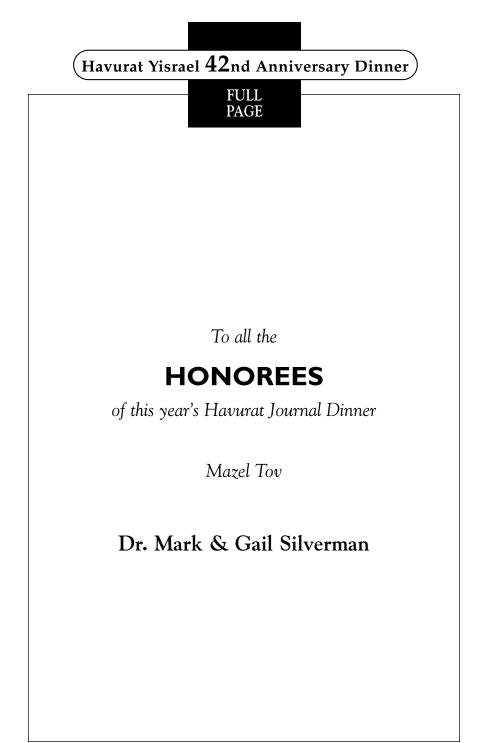
### **RABBI ALGAZE**

May Hashem Bless you and all your Family and thanks for all your guidance and knowledge

Joseph & Rivka Constante

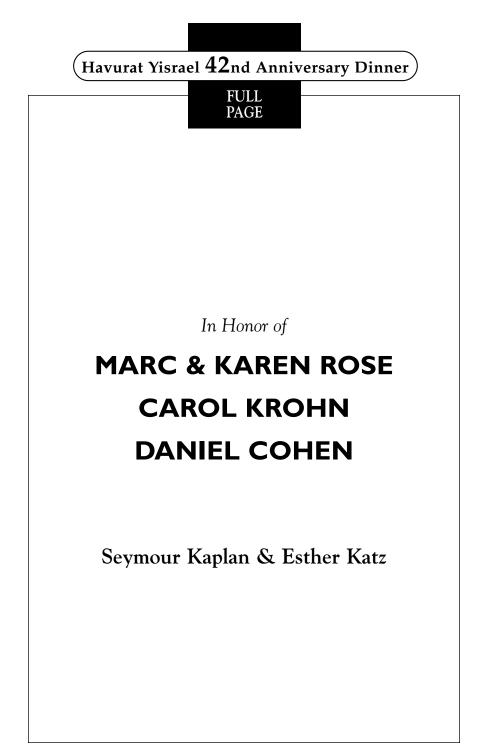




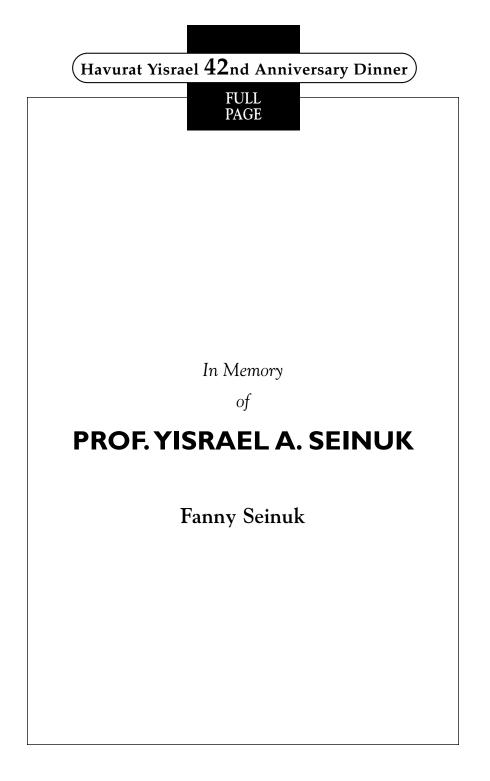












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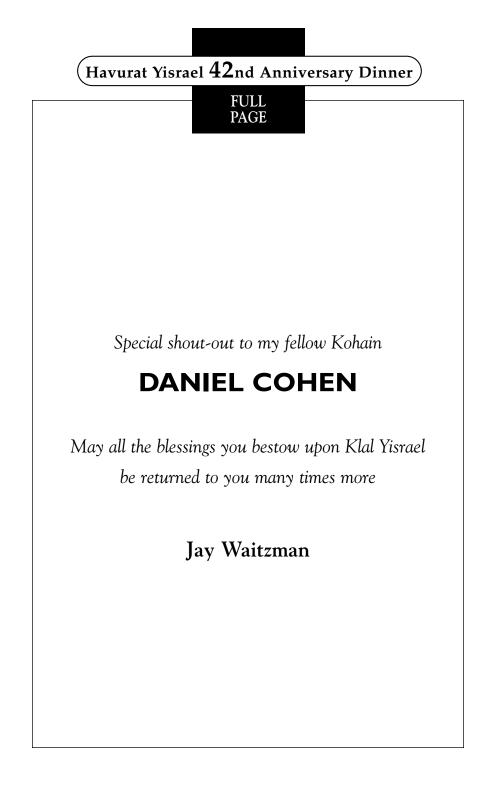


### **RABBI DAVID ALGAZE** & REBBETZIN TAMARA

Every shul needs them Not every shul has them Luckily at **HAVURAT YISRAEL** 

> We have them We thank you for all your Devotion & Dedication To our shul & community

Maddy & Bernardo Druker



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To our beloved High School Graduates

# JAKE ORDENTLICH REBECCA PAIKIN JAKE POLONETSKY HANNAH ZAKRY GAVRIEL YAGHOUBIAN EDEN EINI NOAH JABBOUR

Aim high – Soar and Fly You can go far wherever you are! Good Luck and Mazel Tov

Karen and Marc Rose

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Thank you to

### **RABBI DAVID ALGAZE**

For his leadership, wisdom, and outreach

Thank you

#### to my dear friends at

### HAVURAT YISRAEL

B'ezrat Hashem, may there be unity & peace for us all, both personally and community-wide

A big Mazel Tov to the

### HONOREES

With gratitude

Jane Pamela Stiefel (Hannah)

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Mazel Tov to my fellow HONOREES

### **DANIEL COHEN**

Our resident Cohen who keeps us on the right page

and

### **KAREN & MARC ROSE**

A kind & thoughtful couple whose dedication to Havurat is limitless

With gratitude to

### RABBI DAVID & TAMARA ALGAZE

And the entire Havurat community for making our shul such a special & welcoming place

Carol Krohn

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Yasher Koach

to my sister

### CAROL

For your tireless efforts on behalf of Havurat

Mazel Tov

To the

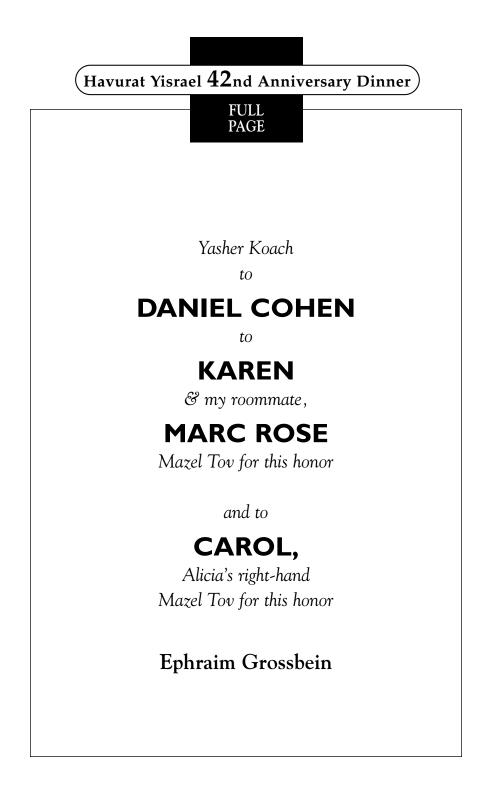
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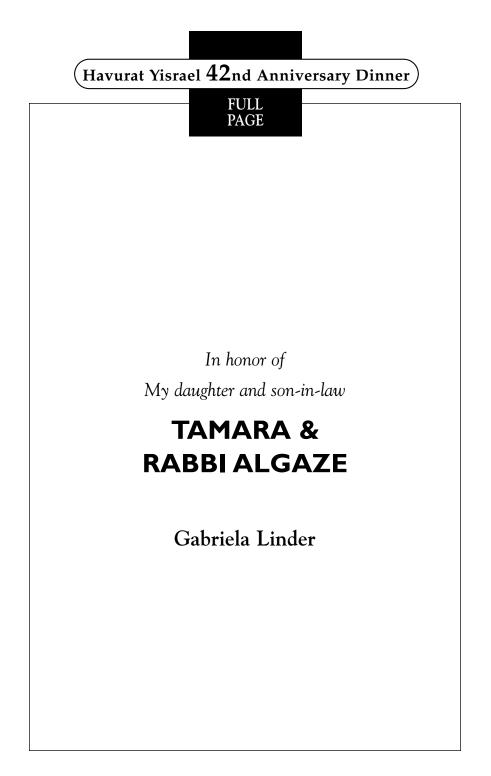
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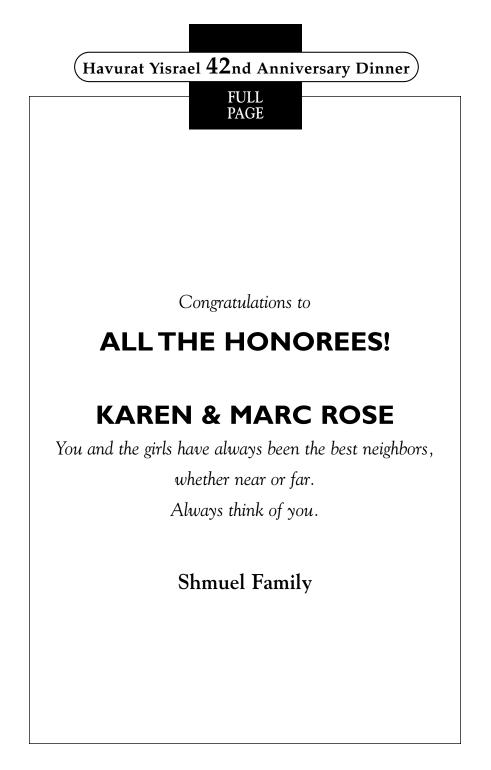
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Wishing you and all those who contribute to the success of Havurat Hatzlachah rabbah ad bayis goel tzedek

Jonathan Krohn

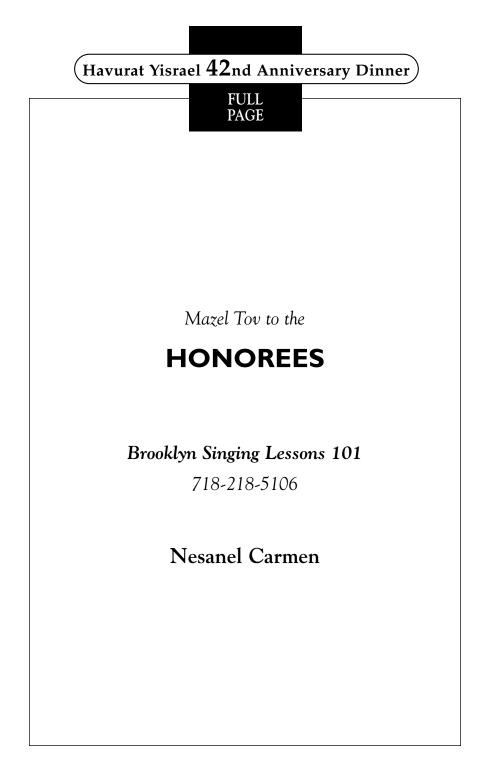












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Mazel Tov to the HONOREES

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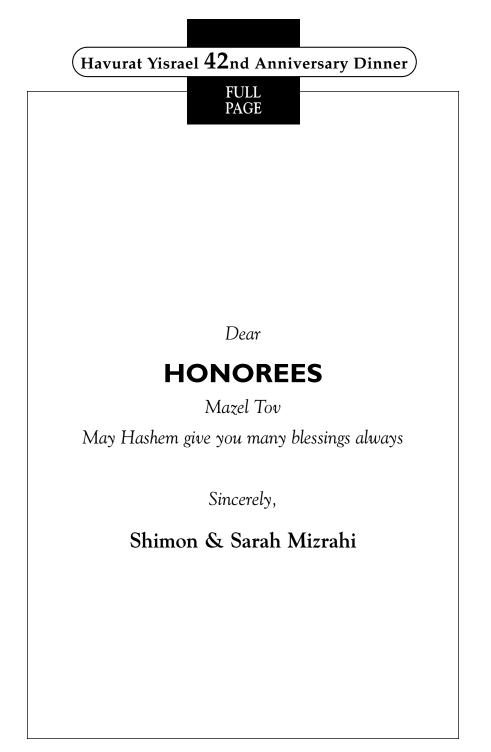
May you go from strength to strength

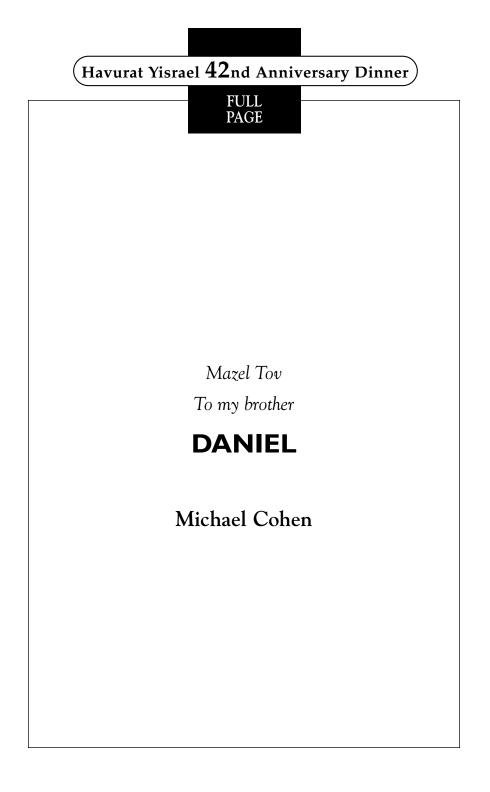
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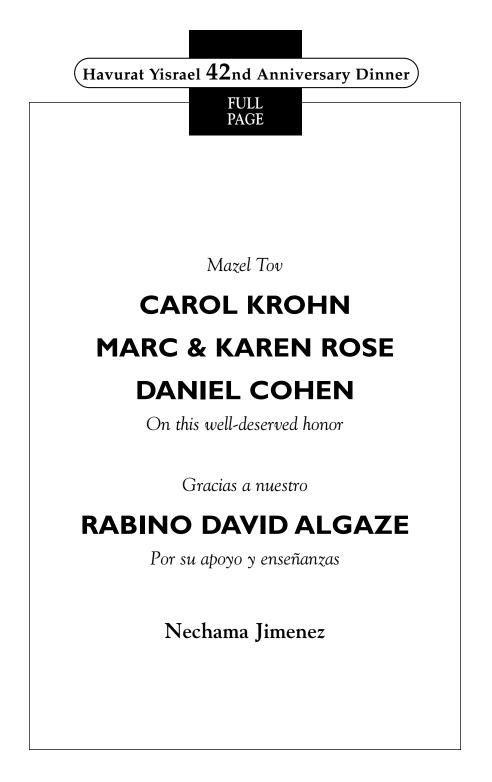
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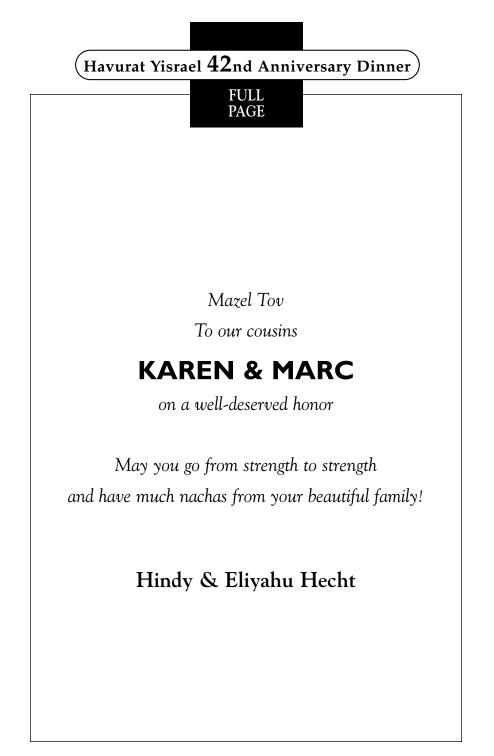
#### **RABBI DAVID ALGAZE**

Tanya Azizi











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Wishing all the best to the Journal Dinner HONOREES

## MARC & KAREN ROSE CAROL KROHN

## DANIEL COHEN

For their constant commitment and support for the Synagogue

And to

## **RABBI ALGAZE**

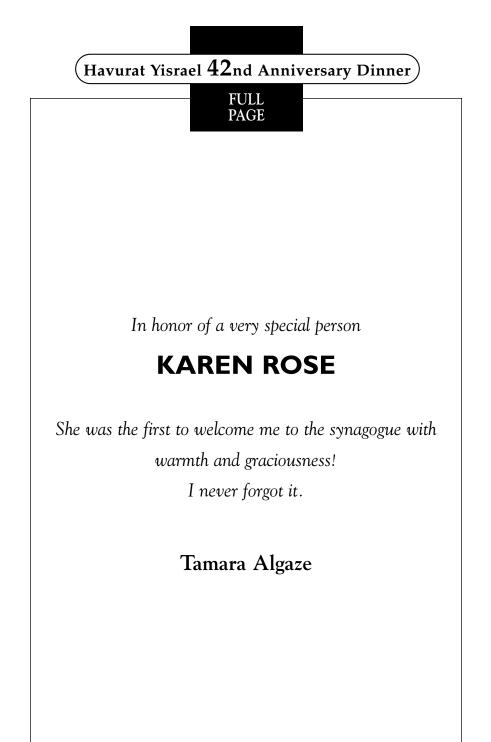
For his dedication and devotion to the congregation and to the Dinner and Journal Chairs for making sure everything works!

#### Eileen Alter





Havurat Yisrael **42**nd Anniversary Dinner **FULL** PAGE Mazel Tov To **RABBI ALGAZE & TAMARA** for all they do to make HAVURAT YISRAEL Such a special place! Mazel Tov DANIEL And thank you for your kindness and all you do for HAVURAT! Mazel Tov CAROL Thank you for your constant support Mazel Tov **KAREN & MARC** And thank you for your kindness and what you do to make HAVURAT a welcoming, supportive, loving shul. Till 120! **Ruth Finkelstein** 



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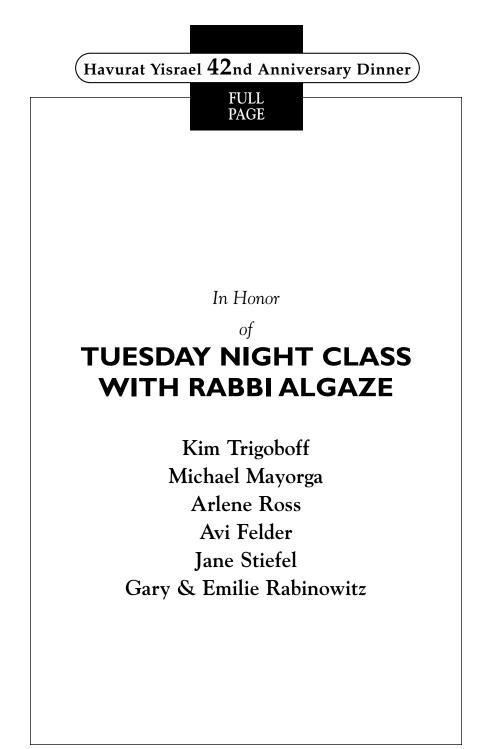
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To our neighbors and friends who are so truly important and special Wishing you good health, well-being, happiness and joy.

TOM & STEPHANIE DEBI & STUART BRUCE & MIRIAM SERGE & LINDA LINDA & CHARLES LOUIS & RITA STEVE & SHARON DANNY RUTH ESTHER TUVIA CHAZZANS SEYMOUR AND NESANEL

Karen & Marc Rose







#### In Honor of RABBI DAVID & TAMARA ALGAZE

May Hashem bless you with a lot of nachas.

То

### MARC & KAREN ROSE & CAROL KROHN

Mazel Tov on this well-deserved honor

# To our dear **DANIEL COHEN**

You are a great person always blessing all of us

With gratitude,

Naomi Rodriguez

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Mazel Tov

to

### DANIEL COHEN

Your smile and presence cheer our lives

## **KAREN & MARC ROSE**

Thanks for your dedication & support to Havurat Yisrael and wishing you plenty of nachas from your children

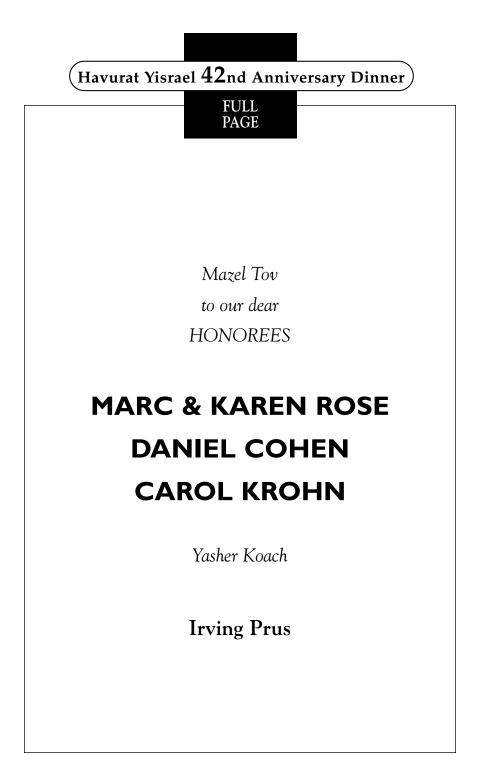
### **CAROL KROHN**

Congratulations

#### and to **RABBI DAVID** & TAMARA ALGAZE

Many blessings

Nader, Jessica, Yehuda & Yossef Naghi



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Mazel Tov to our HONOREES

Our dear gabbai
MARC & KAREN ROSE

Many blessings to all the family

# Our "Cohen" **DANIEL COHEN**

who always reminds us about events in the community, upcoming Jewish holidays, and the "Cohen" who blesses us & to our dear

#### **CAROL KROHN**

who became part of the Havurat Yisrael crew We really appreciate you very much. You are our friend

Leon, Alicia & Rafi Tejtelbaum

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Mazel Tov to our dear cousin

#### CAROL

on this well-deserved honor Your hard work and dedication to the shul and other worthwhile causes are an inspiration to us all.

May you continue in your tireless work in good health until 120!

#### Love,

Suzanne & Lenny Ariella, Matan & Jonah Elana & Meir  $ig( {
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We celebrate our friends with love and admiration:

#### DANIEL COHEN

whose loyalty and kindness are unsurpassed

#### **KAREN**

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Gabbai Extraordinaire

### MARC ROSE

who takes the mitzvah of returning lost objects to new heights, and whose warmth, knowledge, generous spirit and lovely daughters

### **KAYLA & RACHEL**

we cherish

Neva & Simcha Hellman and Family

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Congratulations and Warmest Wishes to our honorees

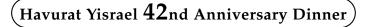
## MARC & KAREN ROSE CAROL KROHN DANIEL COHEN

Que Hashem siempre bendiga a nuestro admirado

## RABBI DAVID & TAMARA ALGAZE

Con Mucho cariño,

Leah Rahel Quetell



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Mazal Tov a los Honrados

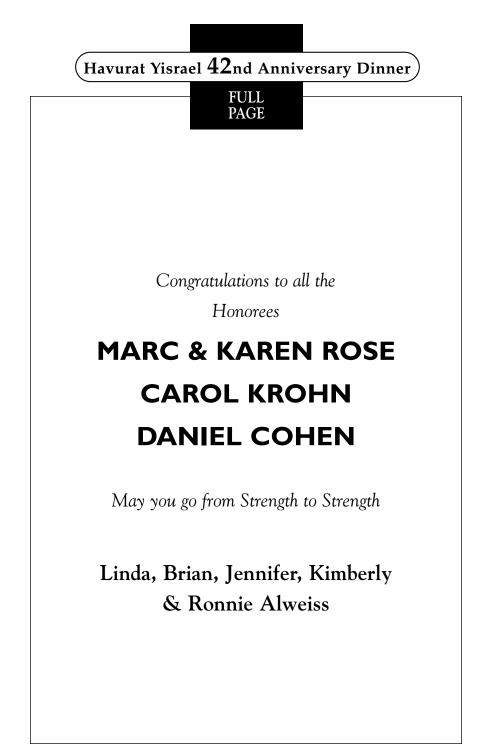
## MARC & KAREN ROSE CAROL KROHN DANIEL COHEN

Hashem Bendiga a todos los miembros de Havurat Yisrael al

#### RABINO DAVID & TAMARA ALGAZE

Toda Rabah to Havurat Yisrael community for opening the door of the Shul to us

Adriana De Lima



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With Gratitude to Hashem this year I became part of Am Israel

Thanks to our Honorable Rabbi and mentor

#### **RABBI DAVID ALGAZE**

God Bless you and your family with a lot of health and Happiness.

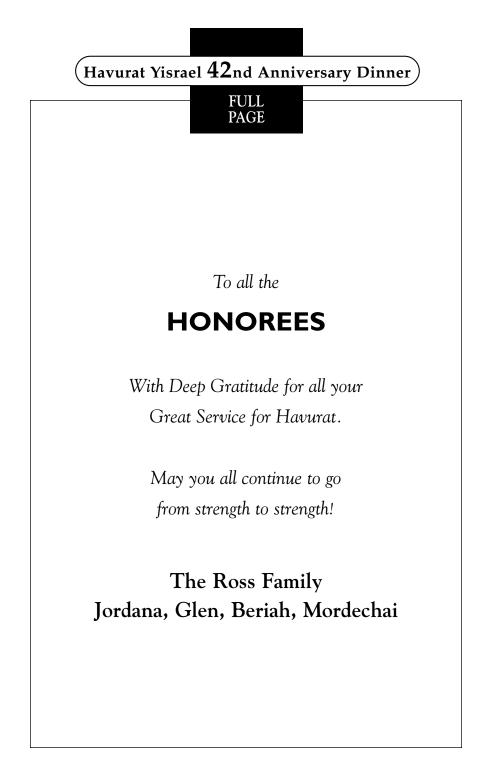
Muchas felicitaciones a los honrados

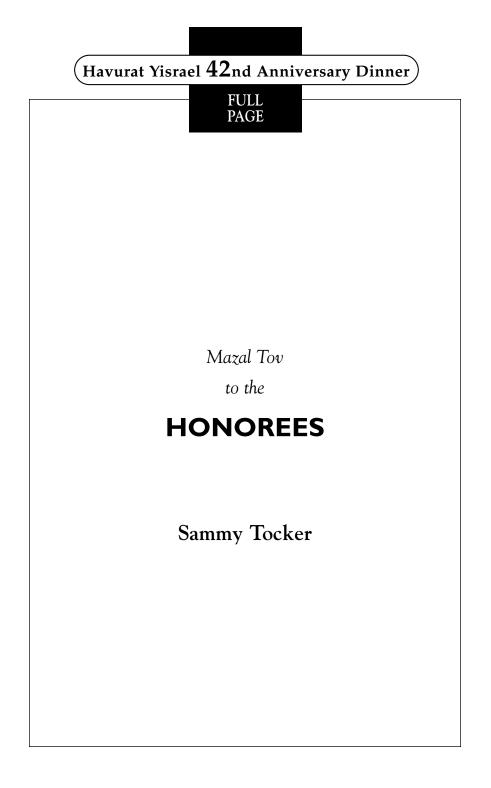
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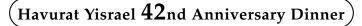
Con mucho aprecio

Simcha Kulaya









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Mazel Tov to

#### ALL WHO HELPED BUILD HAVURAT YISRAEL

May you always continue to realize your dreams.

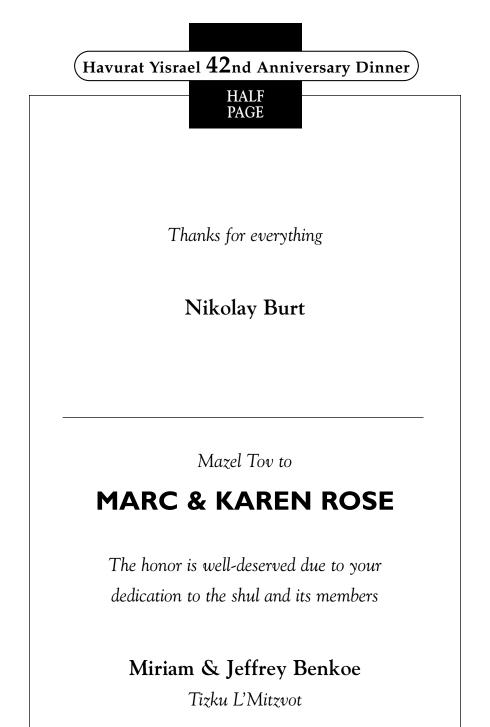
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We have seen how much you all contribute to the shul. May you all continue to do so with health and bracha. Thank you for welcoming us with open arms.

#### Avi & Efrat Weschler

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"The meaning of life is to find your gift The purpose of life is to give it away" PABLO PICASSO

# Thank you MARC & KAREN

For all you do to make this world a better place

#### Rich & Eve Sidlow

And Family

Mazel Tov

to the

## HONOREES

Jonathan Kaye

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Thank you To

# FOREST HILLS NAILS

## JANE STEIFEL

For a fine workmanlike nail cleaning and good service to the Forest Hills community

#### **Irving Prus**

Congratulations

to

## MARC & KAREN ROSE!

We celebrate your passion and commitment to

## HAVURAT YISRAEL

Richard & Erika Safran



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Congratulations to the 2 other Honorees joining us tonight.

## DANNYCOHEN

Whose bright enthusiasm always lightens our hearts and shines the way forward.

#### 

Who jumped into our office during its "time of need" and rose to the occasion in exceptional ways!

Thank you.

#### Marc & Karen Rose

# Congratulations to KAREN & MARC ROSE

for a well-deserved honor. Thank you for sharing your warm home with friends and the community both figuratively and literally (hosting us for Shabbat when our boiler broke). Your continued support to the Jewish community makes a big difference.

Love, The Edelheit Family Carol, Abraham, Menachem & Joseph

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Congratulations to

#### RABBI DAVID & TAMARA ALGAZE

and to the Honorees

### MARC & KAREN ROSE CAROL KROHN DANIEL COHEN

#### Michael & Alice James

The miracle of Havurat is very apparent. I am so thankful to be part of this beautiful shul full of kind, generous people, especially under the guidance of Rabbi Algaze. The infinite knowledge of the Rabbi is such a treasure that he so generously shares with us.

Thank you **Rabbi Algaze**; you are the rock under our feet. Thank you **Rebbetzin** for being part of that rock and **President Jack** for keeping the community united.

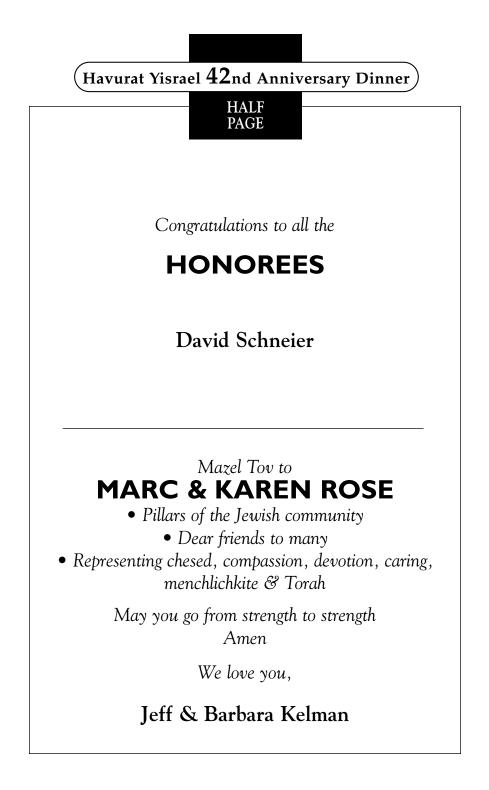
This is causing amazing miracles in our community and in the world. It is bringing us to Moshiach times, spreading the knowledge of Torah and mitzvahs all over the world.

Many, many blessings to the Rabbi and Rebbetzin and all members:

Long, long eternal life with youth and agility and extreme health and wealth and most of all peace (and quiet) and unitedness with your families and friends and the shul.

Amen.

Love, Judy Kugelman







### Havurat Yisrael **42**nd Anniversary Dinner **OUARTER** PAGE Mazel Tov Thanks **MARC & KAREN** To the HONOREES A very well-deserved honor! for all you do for You have your heart & soul into HAVURAT YISRAEL HAVURAT YISRAEL Warm Regards, With great affection Linda & Serge Merkin The Kornblau Family Mazal Tov to HAVURAT YISRAEL on the 42nd Anniversary **Best Wishes** and To our Dear From **RABBI DAVID** Joseph & Barbara ALGAZE Tucker Joseph & Esther Mounessa



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Mazel Tov to MARC & KAREN ROSE On this well-deserved honor

KAREN

Has been involved with HAVURAT YISRAEL since before they lost their building many years ago

#### MARC

Has served as the gabbai for over 20 years with great distinction. He also serves as my personal Levi (ask him about that)

Again our hearty Yasher Koachem to both of them

Steve Katz & Sharon Schwebel Katamon, Jerusalem, Israel Mazel Tov and Best Wishes

to

#### **MARC & KAREN ROSE**

on the occasion of Havurat Yisrael's 42nd Anniversary Journal Celebration!

Carol Beth, Michael, Eric, Abigail, Joshua, Max, Zack & Alana Yoffee

Mazel Tov to

MARC & KAREN ROSE

on this well-deserved honor

Lane and Jolyn Sparber

Best Wishes to all the

### HONOREES

And our dear friend

### **MS. CAROL KROHN**

David & Monique Abraham & Family

Congratulations and Blessings to

CAROL KROHN, ALL HONOREES

and

**HAVURAT YISRAEL** 

at your 42nd Anniversary Celebration

Wong Family: Edwin, Katherine, Kenneddy & Erik Mazel Tov to my

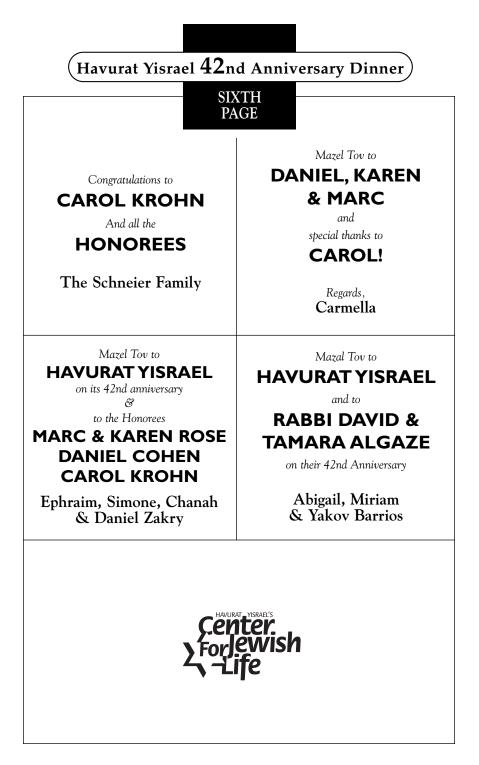
CO-HONOREES MARC & KAREN ROSE CAROL KROHN

Thank you

RABBI & TAMARA ALGAZE

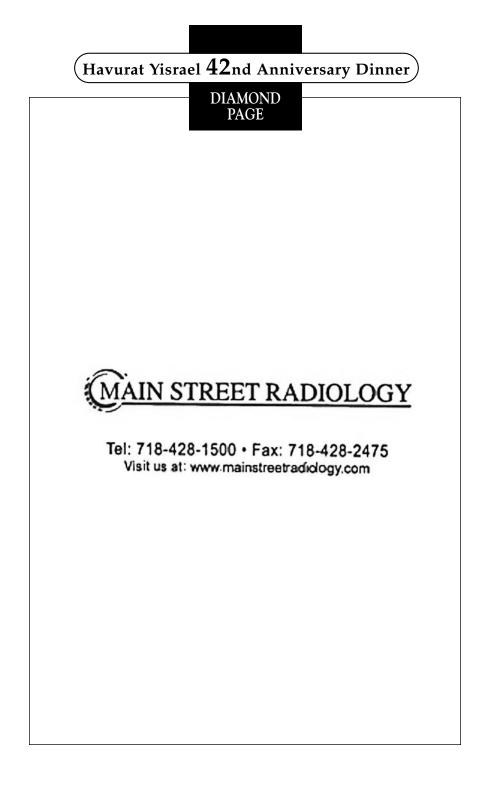
and the shul members for choosing me as an honoree.

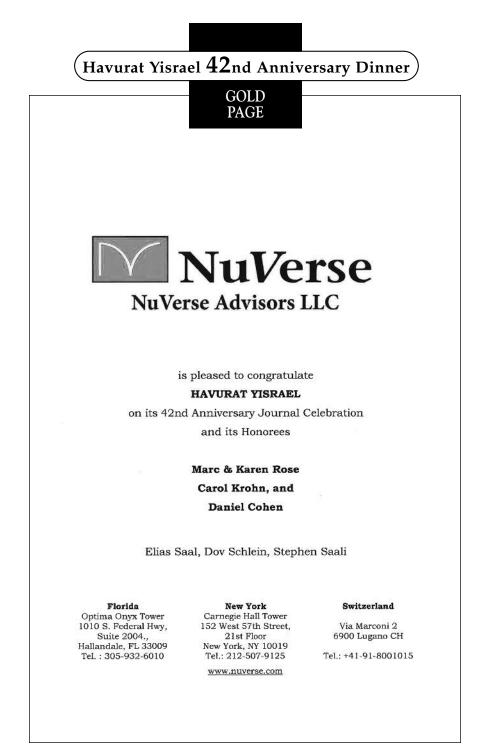
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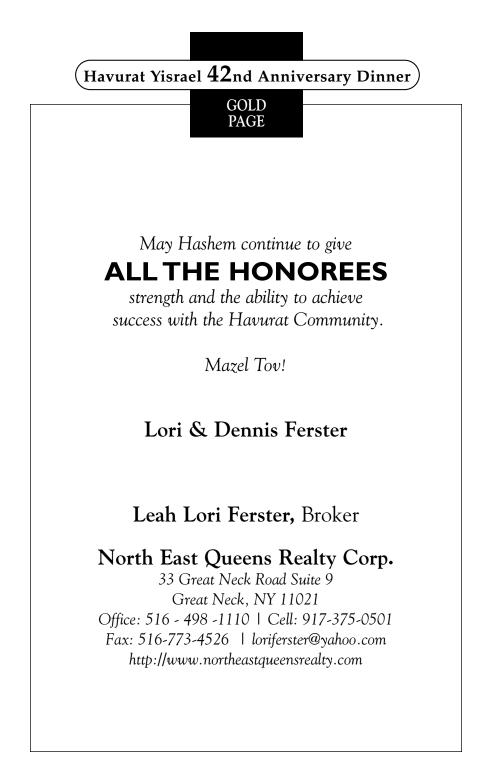


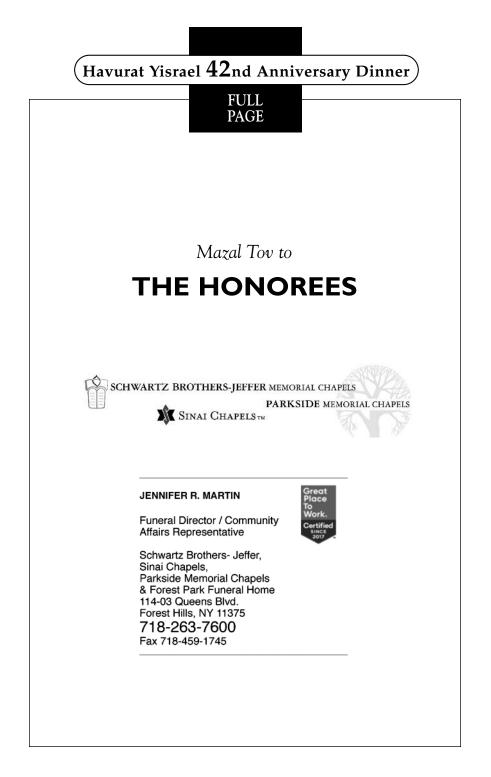
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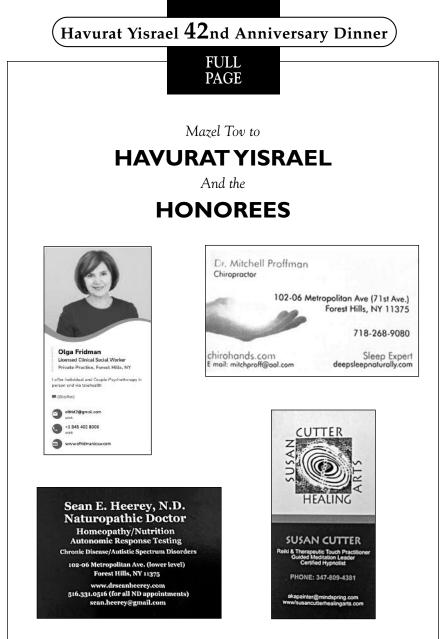






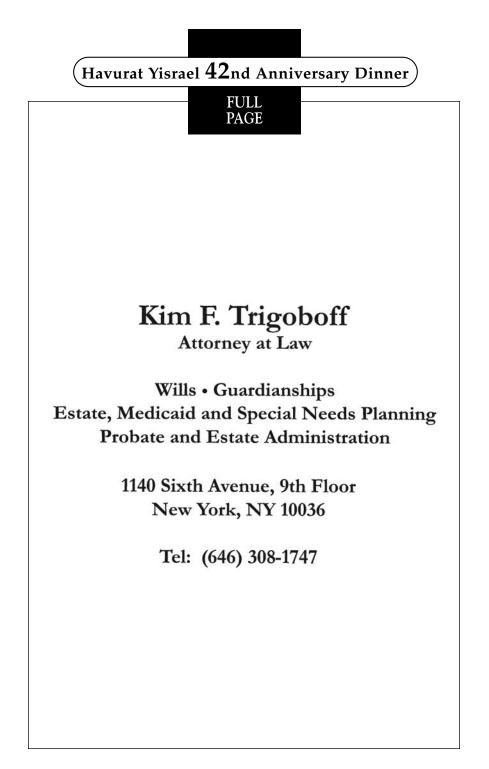


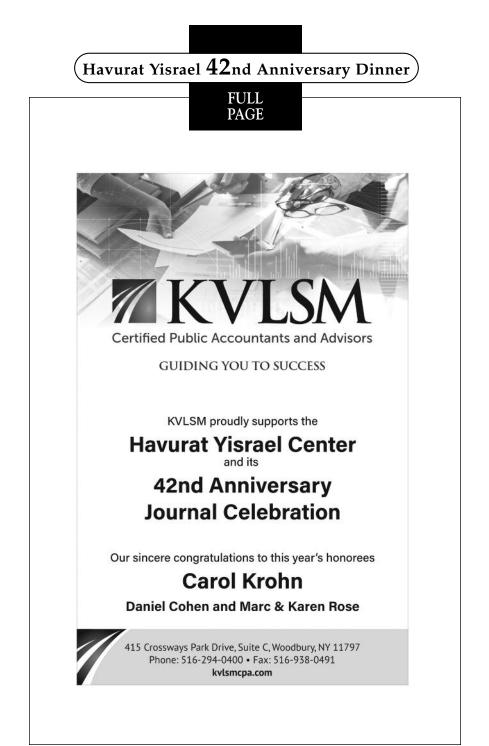


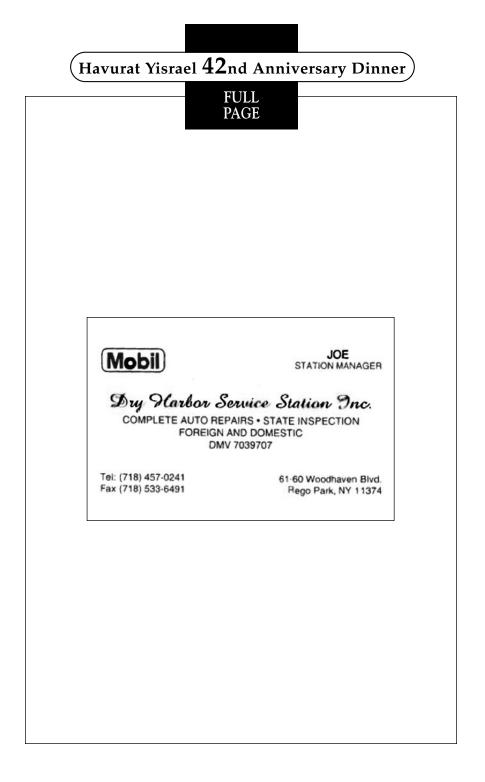


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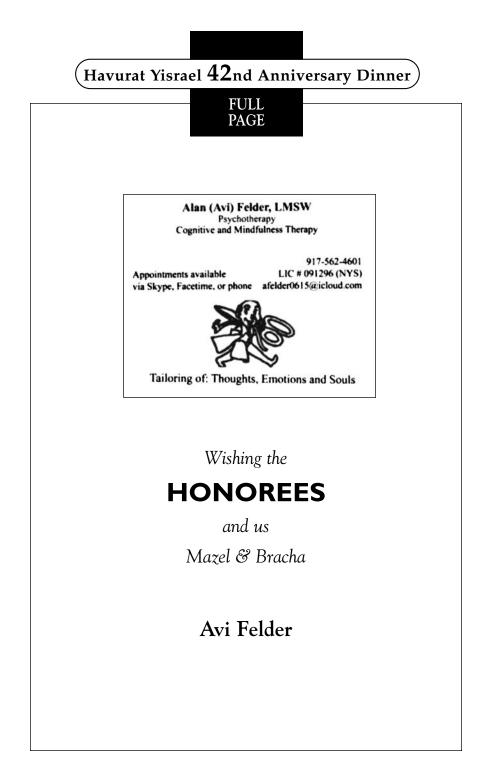
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Mazal Tov

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## HONOREES

and all our friends at

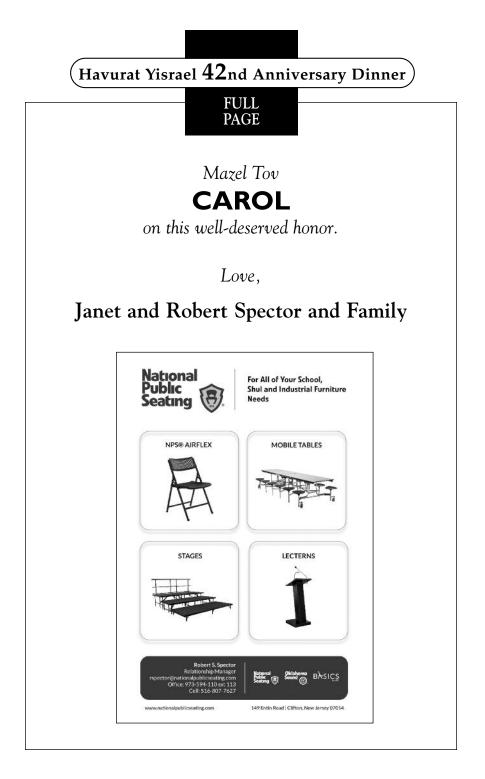
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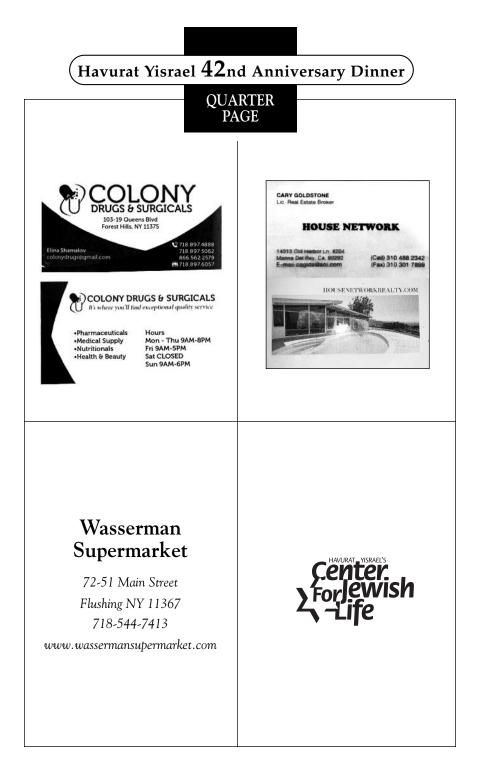
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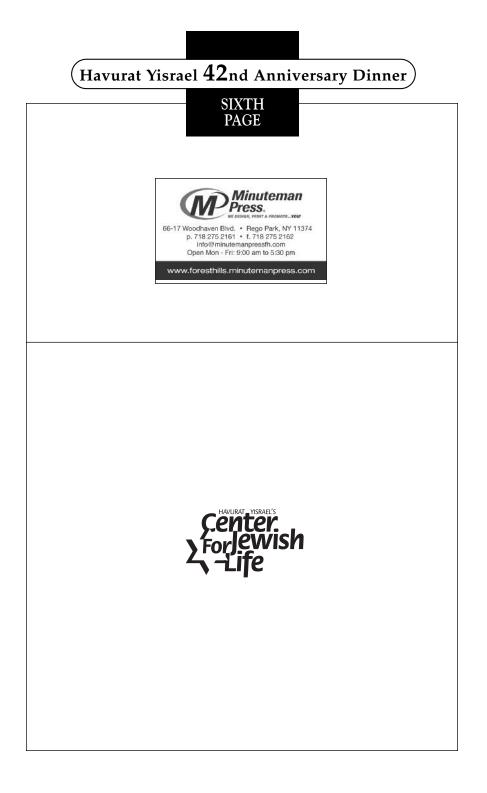
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#### A BRIEF HISTORY OF HAVURAT YISRAEL

Created in 1981 by a group of young people eager to return to the authentic voice of Judaism. Led by Rabbi Algaze, the congregation grew into one of the prominent centers of Jewish life in New York. The synagogue came to its original building in 1982 and there it attracted hundreds of families that would have been otherwise lost to the lewish people. Several thousands of individuals and families owe their start of Jewish allegiance to Havurat and, although some of them have moved away from the community, they have retained their love and gratitude to Havurat and Rabbi Algaze. Among its "graduates" are rabbis, teachers, administrators of lewish schools and authors as far away as Latin America and Israel. In 1998, due to a building collapse, the synagogue endured its most difficult challenge: exile. Yet, with G-d's help and the loyalty of its members, Havurat has miraculously returned to its original site after 17 years of wandering. Our new and comfortable building is once again open to lews of all levels with inspiration and joy. This is the message of Havurat: that the resilience of the lewish people has maintained our people in challenging times and that the message of Torah will not perish. We invite you to join the campaign to bring more lews to our tradition and to strengthen Am Israel.

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