



HFPJC a.k.a. Avoyseinu Bulletin

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A brief overview on our weekly activities

ברגשי אהבה משיגרים אנו בזה ברכת מזללא טבא

We extend our heartfelt Mazel Tov

To an esteemed friend, Reb **Shlomo Weiss** shlit"a
Upon the engagement of his son
May he and his family reap much nachas
from all their children



June 2014

Facts and Numbers

209
Completed projects

35
Ongoing projects

107
Maintained cemeteries

623
HFPJC-Active cemeteries

To receive a status report with activity details please email hfpjc@thejnet.com

Fryszak, Poland (new cemetery) Of the town's rabbanim: Reb **Mendele of Riminow** zt"l

Following rabbanim: Hgh"K Rebbe **Yitzchok L. Wagshal** zy"א (interred in new cemetery) \ Son Rebbe **Yechiel** zy"א (interred in new cemetery) \ Grandson Rebbe **Yisroel** zy"א (interred in new cemetery) \ Hgh"K Rebbe **Menachem Mendel Halberstam** zy"א [Father of **Koloshitz'er** Rav zt"l] (interred in new cemetery) [Grandson of **Baal Divrei Chaim**]

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After much effort of prominent descendants, the lofty mission of restoring this holy cemetery was launched. At this time, we commend the notable efforts of the askanim led by the **Shinove Rebbe** shlit"a who invested a lot of work to restore the site. At this time, intense work is underway to ascertain the borders, so that a protective fence can be erected around the entire cemetery.

פאלגענד איז א טיילווייזע רשימה פון די חשוב'ע קאמיטע רבנים ואנשי שם שליט"א וואס ווערט יעצט פארמירט:

London
 Rabbi **Naftali P. Englander** shlit"a
 Dayan of Hisachdus Kehilla Chareidim
 Reb **Moshe E. Stern**
 Reb **Eluzer Yosef Deutch**
 Reb **Michael Y. Lebrecht**
 Reb **Shia Oizer Reiner**
 Through the efforts of
 Reb **Yosef Schonwald**
 Reb **Shimon Flohr**

US
 Rabbi **Alter Wagshal** shlit"a
 Rabbi **Menashe Wagshal** shlit"a

Klal Yisroel is expected to join this great undertaking and zechus




והקדושים אשר בארץ המה יליצו טוב בעד כל העוסקים ומסייעים להוושע בחיי נחת וכו"ס.

Comments and Concerns · Goal: to clarify details regarding cemetery restoration #3

Question: I often read bulletins announcing updates about "Zichron Avoyseinu" where all gravestones of a cemetery are photographed and documented with thorough clarity. From what I understand, "Avoyseinu" only provides this service once the cemetery is fully restored. What's the purpose of creating such a database if the cemetery is anyways properly preserved?

Answer: It's true that "Zichron Avoyseinu" is only a byproduct of our larger goal, since our commitment is to restore and preserve cemeteries through erecting a protective fence, repairing the gravestones and arranging year-round maintenance. Nevertheless, it is still very important to document the invaluable information of the niftarim in a cemetery, as this often serves to verify the burial place and other important details of their ancestors – for descendants.

In the past week, we witnessed such an episode. After visiting kivrei avos, the family of Rabbi Yosef H. Weinstock approached "Avoyseinu" disappointed that they weren't able to properly read the date of the yahrtziet of their ancestress, Mrs. Chaya Esther a"h, wife of the esteemed Rabbi Shlomo Sofer z"l. "Avoyseinu", who produced a database of this cemetery in year 2008 when the stone was less corroded and still legible, was able to provide the information. During the conversation, they also expressed their distress that despite their very long search, they didn't find their zeide's matzeiva at all. It's impossible to describe their sheer joy when "Avoyseinu" pulled up the full information on this stone along with a clear photo of it!



The tremendous milestone of the 209 restored cemeteries through HFPJC, sponsored by the devoted descendants raised inspiration among others who want to participate in this noble mitzvah. Thus, the following column explains several concerns to assist those who wish to fulfill their obligation toward their ancestral resing sites.

- Answers on common questions
- Necessary considerations when visiting a cemetery
- Practical advice etc.

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