



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parshas Ha'azinu / Shabbat Shuvah

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September 15, 2007

Erev Rosh Hashanah (Weds Sept 12):

- Candlelighting: 6:54 PM
- Eruv Tavshilin before candlelighting*
- Mincha (two minyanim): 7:00 PM

First Day Rosh Hashanah (Thur Sept. 13):

- Shacharis 8:15 AM (Hashkama 6:45 AM)
- Shofar: Not before 10:30 AM
- Mincha: 6:00 PM followed by *Tashlich*
- Candlelighting: Not before 8:00 PM
- Maariv (two minyanim): 7:50 PM

Second Day Rosh Hashanah (Fri Sept. 14)

- Shacharis: 8:15 AM (Hashkama 6:45 AM)
- Shofar: Not before 10:30 AM
- Mincha: 6:55 PM
- Candlelighting Erev Shabbos: 6:50 PM

Shabbos Shuva (Sept 15)

- Schacharis: 9:00 AM (Hashkama 7:45AM)
 - Mincha Shabbos Day: 1:45 & 6:00 PM followed by *Shabbos Shuva drasha*: Sefer Yonah
 - Maariv: 7:50 PM
- (There will be no Kiddush, Shalosh Seudos, or Gemara Yoma Shiur on Shabbos Shuva – please plan accordingly.)

Tzom Gedalia (Sunday Sept 16)

- Fast begins 5:27 AM*
 - Slichos: 6:30, 7:20 & 8:30 AM
 - Mincha: 1:30 & 6:30 PM
 - Fast ends 7:55 PM*
- There will be no late Maariv after the fast*

Monday Sept 17 -Thursday Sept 20):

- Slichos - 40 minutes before shacharis at both 6:20/ 6:30 and 7:05/ 7:10 minyanim, 35 minutes before shacharis at 8:00 AM minyan
- Mincha - 6:45 PM

Erev Yom Kippur (Friday Sep 24):

- Slichos: 6:10, 6:50, 7:40 & 8:50 AM
- Mincha: 2:00 & 4:00 PM
- Candlelighting: 6:39 PM
- Kol Nidrei: 6:45 PM

NOTE IMPORTANT CHANGE: Beginning Monday, September 17th, late Maariv will now take place at 10:10PM Sunday thru Thursday evenings. As part of the new schedule, Tuesday night Men's Tehillim will begin 10 minutes earlier - 9:50PM - followed by Maariv at 10:10.

There will be no late Maariv on Sunday Sept. 16 a fast day

DAF YOMI YOMTOV SCHEDULE

Wed Erev Rosh Hashanah: After Maariv,
Thursday 1st day Rosh Hashanah: 5:45pm 15 minutes before mincha continuing after 7pm
Friday 2nd day: 6:15pm
Shabbos: 5:00 PM one hour before Mincha

KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP

Kiddush sponsorship is available for Succos. To sponsor a Kiddush or reserve the Kiddush room, please contact Mel Barenholtz in person, by phone or email: mbarenh@yahoo.com.

To sponsor a Shalosh Seudos, please contact

Moshe Wiesel

LOCAL ERUV

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

OHR TORAH NEWSLETTER

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ROSH HASHANAH BRIS AT HASHKAMA

The Bris for the son of Mayer and Michal Katz, grandson of Debbie and Moshe Schneider, will take place at the Hashkama minyan on the first day of Rosh Hashanah prior to Shofar blowing.

TREE OF LIFE and/or YAHRZEIT PLAQUES

To dedicate a Yahrzeit Plaque or a Leaf for the Lobby Eitz Chayim Tree, please contact Moish Nat by sending a detailed fax with all dedicatory wording to 732-442-8022. For inquiries and more info. Call Moish at 732-442-5751 during work days or 732- 572-4132 in the evening.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP

MEETING

There will be A General Membership Meeting Tuesday September 18th @ 8:00 PM. You should have received the Agenda which includes the proposed Amendments to the current Ohr Torah Constitution. Please review and bring this document to the meeting, so we can efficiently proceed with discussion and voting.

YOMIM NORAIM BABYSITTING

Ohr Torah will once again be providing complimentary babysitting (children ages 1 year and up only please) for Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur as follows:

- Rosh Hashana
Thursday September 13th from 9 AM - 3 PM
Friday September 14th from 9 AM - 3 PM
Yom Kippur
Friday evening September 21st from the start of Kol Nidrei lasting for 3 hours
Shabbat September 22nd from 9AM - 3:30 PM and again from 5:30 PM - 8 PM

There is no registration necessary and all snacks/drinks will be provided. We ask that parents with children in diapers please bring extra diapers should a change be necessary. All babysitting will take place in Room 1 downstairs. The Babysitting Coordinators will be provided with a seat map and we ask that all parents please identify your seat location to the coordinators just in case we need to find you. Still have questions...please contact Mayer Berg @ (732) 572-3429

YOUTH PROGRAM

We will have a Youth Program on both days of Rosh Hashana starting at 11:30 AM lasting until after the last set of Tekiot are blown. In

addition, we will be blowing Shofar for the children (30 Tekiot) at 11:30 AM in the Kiddush Room on both days of Yom Tov.

SHABBOS/YOM KIPPUR

CANDLE LIGHTING PROCEDURE

It is preferable for a woman to accept Shabbos or Yom Tov at the time that candles are lit. However, in special cases of necessity, a woman who needs to continue with weekday activity may do so by making the following statement before lighting candles: "I am not accepting Shabbos or Yom Tov when I light candles." Shabbos will then begin at sunset.

As such, if a woman has difficulty walking to shul on Yom Kippur and prefers to go by car, she should recite the above formula. In such instances, one should not recite "Shehechyanu" when lighting candles because once "Shehechyanu" is recited, one may not do "melacha". Instead, "Shehechyanu" should be recited with the congregation at the end of "Kol Nidrei".

Women who accept Yom Kippur with candle lighting, should recite "Shehechyanu" at that time, and not recite it again after Kol Nidrei with the congregation.

GABBAI UPDATE

Please note that the Gabbaim are updating their mishebeirach index cards and are looking for your assistance in this regard. Kindly complete the Gabbai Information Sheets found in the boxes outside the shul and return to one of the Gabbaim at your earliest convenience. Please note that such forms also request that you indicate any interest you may have in davening or leining. Thanks for your kind assistance.

SHALOS SEUDOS SIGN-UP

There is a new sign-up list on the Beis Medrash bulletin board (dates till Pesach). Please sign up for sponsors and/or Yahrtzeits so OT may keep Shalosh Seudos ongoing. Thank you and for any questions see Moshe Wiesel.

SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations

- Rabbi Israel & Alizah Poleyeff in memory of Barry Wolf's mother Rae Wolf Z"L
- Arnie Lustiger in honor of Rabbi Israel and Alizah Poleyeff for dedicating the Soloveitchik machzor to the shul

MAZEL TOV

...to Bonnie and Motty Schwartz on the birth of a grandson to their children Elana and Yonason Lubin.

OHR TORAH CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

Children can register for events at Ohr Torah's website ohrtorah.net. Any questions? Contact Mayer Berg @ (732) 572-3429.

REMINDER: The emergency Defibrillator is in the Beis Medrash Chazzon's shulchan. PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR MORE OHR TORAH INFORMATION

ALYN HOSPITAL FUNDRAISER

Our own Rachel Koenigson, who went on Aliyah three years ago, is riding for Alyn Hospital in Israel. This is a well known Children's Hospital and she is volunteering for their bikeathon. Rachel is looking for sponsors. All money raised goes directly to Alyn Hospital. Checks should be made to Alyn Hospital and mailed or dropped off at our house. Our address is 221 Washington Ave. Thank you, Rosanne

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

EDISON NOTES

- The park on North Eighth Avenue is scheduled to reopen on Monday Sept. 17, with a dedication ceremony at 4:30 PM. All are invited to attend.
- Voter registration forms are available from Izzy Rivkin or Rachel Callen.

MAYHS

MAYHS*, The Moshe Aaron Yeshiva High School, is entering its fourteenth year. We have an outstanding new administrative structure plus a group of expertly experienced teachers recently added to our faculty and anticipate a wonderful year. Over the years our students have achieved entry into the finest yeshivot and seminaries in Israel, attended the top universities in the United States, and gone on to outstanding positions in their professions and with their dedication to the Jewish communities where they live.

MAYHS gives out a large amount of tuition abatement, scholarship, each year to its families - a far higher percentage than most other high schools. Of this we are very proud, as many of our students would otherwise just not be able to study in a yeshiva high school. However being as generous as we are with scholarship means less resources to pay for the faculty and other needs of a large building and of the school. Thus we are coming to our friends in the community to ask for your support to help Moshe Aaron continue its wonderful work and to help the education and progress of our students. Every contribution is greatly appreciated. We especially are reaching out to families in the community interested in honoring or memorializing their loved ones through the naming of rooms or wings of the school, endowing chairs of study, or providing ongoing support to students through annual scholarship endowments. We thank you in advance for your generous support of *MAYHS* (34 Charles Street, South River, New Jersey 08882). We shall be pleased to speak with families at any time regarding gifts and about naming opportunities. Please call me (732-985-8355) or contact Dr. Irwin Hametz (732-572-1751). Best wishes for a healthy, peaceful New Year. *K'tiva v'chatima tova* Jesse Mintz, President

Lulav & Esrog Ordering

As in years past, a percentage of each designated Lulav & Esrog set sold will benefit Ohr Torah:

a.. Barry Siegel & family, Lulav & Esrog, sieqeldad@optonline.net, (732) 572-4408

b.. Judaica Gallery, 300 Raritan Ave, (732) 828-7722

HAT SALE

Back by popular demand, Linda Teicher will be having her fall/ Yom Tov hat sale on

Monday, Sept 17 at the home of Suri Granek, 495 Harrison Avenue, Highland Park at 8PM. Proceeds go to Yeshiva Shaarei Tzion.

BIKUR CHOLIM

Bikur Cholim of Raritan Valley is proud to participate in the annual American Cancer Society's Making Strides against Breast Cancer walk. Save the date - Sunday, October 21, 2007. Event will begin at 8:45 AM from Woodbridge Center Mall. Further details to follow. For more information, please call Bobbi Engel (732) 819-7842.

NEW WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP

Welcome to the inaugural shiur of the Faigie Reinitz z"l Memorial Women's Study Group... In the spirit of the New Year, please join the women of the Highland Park and Edison communities for an insightful shiur... "THE ACE OF TESHUVAH -- Getting the Most Out of the Yomim Noraim"

Speaker: Rabbi Motti Miller

When: September 19, 2007

Time: 9:00 PM

Where: The Heideman's
19 Ryan Road, Edison

Admission is free, but we want to make sure you have a seat! Please email sschoenfeld@physicianspractice.com with your name, email, and phone number to register. Please pass this on to anyone who may be interested...we are in the process of building our email database. This program is funded through an endowment by the Pfeffer and Reinitz families in memory of Faigie Reinitz, z"l.

CUB SCOUT MEETING

If you have any questions about Cub Scouts in general, please feel free to call Lawrence Margolin, Pack CubMaster, at 732-777-1589.

KEYLIM MIKVAH

The keylim mikvah is open Sundays 10-11:30AM. To volunteer please contact Dov or Sherry Chelst at 732-545-8867 or email DNCHLST@yahoo.com to schedule yourself or a family member.

PARK MIKVAH

The Edison/Highland Park Mikvah hours are 9-11pm, including Saturday nights. Friday night by appt only (732-249-2411) Fee is \$15. OUT OF HOURS: an ADDITIONAL \$20 fee. YOM TOV HOURS: all appts for erev Rosh HaShana and Erev Succoth MUST be made by the Tuesday night before the chag, by 8pm. The mikvah is CLOSED on Yom Kippur, and will reopen on Saturday night at 9pm.

REBBITZEN EICHENSTEIN'S CLASSES

Rebbitzin Eichenstein will be resuming her weekly classes for women: Navi class on Megillas Esther, Sunday morning, Oct 14 at 10AM at Cong. Agudath Israel and Parsha class, Monday evening, Oct 15 at 8PM at Cong. Ohr Torah. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at sieqelmom@optonline.net or Ricki Stern 732-828-6939 rickistern@yahoo.com

ACTT

Come hear Rabbi Pinchos Jung, Menahel Ruchni of Bais Rochel High School and noted speaker on Tefillah, discuss "Change the Way You Daven" at

the ACTT (Achieving Change through Torah) sponsored community-wide event on Sunday, September 16, 2007 (Tzom Gedaliah), 2:15 PM at Congregation Ahavas Achim. (Mincha at 1:30 PM). Admission is free. Sponsors at \$36, \$50, and \$100 are needed. Please write your check to "Congregation Ohr Torah Rabbi's Discretionary Fund", earmarked "ACTT sponsor", and mail to ACTT; 48 Edgemount Road; Edison, NJ 08817. Thank you. For more info, call Aviva Siegel (732) 572-4408 or Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762. ACTT web-site: www.actt613.org, e-mail: info@actt613.org, tel# (732) 993-5376.

SENIOR NCSY

1) The senior NCSY chapter is holding their annual sukkah building fundraiser on September 23rd. The price is \$50 per sukkah and \$60 for wood. This is a great way to help out our community's chapter, and free up your Sundays before the holidays begin. Please call to make a reservation ASAP, as spots are going quick. 2) Opening Event!! Sunday night September 23rd, from 6:30-8pm. Come for a night of chocolate fun at the fondue store next to Raritan video. Price is \$8 a person, but freshman are FREE!! 3) HERSHEY PARK! We will be going to Hershey Park October 1st. The bus will be leaving from RPRY at 8am and we will be returning at 9:45pm. The price for this event is \$60 and spots will be going quick! This is always the most popular event of the year and we hope to see everyone there! For more information or questions call Avi Eserner - 732-718-4786 Zehava Singer - 732-421-4559

RABBI FRAND WEEKLY TELECAST

...is scheduled at 9PM every Thursday at AA. There is a \$5 charge.

MAZAL SHIDDUCH MEETING

For information on location and to request a form please contact Sharon at SHCL18@aol.com (mailto:SHCL18@aol.com) and write "MAZAL" in the subject area.

SHIDDUCH MEETING

Please call Debbie Schaulewicz at (732) 390-8760 or Leah Weinberger at (732) 613-8797

EMPLOYMENT NETWORK OF RARITAN VALLEY

For info, go to www.ENRV.org, or contact Bob Lansey at ENRV@verizon.net or 732-819-8651.

YOM KIPPUR

Candlelighting:	6:39PM
Kol Nidrei	6:45PM

VISIT OHR TORAH ON THE WEB!

Ohr Torah can now be found on the internet at <http://www.ohrtorah.net> You can join the email list for Weekly Announcements. Any ideas and comments about the site can be sent to webmaster@ohrtorah.net Announcements should be sent to announcements@ohrtorah.net Submit all announcements by 7 PM Wednesday.

TELEPHONE: Call 732-777-6840, press Newsletter option (spell all names)

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