



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parsha Toldot

29 Cheshvan 5768

November 10, 2007

Candlelighting:	4:27PM
Mincha & Kabolos Shabbos:	4:35PM
Shacharis:	7:45 & 9:00 AM
<i>Rabbi Hoffman's Gemara Avoda Zara Shiur – After Hashkama</i>	
Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA):	9:09AM
Early Mincha:	1:30 PM
NOTE EARLIER TIME FOR EARLY MINCHA	
<i>Rabbi Luban's Gemara Yoma Shiur 3:50 PM</i>	
Mincha:	4:20 PM
<i>Shalosh Seudos Speaker: R. Moshe Weinberg</i>	
<i>Rosh Kollel – Me'or Yeshaya (Beitar Illit)</i>	
Maariv:	5:30PM
Weekday Shacharis:	
Sun (Rosh Chodesh)	7:05, 8 & 9 AM
Mon & Thur:	6:20, 7:05 & 8AM
Tues. Wed. & Fri	6:30, 7:10 & 8AM
Weekday Mincha/ Maariv: 4:30 PM	
Weekday Maariv:	7:30 & 10:10 PM
<i>Tuesday Tehillim 9:50 PM</i>	
<i>Rabbi Luban's Halachic Responsa Shiur: 9:10 PM on Monday</i>	
<i>TOPIC: Inheriting leadership positions.</i>	
WINTER DAF YOMI SCHEDULE	
Monday – Thur:	After 7:30 Maariv
Fri:	After Maariv
Shabbos:	8:15 AM or after Hashkama Minyan
Sunday:	After 8 AM Shacharis

Medrash on Shabbos There is a great need to provide that minyan with proper Chumashim & Siddurim. OT has purchased 100 of the ArtScroll travel size combination Stone Chumash & Siddur. Dedications are available for \$30 per Chumash/Siddur. Please let Barry Siegel (siegeldad@optonline.net), Meir Berg or Harvey Atlas know if you would like to dedicate these. Thanks for your help!

Please contact Barry Siegel, Charlie Gershbaum, Lyndon Goldsmith or Meir Berg to purchase tickets. All proceeds support the OT Youth programs.

BOARD MEETING

There will be a Board Meeting on Tuesday November 13th at 8PM.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

RPRY MISHMAR PROGRAM

Mishmar learning program is held at RPRY every Motzei Shabbat, This week @ 7:00. Please bring your own seforim. Cost is \$2.00 which includes, pizza, donuts, prizes and raffles.

RJJ LUNCHEON

RJJ announces that its Annual Ladies Luncheon will be held on Sunday, December 16 at 12 Noon. More details to follow. All women in the community are invited to attend.

ACTT

The ACTT organization (Achieving Change Through Torah) is sponsoring an inspirational evening, Saturday night, Nov 17, 2007 at 8:30 PM at Cong. Etz Chaim for the Judging Favorably Module 2 Kickoff event. Rabbi Steven Miodownik, Moreh D'Asra, Congregation Ahavas Achim, will be the featured speaker. Admission is free and the entire community is encouraged to attend. Sponsors are welcome. For more info, call Jonathan Abrahams (732) 220-2946, Wendy Bar (732) 220-8765, Joe Friedman (732) 732-985-8014, Michael Lafond (732) 432-9860, Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762, or Aviva Siegel (732) 572-4408. Web-site www.actt613.org, e-mail info@actt613.org, or call (732) 993-5376.

RJJ HALACHA SERIES

Halachos of Shabbos by Rabbi Zvi Goldman on 9:15 AM Sundays at RJJ, 1 Plainfield Rd.

AHAVAS ACHIM UNIVERSITY

Ahavas Achim University presents two of the most popular shiurim in the country via satellite every week in the Beit Midrash. On Saturday nights, Rabbi Yisroel Reisman delivers his Navi class in Brooklyn, but you can enjoy it in Highland Park Thru Nov. and Dec. at 7:30 p.m.. On Thursday nights at 9:00 p.m., Rabbi Yissocher Frand delivers his Parshat Hashavua class in Baltimore, broadcast straight to us. Admission is \$5/person.

JR NCSY EVENTS

The Highland Park Jr. NCSY Shabbaton is this Shabbos at Ohav Emes. We would like to thank all the families that have opened their homes to all the guests this Shabbos. If you would like to sponsor an event or drop-in-zone, please contact Moshe or Phili.

Also if you have not signed up for membership yet, you can sign up online at www.njncsy.com. Membership is mandatory to attend any shabbaton but not an event. For more info please call Phili Hernandez at 609-647-6842 or Moshe Stern at 732-777-1325.

MAZEL TOV

...to Rabbi and Mrs. Yaakov Luban on the birth of their granddaughter, Pessy, to their children Shollie and Sara Luban.

....to David Smith on the occasion of his Bar Mitzva this Sunday, Rosh Chodesh Kislev, at the Kotel. Mazel Tov to parents Ira & Ellen, sisters Deena & Rebecca and grandparents Leon & Rita Smith and Jack Cohen.

OHR TORAH YOUTH EVENT

On Saturday night November 17th Ohr Torah will head to United Skates of America (Grades 3 - 8) at the Woodbridge Community Center for an evening of roller skating/blading with an 8:15 PM bus from Ohr Torah and an 11:15 PM return to the Shul...cost is \$20 per child. Price includes bus transportation to/from facility, 2 hour use of roller skating/blading rink, roller skate or blade rentals and snacks/drinks at facility. Any children who own their own skates are encouraged to bring them as rentals will be limited.

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

THANK YOU

Barry Siegel and Edith Mazer (Mom) would like to thank the Rabbi, as well as all, for their Chessed, friendship and help during the recent Shiva period for my stepfather Irving Mazer Z"L. It was very much appreciated.

RITUAL COMMITTEE

If you have any Ritual Committee issues or questions that need to be addressed at the next Ritual Committee meeting, please E_mail Rabbi Israel Poleyeff <rispol@optonline.net>

OHR TORAH ANNUAL YOUTH RAFFLE

Please help support Ohr Torah's youth groups by purchasing raffle ticket(s). The cost of the tickets are one for \$36, two for \$70, or 3 for \$100. The drawing will be held at the annual Shul dinner in December.

KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP

Kiddush sponsorship is available for:

Nov 24th and Dec 8th & 22nd.

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

To subscribe to the Weekly Announcements by email, please send an email to info@ohrtorah.net and request to be added to the distribution list.

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.

BARUCH HABAH

Ohr Torah would like to warmly welcome newcomers, visitors and guests who are joining us for Shabbat. If our President, Allen Kessel or Rabbi Yaakov Luban does not get a chance to welcome you personally, please come up and introduce yourself. We would like to greet and meet you!

CHUMASH DEDICATION OPPORTUNITY

The teen minyan has outgrown the OT Beis Medrash and now davens in the RPRY Beis

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

AA SISTERHOOD CHANUKAH BOUTIQUE

The Sisterhood of Congregation Ahavas Achim is having a Chanukah Boutique on Wednesday, November 14th from 7:30 - 10 PM. About 30 vendors are expected. Something for everyone!

REBBITZEN EICHENSTEIN

Rebbitzen Eichenstein will be having her Parsha class, Monday evening, Nov 12 at 8PM at Cong. Ohr Torah. Due to the Bikur Cholim volunteer appreciation brunch, class will not be held on Sunday, Nov 11. Classes are for women only. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at siegelmom@optonline.net or Ricki Stern 732-828-6939 rickistern@yahoo.com

REBBETZIN HELLER TELECONFERENCE

Join Rebbetzin Tziporah Heller LIVE via a Teleconference Call on Tuesday, Nov 13, 10AM (NY Time). Topic: Kislev - Its spiritual potential and the ways we can tap into it. All women are invited to participate. This shiur is being sponsored generously as a merit for a refuah shleima for Tzivia Bas Baila (Please keep davening). To participate, at the appropriate time call: 1-712-580-0362, Enter Access Code: 573392, followed by the # sign. PLEASE PRESS *6 (Star 6) TO MUTE YOURSELF!!! This lecture will be a FREE introduction to a SPECIAL ROSH CHODESH SERIES Rebbetzin Heller will lead this year (5768). Explore the uniqueness of each month with Rebbetzin Heller!! To register for the ROSH CHODESH SERIES, or for more information, click on www.jewishlearningLIVE.com or call 1-641-715-3900 ext. 29326#

CONCERT IN HIGHLAND PARK

On Motzei Shabbos Chanuka, December 8, 2007 @ 8 PM there will be a concert at Highland Park High School starring acclaimed Jewish music star, Eitan Katz. All proceeds from ticket sales will be going to Bikur Cholim of Raritan Valley. Tickets are now available for purchase online at either www.eitankatz.com or www.hpconcert.com. This concert will sell out so please buy your tickets early. Receipts for your donation will be available at the concert.

RABBI TWERSKI TO SPEAK

On Sunday, December 2, 2007, Khal Chasidim of Highland Park will present an evening with acclaimed scholar and author, Dr. Abraham J. Twerski. Dr. Twerski will be discussing his most recent publication "Happiness and the Human Spirit." The lecture will take place at 7:30 pm in the RPRY Bais Medrish. The lecture is provided as a community service and is free of charge.

SENIOR NCSY EVENT

We will be going to see the New York Rangers play the Dallas Stars on Sunday November 25th. The cost is \$40 which includes the game ticket and the train ticket. (A REALLY GREAT DEAL) We will meet at the train Edison Train Station at 10:40am and returning around 8:00pm. We hope to see you there! Please let us know as soon as possible if you plan on coming, because there are limited spots. For more info please call, Avi Eserner 732 718 4786 Shira Lankin 732 406 3844 Zahava Singer 732 421 4559.

PRE-ALIYAH SEMINAR

Nefesh B'Nefesh Presents: PRE-ALIYAH SEMINAR: Short & Long Term Aliyah Planning. Monday, November 12th, 2007 • 8:00pm-10:00pm, Hilton Garden Inn, 50 Raritan Center Parkway, Edison. Meet with our professional staff and get practical information and advice on Employment in Israel, Children, Family and Aliyah, NBN Services and Benefits, Rights ("Zechuyot") as a New Oleh, Pre & Post-Aliyah Guidance & Strategies, Communities, Taxes, Schooling and more! For more information or to register for this event, please visit: www.nbn.org.il. AND PERSONAL MEETINGS Monday, November 12th, 2007 One-on-One Employment and Pre-Aliyah Counseling meetings are available with NBN staff, by appointment only. Call 1-866-4-ALIYAH to schedule an appointment.

AA MEN'S CLUB

Something's brewing at the Ahavas Achim Men's Club! All men over 21 are invited to the Men's Club's first beer- and Torah-tasting event! Come to the Social Hall on Tuesday, Nov 27, at 9pm for "Tap into Torah," a presentation of biblical and talmudic proportions by Ira Rosen, beer snob. Take a hops, skip and jump over to AA (the shul, not the other AA) for an evening that will generate much ferment. Admission: \$5/person. Please contact Ira at ira_rosen@yahoo.com for more info.

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.

BIKUR CHOLIM FORMING MINYAN

Bikur Cholim is attempting to compile a list of men who may be available to participate in minyanim at the local area hospitals on an "as needed" basis. A list such as this would make it easier to put together a minyan quickly when the need arises. In addition, it could also be helpful for minyanim at a shiva home, rachmana letzlan, especially on short days during the winter months. Anyone who can be available for tefillos either during the week (winter or summer seasons) or who may be available to walk to RWJ Hospital on a Shabbos or Yom Tov to make a minyan should either contact Larry Greenspan at 732-828-5642 (home) or 732-501-5455 (cell) or Mordy Brill either by e-mail (mordb@msn.com) or by phone at 732-819-8351.

OHAV EMETH GUEST SPEAKER

OE is pleased to welcome Rabbi Yehonason Alpren as our scholar-in-residence on November 30 - December 1. Trained as a commercial lawyer in the West End of London, Rabbi Alpren has been learning for more than 25 years at the Mirer Yeshiva in Yerushalayim, where he received smicha. On Friday night at 8:00PM, Rabbi Alpren will give a shiur on "Naros Channukkah—Mehadrin min hamahadrin" (source material to be provided). On Shabbos morning (after shachris of 8:45AM minyan) the topic is: "Matching Beauty—Yosef and Chanukkah." The third talk, during Seuda Shelishit will be on "Tefillah: A Bridge to Communication." Please note that Rabbi Alpren has been researching a new book on Tefillah, which is planned to be published soon after Rosh Hashana. Benefactors and sponsors are needed for the

book. Please see either Jeff Schein (545-9353) or Don Becker (777-9386) for details.

WOMEN'S PARSHA CLASS

Mrs. Miri Cohen's ladies Parsha class will meet Wednesday morning, Nov 14 at 9:15AM at the home of Lynn Hanfling, 47 Leslie St., Edison. For more info, please contact Azriella Jaffe 732-985-7613.

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 DNCHELST@yahoo.com to schedule yourself or a family member.

PARK MIKVAH

The Edison/Highland Park Mikvah will have NEW hours, starting Sunday night, NOVEMBER 4. Saturday -Thursday evenings: 8:30pm -10:30pm. Friday nights by appt only. Call 732-249-2411. Fee is \$15. OUT OF HOURS: an ADDITIONAL \$20 fee.

CARLEBACH MELAVE MALKA

You're Invited To A Melave Malka In Honor of The 13th YAHRZEIT of Rabbi Shlomo Carlebach z"l L'zecher Nishmas Rav Shlomo Ben Harav Naftali An evening of Rav Shlomo's Niggunim, Stories, and Divrei Torah. Bring your own musical instruments (no electric) and anecdotes. If You Would Like To Co-sponsor This Community-Wide Event Please Call (732) 572-2707 Or email RebShlomominyan@aol.com Saturday Night 11/17/07 Melave Malke 9:30 P.M. at the home of the Wildmans 66 Hamlin Road, Edison.

SENIOR NCSY

For more info or questions call Avi Eserner - 732-718-4786 Zehava Singer - 732-421-4559

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 Lansay at ENRV@verizon.net or 732-819-8651.

Parshas Vayetze

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| • Candlelighting | 4:21 PM |
| • Mincha | 4:30 PM |

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