



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parshas Bamidbar

26 Iyar 5768

May 31, 2008

Candlelighting:	8:02PM
PLAG MINCHA:	6:00PM
Mincha & Kabolos Shabbos:	7:00 & 8:10PM
Shacharis:	7:45 & 9:00 AM
<i>Rabbi Hoffman's Gemara Avoda Zara Shiur – after Hashkama</i>	
Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA):	9:12AM
Early Mincha:	1:45 PM
Kollel Learning Seder	4-6 PM
Kollel Mincha	6 PM
<i>Rabbi Luban's Gemara Yoma Shiur: 7:10 PM</i>	
Mincha:	7:55 PM
<i>Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Josh Rapps</i>	
Maariv:	9:05 PM
<u>Weekday Shacharis:</u>	
Sun	7:15, 8 & 9AM
Mon & Thu	6:20, 7:05 & 8 AM
Tues., & Fri.	6:30, 7:10 & 8 AM
Wed (Rosh Chodesh)	6:10, 7:05 & 8 AM
<u>Weekday Mincha/ Maariv:</u>	8:10PM
<u>Weekday Maariv:</u>	10:10 PM
<i>Rabbi Luban's Halachic Responsa Shiur : Cancelled until after Shavuos Tuesday Tehillim 9:50 PM</i>	
<u>DAF YOMI SUMMER SCHEDULE</u>	
Monday–Thur: starting at 7:30 and stopping for Mincha and Maariv and finishing after Maariv.	
Fri: After 1ST Minyan,	
Shabbos: 1 hour before Mincha	
Sunday: After 8 AM Shacharis	
On Monday, Memorial Day, the Daf Yomi started a new mesechta, Mesechta Sotah, a relatively short mesechta. All those wishing to start a new mesechta are urged to attend.	

BARUCH HABA

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

KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP

Kiddush sponsorship is available for June 28th and July 5th 12th, 19th & 26th. 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.

OHR TORAH NEWSLETTER

To subscribe to these Announcements, please email info@ohrtorah.net and request to be added to the distribution.

BUILDING DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIES

Contact Moshe Schneider at 732-618-4702 or at mschneider19@yahoo.com

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 adetailed fax with all dedicatory wording to 732-442-8022. For more info. Call Moish at 732-442-5751 during work days or 732-572-4132 in the evening.

SEFORIM DEDICATIONS

Book/Seforim Dedications of all types are available by contacting Barry Siegel at siegeldad@optonline.net or 732-572-4408.

HOUSEKEEPING

For housekeeping issues and inquiries contact Lou Smith at ludēju@gmail.com or 732-572-5633.

OHR TORAH YOUTH PROGRAM EVENTS

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

KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week is sponsored by Susan and Leibe Haller in honor of Eli's Aufruf

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

There will be a General Membership Meeting Tuesday June 24th at 8:30 PM. Agendas will be mailed out shortly.

TORAH TAPE LIBRARY GOING LIVE

The newly reorganized Torah Tape Library is ready to go live. The planned startup date is before Shavuos. To browse the 1900+ titles and register for a bar coded library card [required to use library] go to <http://rvttl.compugene.com> Please note there is NO www in the web site address.

MAZEL TOV

...to Susan And Leibe Haller on the Aufruf of their son Eli today and on his forthcoming marriage to Kimmy Tau daughter of Sandy and Jay Tau of Woodmere, NY. Mazel Tov to Kimmy's parents, Sandy and Jay Tau, to the Grandparents Bernard Haller and Marsha Malin and the entire Haller and Tau Mishpachas.

...to Sender Gross on his Aufruf this Shabbos at the Hashkama Minyan and his forthcoming marriage to Atara Grunsprech of Teaneck

...to Hinda and Barry Herman on the birth of a son to their children, Orit and Tzvi Herman. Mazel Tov to sister Rena, Yael and Mordechai Respler and the entire Herman/Respler families. *The Shalom Zachor will iy"H be at the home of Hinda and Barry Herman, 11 Ryan Road, Edison at 9:30 Friday Night.*

...to Dorene and Allan Weitz on the engagement of their daughter Tiffany to Moshe Lehrer of Los Angeles. Mazel Tov to his parents, Jack and Linda Lehrer of Montreal and to all of the siblings.

...to Miriam & Danny Ravitz on the birth of a son to Shmueli & Devorah.

...to Sima Milgraum on the engagement of Elchanan to Rena Nussbaum. Mazel Tov to grandfather Henry Chesner.

...to Adrienne and Aviv Orani on the birth of Yisrael Meir to Estee and Aviel Gorenstein.

...to Bonnie & Gary Schechter on the engagement of their daughter Allison to Jonathan Mell of Teaneck. Mazel Tov to Jonathan's parents Belle and Maurice Mell, her grandparents Leah and Jerry Schneider, her aunt and uncle Elise and Edward Schechter and the entire family.

...to Leah and Harvey Paretzky on Mordechai's graduation from Lander College

PEREK ON THE LAWN

Ohr Torah's Perek on the Lawn series begins this Shabbos, May 31, 2008, at the home of Caren and Alan Heideman, 19 Ryan Rd. The shiur led by Rabbi Luban, will begin promptly at 5:30 PM and is open to all men and women. The shiur will be followed by a light snack. We hope to see you there.

UPCOMING SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE –

SAVE THE DATE

Rabbi Yitzchak Etshalom of Los Angeles will be Ohr Torah Scholar in Residence on Shabbat, June 27/28. Rabbi Etshalom has been a dynamic and exciting educator in the Los Angeles community since his return in 1985. His ability to reach out to today's youth and share with them his passion for Jewish learning and Jewish life has enriched many young lives. His talents, however, are not confined to the classroom – he is an accomplished storyteller, radio host and songwriter and has produced tapes of both his own stories and music. Rabbi Etshalom, whose first book "Between the Lines of the Bible" was published by Yashar Books in March, 2006, serves on the faculties of the Yeshiva of Los Angeles and the Simon Wiesenthal Center as Associate Director of Project Next Step, along with serving as chair of the Bible Department at the prestigious Yeshiva University High Schools of Los Angeles. Don't miss this fascinating thinker and speaker! Details to follow.

SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:
 -Elliot and Adrienne Bienenstock in memory of Rochelle Kassai's father Moshe Neuman Z"L.
 -Friends of Nachum Sorkin in memory of Nachum Sorkin's father Mordechai Z"L.
 -Marcia & Paul Pheffer in honor of Rabbi & Rebbitzin Luban, on the birth of grandson Eliyahu Luban.
 -Marcia & Paul Pheffer in honor of the engagement of Ahuva Moriah Teitz & Avraham Elan Anouchi.
 -Marcia & Paul Pheffer in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Ethan Lerner.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

NIGHTLY TEHILLIM BY PHONE

You can join the women and girls of Edison/ HP in a nightly tehillim gathering and a halacha on Shemiras Halashon 8:45-8:55 PM punctually, as a zechus for a refua sheleimah for a member of our community. Dial 401-694-1602 followed by PIN # 18, and press the mute button on your phone.

NEW JERSEY PRIMARY

Please be sure to vote on Tuesday, June 3, in the New Jersey Primary.

FEDERATION DEMOGRAPHIC STUDY

Sunday, June 15th (Father's Day) is the official launch date for the Greater Middlesex Jewish Community Study, facilitated by the Jewish Federation of Greater Middlesex County. Dr. Ira Sheskin, a nationally

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renowned demographer, has designed and customized the study for our community. This analysis will identify unmet needs, anticipate trends and help our service providers strategically meet the needs of Jewish residents. Synagogues and Jewish organizations can strategically recruit membership and plan for the future. Calls to 20,000 residents of Middlesex County will be anonymous and randomly selected. A strategic long-range plan will implement key points of the study. While the study is spearheaded and funded by Federation, synagogues, agencies and Jewish organizations will have access to all results (all 800 slides will be available online). Local residents have been hired to make the calls. **Please answer the phone if called!!!! The demographer estimates that every hang-up costs our community \$50. Your response will direct future services.**

Feel free to contact the Federation with any questions or comments at (732) 432-7711 ext. 24 or lsafran@jf-gmc.org

SALUTE TO ISRAEL PARADE

Join our local Federation at the Salute to Israel Parade on Sunday, June 1. There is still room for more spectators on the bus leaving from the Federation parking lot. The fee is \$20.00 per person and includes a tee shirt. Please call Carolyn at the Federation (732-432-7711 x20) to register. The designated viewing area for our community is East 71 Street, on the east side of 5th Ave. If you are interested in marching, please contact Abby Hochhauser (732-572-5241 or abby.hochhauser@gmail.com). Among those marching with our Federation will be MAYHS, RPRY, Young Israel of E. Brunswick, Solomon Schechter of E. Brunswick, and the East Brunswick Jewish Center.

Please come and show your support and be counted – participants are counted by our legislators and others

YESHIVA TIFERES NAFTOLI ANNUAL DINNER

The Third Annual Yeshiva Tiferes Naftoli Dinner will be held June 15 honoring Rabbi and Mrs. Yaakov Wasser and Warren and Lisa Fink. Please support Torah in the Central New Jersey Jewish community and respond generously to the Yeshiva's major fundraising event of the year. For information about the Yeshiva or this campaign,

please contact Russell N. Adler, Esq. Epstein, Becker & Green, P. C.
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212-351-4783

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Newark, NJ 07102-5003
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BIKUR CHOLIM EVENT

Bikur Cholim of Raritan Valley invites the entire community to a lecture given by Rabbi Dr. Abraham J. Twerski on the topic of Family Wellness (Child-Raising, Teens at Risk, Spousal Relationships). June 1, 2008, 7:00 PM at Congregation Ohav Emeth. Mincha at 6:45 PM; Maariv following the lecture. Admission is free; Suggested Donation \$10.00. For Sponsorships or more information, please call Marla Rottenstreich 732-317-2784 or Mira Septimus 732-514-9154. All proceeds to be donated to SPARKS - Serving Pre & Post natal women and families with Awareness, Relief, Knowledge, and Support

EMUNAH EVENT

Emunah is proud to present a very special speaker. Liesel Appel was born in Klingenberg, Germany in 1941 to Hitler's Minister of Education. She graduated from teachers college in Limburg to become a nursery school teacher. Then she fled her past and left her native Germany. In 1990 Liesel converted to Judaism. A lecturer, Liesel has traveled the U.S. to tell her story, to educate and promote peace. A philanthropist, she has raised several millions of dollars for charities, many of them Jewish causes. She continues to search for her "neighbor's son", the title of her current book. Liesel is currently finishing her second book, "Third Generation." June 12, 8pm at the Orani home – 292 North 5th Avenue. Donation: \$5.00 Questions: Sharon Hirt 732-777-0462

REBBITZEN EICHENSTEIN'S WOMEN'S NAVI CLASSES

Rebbitzten Eichenstein will be having her Navi class on Megillas Eichah, Sunday morning, June 1 at 10:00 AM at Cong. Agudath Israel and Parsha class, Monday evening, June 2 at 8:00 PM at Cong. Ohr Torah. Classes are for women only. For more information, please contact Aviva Siegel at siegelmom@optonline.net or Ricki Stern 732-828-6939 rickistern@yahoo.com.

MRS. MIRI COHEN'S PARSHA CLASSES

Mrs. Miri Cohen's ladies Parsha class will meet Tuesday morning, June 3 at 9:15 AM at the home of Azriella Jaffe, 1601 Drier Place, Highland Park (corner of Washington and Drier). For more information, please call Azriella 732-985-7613. Mrs. Miri Cohen's ladies Parsha class will also meet on Wednesday morning, June 4 at 9:00 AM at the

home of Mrs. Cohen, 115 South 8th Avenue, Highland Park. For more information, please call Chana Weinstein 732-572-0471.

JR NCSY EVENTS & NEWS

On Wednesday June 11, We will be having our annual closing event at Ahavas Achim (A.A.) from 6:30-8:00 PM. All 6th, 7th, & 8th graders are invited. We would also like to invite our next class of NCSY'ers from the 5th grade to join us. Come out for some pizza, win some prizes and have a great time. The cost is \$5. 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 information please call Phili Hernandez at 609-647-6842 or Moshe Stern at 732-777-1325 or check us out online at www.njncsy.com

PARK MIKVAH

Edison/Highland Park Mikvah hours are Sun-Thurs 9-11pm. Friday night by appt only. SATURDAY NIGHTS in MAY, the mikvah will be open for 1 1/2 hours after opening which is: May 31st: 10pm. YOU MUST ARRIVE AND LEAVE DURING REGULAR MIKVAH HOURS. Fee \$15. Out of Hours: an additional \$20 fee. Call 732-249-2411.

EMPLOYMENT NETWORK OF RARITAN VALLEY

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

LOCAL ERUV

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

Parshas Naso

- Candlelighting 8:07 PM
- Plag Mincha 6:00 PM
- Mincha/ Kabolos Shabbos 7 & 8:15 PM

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

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