



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi

Allen Kessel - President

Parshas Korach

25 Sivan 5768

June 28, 2008

Candlelighting: 8:14PM
Plag Mincha: 6:00PM
Mincha & Kabolos Shabbos: 7:00 & 8:20PM
Shacharis: 7:45 & 9:00 AM
Rabbi Hoffman's Shiur – after Hashkama
Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA): 9:15AM
Early Mincha: 1:45 PM
Kollel Learning Seder 4-6 PM
Kollel Mincha 6 PM
 Rabbi Luban's Gemara Megillah: 6:55 PM
Mincha: 7:40 PM
NOTE EARLIER TIME FOR RABBI'S SHIUR AND MINCHA TO ACCOMODATE SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE AS SHALOSH SEUDOS SPEAKER
Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Rabbi Etshalom – Scholar in Residence
Maariv: 9:15 PM
Weekday Shacharis:
Sun 7:15, 8 & 9AM
Mon. 6:20, 7:05, 8 & 9 AM
Tue, Wed 6:30, 7:10, 8 & 9 AM
Thur. (Rosh Chodesh) 6:10, 7:05, 8 & 9 AM
Fri. (Rosh Chod. / July 4) 7:05, 8 & 9 AM
Weekday Mincha/ Maariv: 8:20PM
Weekday Maariv: 10:10 PM
Tuesday Tehillim 9:50

DAF YOMI SUMMER SCHEDULE

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

BARUCH HABAH

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 July 9th, 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 a detailed 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 luddeju@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.

MAZEL TOV

... to David Katz and Alexandra Rimer on the birth of a son. Mazel Tov to the grandparents Barry and Carole Rimer and Gloria Katz, and to the siblings, Zachariah and Dalya Stokar.

The Shalom Zachor will take place at 100 North Fifth Avenue at 9:00 p.m., and the Bris will take place Monday morning after the 7:05 a.m. Minyan at Congregation Ohr Torah.

...to Liz and Murray Katz on the aufruf and forthcoming marriage of their son Doni, to Stephanie Shelan of Longview, Texas. Mazel Tov to Stephanie's parents, Debbie and Evan Shelan, and to the entire Katz and Shelan families.

...to Margaret and Yaakov Gorlin on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Nesanel Tzvi, at OE this Shabbos. Mazel Tov to the grandparents, Marilyn and Morris Gorlin, and the entire Gorlin family.

...to Barbara and Herb Engel on the birth of a son to their daughter Dana.

SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE

Rabbi Yitzchak Etshalom

Rabbi Yitzchak Etshalom of Los Angeles will be our Scholar-in-Residence this Shabbat. Rabbi Etshalom, whose first book, "Between the Lines of the Bible" was published by Yashar Books in 2006, chairs the Bible Department at Yeshiva University High School of Los Angeles (YULA). An accomplished storyteller, radio host and songwriter, Rabbi Etshalom serves as Senior Scholar at the Simon Wiesenthal Center. Rabbi Etshalom is a sought-after speaker, known for his command of textual sources and his innovative ability to weave them together. He has regular podcasts in T'nakh (www.etshalom.com/podcast) and Daf Yomi (www.dafyomiyicc.org) which are available to the public.

You have four opportunities to hear this fascinating thinker :

- A FRIDAY NIGHT tish at 9:30 pm in the Kessel home (18 Harrison St)
- SHABBOS MORNING drashah at Ohr Torah "From the Inside Out: Reflections on Sefer Bamidbar".
- OT's PEREK on the Lawn at 5:30 pm in the Mondrow backyard (25 Marshall Dr) "Bil'am v. Avraham – Genesis of Polarization" (Ch. 5, Mishnah 17)
- SEUDAH SHLISHEET following 7:40 pm Mincha "The Other Side of the Story – the Mystery of Parashat Bil'am". Don't miss this special event!

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Mel Barenholtz in memory of Mynda Kate Barenholtz, A"H, whose Yahrzeit is this coming Wednesday, 29 Sivan.

PEREK ON THE LAWN

Ohr Torah's Perek on the Lawn series continues this Shabbos, June 28, 2008, at the home of Daniel and Audrey Mondrow, 25 Marshall Drive. The shiur led by Rabbi Yitzchak Etshalom, 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.

CONGREGATION OHR TORAH

MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Ohr Torah is having a current membership drive. We would like to invite all those who attend the Shul often, to become full or associate members and to officially join Ohr Torah in partnership. Likewise, if you are an associate member and would like to become a full member, please consider upgrading. Please contact Brian Allen, Allen Kessel, or Yoel Schwartz.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Judy and Netanel Mazor
 Reena and Larry Greenspan

GRAND REOPENING of TORAH TAPE LIBRARY

The grand reopening of the Torah Tape Library is scheduled for this Sunday June 29th between 10:00 AM and 12:00 PM. Come browse and borrow from over 2000 titles. Please remember to bring your Torah Tape library card or register for your very own bar coded library card. Weekday hours are Monday-Thursday between 7:00-9:00 PM. Sunday hours are 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM. Thank you to David and Mindy Waizer for their generous donation to the library. You can register at [HTTP://RVTTL.COMPUGENE.COM](http://RVTTL.COMPUGENE.COM)

SEFORIM DEDICATION

Rabbi Luban's Shabbos afternoon pre-Mincha shiur will be starting Gemara Megillah this week. All are welcome to join as we start learning Halachos of Megillas Esther. Thanks to the David Gottlieb, Harvey Atlas & Jeffrey Berg families for sponsoring the new Gemaras for this Shiur.

CANTORIAL CONCERT

The Cantorial Council of America (CCA), an affiliate organization of the Philip and Sarah Belz School of Jewish Music at Yeshiva University, will hold its annual convention

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from July 1-3, 2008 at the Radisson hotel, Piscataway, NJ.

As part of their convention, they will hold a gala Cantorial concert in Congregation Ohr Torah, in Edison, NJ on Wednesday July 2, 2008 at 8:00 PM. Admission is only \$10. This concert will be held in honor of the 60th Anniversary of the State of Israel and will feature Cantors Pinchas Cohen, Yaacov Lemmer, Zev Muller and Aryeh Samberg singing familiar Cantorial selections and meaningful tefilos in honor of the occasion.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

KEYLIM MIKVAH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to open the Keylim Mikvah Sunday Mornings at 9:00 AM and return at 11:00 AM to close up. Please contact Allen Kessel, Moish Wiesel, Leslie Ney or Aviva Siegel to directly sustain this community wide essential service.

RUTGERS JEWISH EXPERIENCE PARLOR MEETING

The entire HP/Edison community is invited to meet the students and staff of the Rutgers Jewish Xperience at the home of Elie Borger, 26 Leslie St. On Sunday June 29 at 8PM. You will hear from the students about the life changing work that the RJX does and learn how you can get involved. For more info contact Phil Pfeffer at ppfeffer@chadbourne.com.

REMINDER TO THE COMMUNITY

Please remind the congregants to follow safety rules when walking in the street at night. It is important to wear a reflective vest if walking in the street.

ERUV INSPECTOR NEEDED

A volunteer is needed to check the portion of the eruv on River Road between Raritan Avenue and the railroad trestle. Please contact Israel Rivkin.

NIGHTLY TEHILLIM BY PHONE

You can join the women and girls of Edison/ HP in a nightly tehilim 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.

ACTT

The ACTT organization (Achieving Change through Torah) is doing the Ahavas Chesed Module 3. Please attend a virtual kickoff event for Ahavas Chesed Module 3 by listening to one of the Ahavas Chesed audio shiurim on the ACTT web site Events page, www.actt613.org/2.html. Save the date - ACTT is having a kickoff event on Sunday, August

3, 2008 at 8:00 PM. More details to follow. For more info, e-mail info@actt613.org, see the ACTT web-site: www.actt613.org, or 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.

JEWISH FEDERATION ANNOUNCES JEWISH HERITAGE NIGHT WITH THE TRENTON THUNDER

The Trenton Thunder is hosting a Jewish Heritage Night on Thursday, July 10. Prior to the game, at 6PM, there will be a concert by the Jewish rock band Blue Fringe. The game starts at 7:05 PM and will be followed by fireworks. There will be a section of the ball park for the Middlesex County Jewish Community. Tickets are \$6 each and can be purchased by contacting the Federation office at 732-432-7711. Order forms are also available. Info is also available on the Federation's website, JewishMiddlesex.org.

VISITING SOFER

The Sofer will be at Judaica Gallery, 300 Raritan Avenue, this Sunday June 29th. Those who need to check their mezuzot and tefillin should come down. If you know you are coming, please call to let us know, at 732-828-7722 but dropins are welcome.

HYDROCHIC TRUNK SALE/LAMDENI BENEFIT

Wednesday, July 2nd, 8:00 pm, at the home of Hayley Gerszberg, 108 North 8th Avenue, Highland Park. Join us for an exciting look at Hydrochic's amazing and innovative swimwear line. Their bathing suits, all made in Israel, have superior skin protection and a range of modest looks. To see the styles on line: www.hydrochic.com A portion of all proceeds will go to support Lamdeni, the premier provider of educational services for new olim in Israel. www.lamdeni.co.il For more information or to RSVP: e-mail lamdeni.israel@gmail.com, or call Rachel Moore at 609 448 9478.

CHUG IVRIT CLUB

The next Chug Ivrit (Hebrew Speaking Club) for intermediate to advanced Hebrew speakers will meet on Sunday, July 27, at 10:00 a.m., at the home of Eli Leiter & Rosey Bell, 134 Highland Ave., Edison. Back by popular demand, Yitzhak and Nadav Salomon will, again, be guest speakers this month. If you didn't join us last month, you missed a fantastic Chug! Now is your second chance to hear a presentation by this dynamic father and son duo! Chug Ivrit is sponsored by the Raritan Valley Chapter of Hadassah. It is free and open to both men and women. Hadassah membership is not required in order to attend. For more info., contact Rachel Weintraub at

rachel@weintraubworld.net or 732-819-9298.

REBBITZEN EICHENSTEIN'S WOMEN'S NAVI CLASSES

Rebbitzen Eichenstein will be having her Navi class for women on Megillas Eichah, Sunday morning, June 29 at 10AM at Cong. Agudath Israel. Parsha class will resume in the fall. For more info, 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 resume in the fall. For more info, please call Azriella 732-985-7613 or Chana Weinstein 732-572-0471.

WOMENS ISRAELI DANCING CLASSES

Helene Lockspeiser will be leading Israeli Dance Class for women on Tuesdays July 1, 8, and 15 from 2:30 PM to 4PM at Cong Ohav Emeth. The cost is \$7 per class. Please call Helene (732-985-9017) or Aviva (732-572-4408) for more information.

PARK MIKVAH

Hours are Sun-Thurs 9-11pm. Friday night by appointment only. SATURDAY NIGHTS through JULY 19th, the mikvah will be open from 10pm until 11:30pm. 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 Chukat

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

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