



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi

Allen Kessel - President

Parshas Noach

3 Cheshvani 5769

November 1, 2008

Candlelighting: 5:37PM
Mincha: 5:45PM
Shacharis: 7:45 and 9:00 AM
Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA): 10:04AM
Early Mincha: 1:45 PM
Rabbi Luban's Shiur in Megillah at 4:40PM
Mincha: 5:30 PM
Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Jeffrey Ney
Maariv: 6:40 PM

**REMEMBER TO SET CLOCKS BACK 1 HOUR
SAT. NIGHT FOR EST.**

Weekday Shacharis:

Sun 7:15, 8 & 9AM
Mon. & Thurs. 6:20, 7:05 & 8 AM
Tues., Wed. & Fri. 6:30, 7:10 & 8 AM

Weekday Mincha/ Maariv: 4:35 PM

Weekday Maariv 7:30 PM and 10:10 PM

Monday evening, 9:10 in Bais Medrash, Rabbi Luban's shiur in She'eilos Uteshuvos (responsa)
Tuesday Tehillim 9:50 PM

WINTER SCHEDULE FOR DAF YOMI

Monday-Thursday after 7:30pm maariv
Friday-after maariv
Shabbos-8:15am,
Sunday-after 8am shacharis.

MAZEL TOV

...to Mimi and Charles Gershbaum on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Penina. Mazel Tov to sisters Shana, Tova and Gila, to grandparents, Eva & Morris Weisz and Hilda Gershbaum, to great aunt and uncle, Lori & Leslie Ney and to the entire Gershbaum, Weisz and Ney families.

...Breindy and Neal Pomper on the birth of a son to their children Sarah and Benjy Pomper.

...to Penny and Michael Kaplan on the birth of daughter to their children Marni and Arkady Broder. Mazel Tov to the great grandparents Fay and Joe Kahan, uncles Jordan and Benjamin Kaplan, aunt and uncle Sari and Michie Klerer, cousins Miriam, Hannah and Avi and the entire Kaplan and Broder families.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush this Shabbos is being cosponsored by the Hanfling Family to commemorate the Yahrzeit of David's father, Abraham ben Naftali A"H and the Arnov Family to commemorate the Yahrzeit of Barry's father, Zalman Meyer ben Dov Ber A"H.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos this week is sponsored by Lori & Leslie Ney and Eva and Morris Weisz in memory of the Yahrzeit of Eva's and Leslie's Father Tibor Ney, Z"L, and in memory of the Yahrzeit of Lori's father Ben Zion Katz, Z"L.

ANNUAL OHR TORAH DINNER

This year's Shul Dinner will take place on Sunday December 14, 2008. Mazel Tov to Fay and David Moskovic, the Guests of Honor, and Shelley Schoenfeld and Matthew Holland, this year's Service Awardees. Details and Invitations will follow.

YOUTH EVENTS

Ohr Torah is heading to United Skates of America for a fun night of roller skating on Saturday night November 15th at 8 PM. We will return to the Shul at 11:15 PM. This event is for children in Grades 3-8 and includes round trip bus transportation to/from the facility plus admission, skate rental, 2 hours of skating time and snacks on the bus. The cost is \$20 per participant. Please contact Mayer Berg at mgberg@optonline.net to register.

SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE & FILM

Dr. David Shatz, Professor of Philosophy at Yeshiva University, will serve as scholar in residence at Ohr Torah on the Shabbat of November 7-8, 2008. Editor of *the Torah u-Madda Journal*, and series editor of *MeOtzar*

HoRav: Selected Essays of Rabbi Yoseph B. Soloveitchik, Dr. Shatz has written and taught extensively on the thought of Rav Soloveitchik zt"l. At a Friday evening Oneg Shabbat, Dr. Shatz will lecture on *The Jew in the Modern World: Reflections of Rav Soloveitchik zt"l*. Following early mincha Shabbat afternoon, Dr. Shatz will speak on *Rabbi Soloveitchik's Approach to the Problem of Evil*. **Note that mincha will be scheduled early next week (4PM) to accommodate Dr. Shatz's talk after Shalosh Seudos.** Dr. Shatz's lectures at Ohr Torah will be followed by the showing of *The Lonely Man of Faith*, a documentary on the life and teaching of the Rav, sponsored by the Orthodox Forum, to be shown at Ohr Torah, Motzai Shabbos, Nov. 8 at 8 PM.

VISITING REPRESENTATIVE FROM KARNEI SHOMRON FOUNDATION

We welcome to Ohr Torah on Shabbat Parashat Noach (Nov 1) Sondra Baras, Barbara Kessel's sister in law who is visiting the U.S. on a fundraising tour on behalf of the Karnei Shomron Foundation. Karnei Shomron, where Sondra and her family have lived for more than two decades, is a model interdenominational community of 7500 Religious Zionist and secular families. The town, whose new construction has been frozen by the government, has taken a large loan to purchase trailers for young couples who wish to live there. They need assistance in repaying the loan. Please introduce yourself to Sondra and learn more about this wonderful, growing community. You can make tax deductible checks out to Friends of Israeli Communities, and give them to the Rabbi or the President.

COMMUNITY SHABBAT DINNER

Cong. Ohr Torah invites you to our 4th Community Shabbat Dinner on Friday, Nov 14 (following ma'ariv). The evening includes dinner, drinks, zmiros, and programming for children, and has been created to share shabbos with our Shul family, make new friends, and join together in achdus. Reservation deadline: Nov 7. Please check your mail for your invitation and response form. Please contact Shelley Schoenfeld with all questions at 732-572-5808, or via email at shelley.schoenfeld@cmpmedica.com.

REOPENING OF TORAH TAPE LIBRARY

The Torah Tape Library reopened after Yom Tov on Wednesday October 29th. New weekday hours are Monday-Thursday 5:30PM-7:30 PM. Sunday hours will still be 10:00AM-12:00PM. Moshe Schneider for Larry Greenspan.

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 November 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th. 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 Natby 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 ludcej@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.

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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

ATTENTION NEWLY REGISTERED VOTERS

Middlesex County Board of Elections state that over 5,000 new voters have registered during the past few weeks and they have not had the time to send out acknowledgement cards to the newly registered voters. If anyone would like to confirm that they are registered please call the Middlesex County Board of Elections at 732-745-3471.

MTJ ANNUAL MELAVE MALKA

The annual Mesivta Tifereth Jerusalem will be held motzei Shabbat, Nov. 15th at 8PM, at Ohav Emeth. Guest of Honor is Rafie Miller, who will receive the distinguished Alumnus Award. HaGaon Ha' Rav Reuven Feinstein, shlitla will be the guest speaker. Please call Shimon Jakubovic for info and reservations at 732 246-1037.

BIKUR CHOLIM

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BRUNCH

Bikur Cholim of Raritan Valley will be having its annual Eli and Frieda Stern Memorial Volunteer Appreciation Brunch on Sunday, Nov 16 from 9:30-11AM at Cong. Ohav Emeth. Everyone in the community is invited to join us in honoring Marcia Freedman. Admission is free. Reservations are not required. For more info, please call Diana Hakakian (732-393-0506) or Irene Siegelman (732-819-9371).

ACTT

Come hear *Rabbi Gedaliah Jaffe, Moreh D'Asra, Congregation Ahavas Yisrael of Edison*, speak about "*Judging Others Favorably: A mirror for the soul*" on Saturday night, November 22, 2008 at 9:00 PM at Congregation Ohav Emeth. This community-wide event is sponsored by the ACTT (Achieving Change Through Torah) organization. Admission is free. 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.

RPRY MISHMAR PROGRAM

RPRY Mishmar program starts this Saturday night. Mishmar learning program is held at RPRY every Motzei Shabbat @ 8:00. Please bring your own seforim. Cost is still only \$2.00 which includes, pizza, donuts, prizes and raffles.

HACHNASAT KALLAH

As many of you may already know, Menachem Mordechai Ben Ophira (Mordechai Gottlieb) is currently seriously ill. It is important to do whatever we can to provide him with merit for a refuah shelaimah. Although there are no guarantees of which particular mitzvah is the one that may provide the merit, hachnasat kallah is a very powerful mitzvah and can be a special merit for a choleh. Simchat Zion was formed to cover the cost of weddings for needy orphans in Eretz Yisroel. The cost of sponsoring an entire wedding is \$3600. The goal is to raise money to sponsor Batya's wedding on November 24, 2008. To partake in this great mitzvah, please send a donation as soon as possible. For more information, please see www.Simchattzion.com. Tax deductible checks payable to Simchat Zion should be sent to Aviva Siegel, 16 Edgemount Road, Edison, NJ 08817.

siegelmom@optonline.net 732-572-4408

PARK MIKVAH

The Edison/Highland Park Mikvah is open from 9pm-11pm, including this Saturday night, November 1st. STARTING SUNDAY NIGHT, Nov 2, the mikvah will be open from 8:30pm to 10:30pm. FRIDAY NIGHTS are by APPOINTMENT ONLY. Call 732-249-2411. Fee \$15. OUT OF HOURS- ADDITIONAL \$20 fee.

HOLIDAY BOUTIQUES

Ahavas Achim Sisterhood on Tuesday, Dec 9, from 7-10pm, the Ahavas Achim sisterhood will be holding its annual Chanukah Boutique. Tables for vendors interested in selling jewelry, hats, clothes, gifts, etc. are available for \$25 per 6' table. Anyone interested in being a vendor, contact Fran Ackerman at Franacky@aol.com or 732-828-9413. Hadassah Young Women LaDor V'Dor of Raritan Valley Holiday Boutique on Sunday, Nov 2, 2pm-5pm at Ahavas Achim, Highland Park, NJ. A few vendor spots left! Vendor tables \$36 each and with advance reservation on a first come first serve basis. For more info/to reserve table please contact Marnie at YWHadassahEvents@yahoo.com or 732-816-4712. or 732-816-4712.

KUSHNER YESHIVA LOCAL PARLOR

MEETING

Kushner Yeshiva High School will be holding a local parlor meeting on Wednesday November 12th at 8 pm at the home of Lorraine and Abe Schwartzbard at 9 Fairhill Road, Edison. This will be an opportunity to hear from the school principal, other administrators and local students who attend the school. If there are any questions call Abe Schwartzbard at 732-673-5622.

MA'AYANOT YESHIVA FOR HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS

Ma'ayanot Yeshiva High School for Girls invites you and your daughter to our Open House on Sunday, Nov 16th at 1:30 PM. Meet our faculty and find out more about our superior academic, co-curricular and extra curricular program. We are located at 1650 Palisade Ave., Teaneck, NJ. For more info, please call Mrs. Evelyn Gross, Associate Principal and Dir of Adm., 201-833-4307 ext 217.

MACH HACH BA'ARETZ

More than just another summer tour, Mach Hach Ba'aretz is a unique Religious Zionist Educational Program, designed for 10th graders to experience Israel first hand and develop a deeper appreciation of and connection to Eretz Yisrael. NEW OPTIONS!!!! *Wilderness Yam L'Yam (Coast to Coast). *The ultimate Challenge. *The NEW Hesder option. Come join Steve Frankel, director of Mach Hach Ba'aretz, at an information night for prospective participants and their parents Monday, Nov. 3, 8PM at the Cohen home, 350 North 5th Ave. Highland Park, NJ. Please RSVP machhach@bnejakiva.org or 212-465-9536.

AHAVAS ACHIM UNIVERSITY

Ahavas Achim University and the Torah Conferencing Network present Rabbi Yissocher Frand, every Thursday at 9pm, live via satellite from Baltimore. Join the most popular shiur in the country, broadcast to the AA Beis Medrash every week, for halachic insights into the parsha and a meaningful dvar Torah at the end. After the Yomim Tovim, Rabbi Yisroel Reisman's Saturday Night Navi shiur resumes. Admission: \$5.

MRS. MIRI COHENS

WOMEN'S PARSHA CLASSES

Mrs. Miri Cohen's ladies Parsha class will meet Wednesday morning, Nov 5th at 9:15 AM at the home of Lynn Hanfling, 47 Leslie St., Edison. For more info, please call Azriella Jaffe 732-985-7613.

REBBITZEN EICHENSTEIN'S CLASSES

Rebbitzten Eichenstein will be having her Navi class on Sefer Tehillim, Sunday morning, Nov 2 at 10AM at Cong. Agudath Israel and Parsha class, Monday evening, Nov 3 at 8PM at Cong. Ohr Torah. 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

Rebbitzten Eichenstein will be having a class on Sefer Tomer Devorah on Monday evening, Nov 3 at 9PM at Cong. Ohr Torah. Classes are for post-seminary girls only. For more info, please contact Atara Degani 732-306-5727 or 732-937-6823.

YIEB WOMENS DANCE GROUP

The Young Israel of East Brunswick has an ongoing dance group. It runs from 8:30 to 10PM in our social hall and features both simcha and Israeli dances under the adept instruction of Rachel Eisenberg. We are pleased to be offering 2 add'l sessions as of Wednesday, November 5th: - class for girls, ages 8-12, to run from 7:15 to 7:55 PM.

- class for beginners/refresher class for those who have not danced recently, to run from 8 to 8:40PM. We are requesting payment in advance of \$56 to cover the first 8 children's sessions (through the end of Dec). Cost for either of the adult classes is \$10 per session. We hope you can join us at one of these classes to see what the excitement's about! For further info, please contact Barbara Elem at 732-238-9088 or Barbel314@aol.com.

KEYLIM MIKVAH HOURS OF OPERATION

The OT Keylim Mikvah will be open Sunday Mornings from 9AM to 12 Noon. Please make sure to leave the area clean and neat.

-If you inadvertently left a set of dishes in Arnie Lustiger's car after being toveled, including a Lenox plate, please call him at 732-718-0811.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Rabbi Jacob Joseph School Seeks experienced Full Time secretary. Computer knowledge essential. Call 732-985-6533 or fax 732-985-6553

EMPLOYMENT NETWORK RARITAN VALLEY

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

LOCAL ERUV

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

Parshas Lech Lecha

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| • Candlelighting | 4:29 PM |
| • Mincha/ Kabbolas Shabbos | 4:35 PM |

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) **PLEASE NOTE:** Please make sure that you leave a contact/callback name and phone # in case there is a question regarding the item you wish to be printed, otherwise it may not be included.



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