



# Congregation Ohr Torah

## Weekly Announcements

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**Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi**

**Allen Kessel - President**

Parshas Re'eh

29 Av 5768

August 30, 2008

<b>Candlelighting:</b>	<b>7:15PM</b>
<b>Mincha &amp; Kabbolas Shabbos:</b>	<b>7:25PM</b>
<b>Shacharis:</b>	<b>7:45 &amp; 9:00 AM</b>
<i>Rabbi Hoffman's Pesachim Shiur – after Hashkama</i>	
<b>Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA):</b>	<b>9:40AM</b>
<b>Early Mincha:</b>	<b>1:45 PM</b>
<b>Kollel Mincha</b>	<b>6:00PM</b>
<i>Rabbi Luban's Gemara Megillah shiur: 6:15 PM</i>	
NOTE: RABBI LUBAN'S SHIUR WILL NOW BE SCHEDULED <u>50</u> MINUTES BEFORE MINCHA	
<b>Mincha</b>	<b>7:05 PM</b>
Shalosh Seudos Speaker – Akiva Lustiger	
<b>Maariv</b>	<b>8:15 PM</b>
<b><u>Weekday Shacharis:</u></b>	
<b>Sun. &amp; Mon.</b>	<b>7:05, 8 &amp; 9 AM</b>
Sunday and Monday are Rosh Chodesh, Monday is Labor Day	
<b>Thur.</b>	<b>6:20, 7:05 &amp; 8 AM</b>
<b>Tue, Wed &amp; Fri</b>	<b>6:30, 7:10, &amp; 8 AM</b>
<b>Weekday Mincha/ Maariv:</b>	<b>7:10 PM</b>
<b>Weekday Maariv:</b>	<b>10:10 PM</b>
<i>Tuesday Tehillim 9:50</i>	
<b>DAF YOMI SCHEDULE</b>	
<b>Monday-Fri: after Maariv</b>	
<b>Shabbos: 1 hour before Mincha</b>	
<b>Sunday: After 8 AM Shacharis</b>	

### 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 September 6<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> and October 4<sup>th</sup>. To sponsor a Kiddush or reserve the Kiddush room, please contact Mel Barenholtz in person, by phone or email: [mbarenh@yahoo.com](mailto:mbarenh@yahoo.com).

To sponsor a Shalosh Seudos, please contact Moshe Wiesel.

### OHR TORAH NEWSLETTER

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### BUILDING DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIES

Contact Moshe Schneider at 732-618-4702 or at [mschneider19@yahoo.com](mailto: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](mailto:siegeldad@optonline.net) or 732-572-4408.

### HOUSEKEEPING

For housekeeping issues and inquiries contact Lou Smith at [ludeju@gmail.com](mailto:ludeju@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 Barbara and Jerry Belsh on Sammy's engagement to Tova London. Mazel Tov as well to Georgie and Saul London.

...to Ricki and Moshe Nat on the Shabbos Sheva Brochos for their children Keren and Brian Weinberger. Mazel Tov to the entire Nat, Weinberger and Kadry families.

...to Martha and Moische Greenblatt on the forthcoming marriage of their son Jonathan to Sarit Itenberg.

### KIDDUSH

Kiddush this Shabbos is sponsored by Eugene Wasserman and Shelley Secemski in memory of the 2nd yahrzeit of their father, Shimon ben Yechiel Michel, Z"l.

### BOARD MEETING

There will be a Board Meeting Tuesday, September 2, 2008 @ 8:30PM.

### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

There will be a General Membership Meeting Tuesday September 23rd @ 8:00 PM. Agendas will be mailed shortly

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

### COME BROWSE THE TORAH TAPE LIBRARY

Come browse the more than 2000 CD and tape titles in the Bigger and Better newly reopened Raritan Valley Torah Tape Library. It is located on the lower level of Ohr Torah. The library is open 10 AM-12 PM on Sundays and 6 PM Monday through Thursday. You can browse the titles at [HTTP://RVTTL.COMPUGENE.COM](http://RVTTL.COMPUGENE.COM). Then decide which titles you want and come on in to borrow them. Don't forget that you need a bar coded library card; see instructions on the web site. In addition, titles by topic, i.e. Elul, the yamim noraim, etc. are posted on the cabinets in the library for your convenience. Phone #'s to contact the library are 732-501-5455 or 732-828-5642, and ask for Larry Greenspan.

### SEFORIM DEDICATIONS AVAILABLE

Ohr Torah has bought for shul use 20 Rosh Hashanah & 20 Yom Kippur Machzor Masores Harav Joseph B. Soloveitchik edited by Arnie Lustiger. If you would like to donate any (\$25 per), please inform Barry Siegel

([siegeldad@optonline.net](mailto:siegeldad@optonline.net)). So far 16 of 40 are dedicated.

### High Holiday Seating Reservation Deadline

It is time to reserve your seats for the Yomim Nora'im. We want to accommodate the needs of each member family. In light of the growing Shul membership, seat arrangements are a challenge. Your seats are reserved only if you return the reservation form by September 1st. After that date, last year's unreserved seats are released and assigned on a first-come basis. As was the case last year, late applicants will be able to secure seats in the Hashkama Minyan, as available. Reservation Form and Instruction Letter can be downloaded from the OT Website at OhrTorah.net

### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### TEHILLIM GATHERING

Please join us for a community-wide Tehillim in Congregation Ohr Torah, Thursday, September 4, after Maariv (Maariv is approximately at 7:30PM, Tehillim approximately at 7:40PM) for Fruma Sara bas Devorah Rachel (Suri Granek) who is undergoing major surgery the next day. We will also include all the cholim in our community in our tefillos.

#### SENIOR NCSY FUNDRAISER

Senior NCSY will be running their annual Succah Building fundraiser this year, on October 5th and 12th. The cost is \$55 dollars for 2 hours.

#### HACHNOSAS SEFER TORAH

Mr and Mrs. Herz Hanfling invite the entire community to participate in a Hachnosas Sefer Torah to the Agudath Israel of Edison/Highland Park Monday, Labor day Sept 1, 2008 - Rosh Chodesh Elul. Completion of the Sefer Torah at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Marc Hanfling- 47 Leslie St. Edison--10:30 am. Procession to the Agudah at 11:45 am. followed by welcoming of the Torah, Tehillim, Divrei Bracha and refreshments.

#### STATE OF ISRAEL BONDS DINNER

Honey and Dr. Max Wisotsky are being honored at a State of Israel Bonds. Dinner on Wednesday September 17, 2008 at 6:30PM. Please contact NJ State of Israel Bonds Office at 732+-390-2173 for more information and to make a reservation to attend the Dinner.

#### MELAVE MALKA

On Motzaei Shabbos Parshas Shoftim, September 6th, there will be a welcome Melave Malka for the incoming Steinsaltz/Mekor Chaim Ambassadors, Naftali Goldstein and Refael Kauders. Rabbi Adin Steinsaltz - world-renowned scholar and teacher - established The Steinsaltz-Mekor Chaim Ambassadors program to build closer personal

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connections between our community and Israel. These Ambassadors teach in the classroom and out, lead songs and prayers, study one-on-one with students at all levels, and help organize a variety of programs in our schools, at Hillel and in local synagogues. For the 4th Straight year, the educational institutions of the this community including RPRY, Netivot Montessori, Rutgers Hillel and Kushner High School are blessed to welcome two of Rabbi Steinsaltz's outstanding Hesder yeshiva students. The Melave Malka will take place at the Getraer residence, 801 South Second Avenue at 9PM, all are welcome. For more info regarding the Melave Malka in particular or the Ambassador program in general please contact Rabbi Shmuel Greene at 732-485-7122 or [rabbishmulie@steinsaltz.org](mailto:rabbishmulie@steinsaltz.org)

#### **ACTT**

The ACTT organization (Achieving Change through Torah) is sponsoring a community-wide inspirational evening, Sunday Night, September 7, 2008 at 8:00 PM at Congregation Etz Ahaim for the Kavanah During Davening module 3 kickoff event. Rabbi Ron Yitzchok Eisenman, Moreh D'Asra, Congregation Ahavas Israel, Passaic, NJ, Noted Educator & Orator, will speak about "Be Careful What You Ask For - It May Come True!" 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 Jonathan Abrahams (732) 220-2946, Wendy Bar (732) 220-8765, Joe Friedman (732) 732-985-8014, Alice Gordon (732) 985-6848, Michael Lafond (732) 432-9860, Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762, or Aviva Siegel (732) 572-4408. Web-site: [www.actt613.org](http://www.actt613.org), e-mail: [info@actt613.org](mailto:info@actt613.org)

#### **EMUNAH EVENTS**

Annual Garage Sale - Sunday September 28, 2008. Accepting donations as of September 21, 2008

For more information and to have your large furniture previewed call Sue Redlich at 732-846-8990 or 732-558-4917. VOLUNTEERS needed -for short time increments.

Cakes and Kugel Bakers Wanted. Emunah is looking for volunteer bakers. For Sunday October 12-call Sue Redlich at 732-846-8990 or 732-558-4917.

Organization help is both welcomed and needed.

#### **BLOOD DRIVE**

End your summer with one more Mitzvah that you can do before the YamimNoraim. Please mark your calendars - our next blood drive will be taking place on Sunday, September 7, from 9:30 - 3:00, at our home, 120 Highland Ave., HP. As usual, we'll supply freshly baked cookies and baby-sitting services for donors. Please call Ira, Heid or Batsheva at 732-393-1018 to reserve a slot (preferred). Walk-ins are also fine.

#### **AHAVAS ACHIM UNIVERSITY: RETIREES'**

##### **KOLLEL**

Beginning on Tuesday, Sept 2, the second day of Elul 5768, we are proud to announce the formation of a Retirees' Kollel based at Ahavas Achim! All eligible men are invited to join the learning. Our first program will be called "Torah Tuesdays," meeting every Tuesday morning, and the schedule will be as follows:

7:45 a.m. Shacharit

8:15 a.m. Breakfast

8:30 a.m. First Shiur

"Parsha Gems" with Rabbi Moshe Goldberger

Prepare the parsha of the week under the guidance of a master teacher. Rabbi Goldberger is a student of Rav Moshe Feinstein zt"l and Rav Avigdor Miller zt"l, the author of numerous books and articles, and maggid shiur in New Jersey and Staten Island.

9:30 a.m. Second Shiur

"An Eye for an Eye" with Rabbi Avigdor Weitzner. This exploration of Oral Torah will focus on the laws of damages and monetary concepts based on Parshat Mishpatim and other sources.

Rabbi Weitzner, a long-time resident of Highland Park, is the former director of the Rutgers Hillel and a regular maggid shiur in the community.

#### **PARK MIKVAH**

Hours are Sun-Thurs 9-11pm. Friday night by appointment only. YOU MUST ARRIVE AND LEAVE DURING REGULAR MIKVAH HOURS. Fee \$15. Out of hours: an additional \$20 fee. Call 732-249-2411.

#### **KEYLIM MIKVAH HOURS OF OPERATION**

The OT Keylim Mikvah will be open Sunday Mornings from 9:00 AM to 12:00 Noon. Please make sure to leave the area clean and neat.

#### **CHUG IVRIT**

For location and more info, contact: Rachel Weintraub at [rachel@weintraubworld.net](mailto:rachel@weintraubworld.net) or 732-819-9298.

#### **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](http://www.ENRV.org), or contact Bob Lansey at [ENRV@verizon.net](mailto:ENRV@verizon.net) or 732-819-8651.

#### **LOCAL ERUV**

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

#### **Parshas Shofetim**

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| • Candlelighting           | 7:04 PM |
| • Mincha/ Kabbalas Shabbos | 7:10 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](mailto:webmaster@ohrtorah.net) Announcements should be sent to [announcements@ohrtorah.net](mailto: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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