



# Congregation Ohr Torah

## Weekly Announcements

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**Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi**

**Allen Kessel - President**

Parshas Tzav

15 Adar II 5768

March 22, 2008

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**Mincha & Kabbolas Shabbos:** 7:00 PM  
**Shacharis:** 7:45 & 9:00 AM  
*Rabbi Hoffman's Gemara Avoda Zara Shiur – after Hashkama*  
**Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA):** 10:00AM  
**Early Mincha:** 1:45 PM  
*Rabbi Luban's Gemara Yoma Shiur: 6:00 PM*  
**Mincha:** 6:45 PM  
*Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Danny Ravitz (siyum)*  
**Maariv:** 7:55 PM  
**Weekday Shacharis:**  
**Sun** 7:15, 8 & 9 AM  
**Mon., Thurs.** 6:20, 7:05, 8 AM  
**Tue., Wed, Fri.** 6:30, 7:10, 8 AM  
**Weekday Mincha/ Maariv:** 7:00 PM  
**Weekday Maariv:** 10:10 PM  
*Tuesday Tehillim 9:50 PM*  
*Rabbi Luban's Halachic Responsa Shiur: 9:10 PM Monday.*

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME DAF YOMI SCHEDULE**  
**Monday – Thur: After Maariv, Fri: After 1<sup>ST</sup>**  
**Minyan, Shabbos: 1 hour before Mincha**  
**Sunday: After 8 AM Shacharis**  
 The Daf Yomi will be starting a new mesechta, Mesechtas Nazir, this shabbos, March 22<sup>nd</sup>. It is a relatively short mesechta and anyone wishing to start a mesechta and complete it is urged to attend.

### 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 March 22, April 5<sup>th</sup> & 12<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

To subscribe to these Announcements, please email [info@ohrtorah.net](mailto:info@ohrtorah.net) and request to be added to the distribution.

### BUILDING DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIES

Contact Moshe Schneider at 732-618-4702 or [mcschneider19@yahoo.com](mailto:mcschneider19@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 [louis.w.smith@verizon.com](mailto:louis.w.smith@verizon.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 Susie and Moshe Wiesel on the birth of a son to their children, Avi and Frumie. Mazel Tov to Great grandparents, Rachel and Imre Lefkovits, to all the siblings and the entire Wiesel, Lefkovits and Bernstein families.

...to Rhoda and Joel Paul on the birth of a daughter to children Shulamit and Yair Telegauker in Kiryat Malachi, Israel.

...to Sima Milgraum on the engagement of Ilana to Jeff Glickman from Toronto. Mazel Tov to Mr. Chesner, Ilana's grandfather.

### SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos this week is sponsored by The Ravitz Shabbos Shiur Chevra.

### RABBI LUBAN'S PRE-PESACH SHIUR

This annual shiur for women will take place Wednesday April 2, 8PM in the Beis Medrash.

### OHR TORAH YOUTH EVENTS

On Sunday evening April 6<sup>th</sup> Ohr Torah will take a NJ Transit train to New York City to the NY Knicks vs Orlando Magic basketball game (Grades 3 - 8). We will be meeting at the Edison Train Station starting at 5:20 PM...train departs at 5:38 PM! We will return back to the Edison Train Station at 10:45 PM. The cost is \$30 and ONLY 30 seats are available...first come first serve! Snacks will be provided. Advance reservations are required.

-The Ohr Torah Youth Program is having their annual fundraiser for Kids Opening Weekend at Shea featuring the NY Mets vs Milwaukee Brewers baseball game on Sunday April 13<sup>th</sup>. Game time is at 1:10 PM. All tickets are \$10 for Upper Reserved seats! You will need to provide your own transportation. Please contact Lyndon Goldsmith or Mayer Berg if you are interested in purchasing tickets. Please register by emailing Mayer Berg at [mgberg@optonline.net](mailto:mgberg@optonline.net) or by phone at (732) 572-3429.

### PLEASE NOTE

There will be a General Membership Meeting this Tuesday, March 25, 2008 at 8:30 PM. Agendas have been mailed.

### THANK YOU

#### FROM THE SISTERHOOD

The Ohr Torah Sisterhood wishes to thank all members who participated in this year's mishloach manot program. Special thanks goes to Ricki Nat, who created our beautiful mishloach manot, to the volunteers from our shul who made the deliveries, and to the students who helped set up the pick up of the baskets and load them into the cars of those who delivered.

#### LIBRARY CARDS FOR THE RARITAN VALLEY TAPE LIBRARY

The grand reopening of the vastly upgraded tape/cd library is around the corner! If you or your family intend to use the library, they will need a Bar Coded library card. Please call Larry Greenspan at 732-828-5642 or 732-501-5455 email him at:

[genew@compugene.com](mailto:genew@compugene.com) to have a laminated card produced for your family. Tapes/cd's can only be borrowed if you have a valid Raritan Valley Tape Library card.

### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Missing - Black Raincoat

If you took a black raincoat from the back-left corner of the coat room recently Motzaei Shabbos (black raincoat 38R missing a button and with a black plastic hat cover in the pocket) please return it before someone gets soaked from shabbos rains. Thanks!!

#### EMUNAH EVENT

BUBBLEMANIA - The Sensational Family Friendly Bubble Show, for all ages!!! Join us on Shushan Purim - Sunday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, for an EMUNAH event for the whole family. Time: 10-11:30am at OT, 48 Edgemount Road, Edison. Cost: \$12 per person, \$36 maximum per family. Come dressed in your Purim costume - most unique costume wins a prize!

#### ACTT ORGANIZATION

ACTT Program Material The Events page of the ACTT web site, [www.actt613.org](http://www.actt613.org), contains the audio of the 12 shiurim from the first 2 years of the ACTT program and the Modules page contains the corresponding module packets. The 3<sup>rd</sup> year of the ACTT program is scheduled to begin in the June-July 2008 time frame. More details to follow. Volunteers are needed for fundraising, mailings, chizuk, maintaining the web site, and, of course, people with new ideas about how to improve on what we already have. To volunteer or for more info, e-mail [info@actt613.org](mailto:info@actt613.org), see the ACTT website: [www.actt613.org](http://www.actt613.org), or call Jonathan Abrahams (732) 220-2946, Wendy Bar (732) 220-8765, Joe Friedman (732) 732-985-8014, Michael Lafond

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

(732) 432-9860, Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762, or Aviva Siegel (732) 572-4408.

### **RJJ DINNER**

Please Reserve **Sunday, April 6, 2008** Rabbi Jacob Joseph School Annual Dinner at the Holiday Inn Hotel and Conference Center, Edison. We will be paying tribute to Rav Yechiel Drillman and our honorees will be Mr. and Mrs. Arnie Lustiger.

### **JUDAICA GALLERY**

JUDAICA GALLERY has made a special deal with ArtScroll and has brought our community, Passover By Design by Susie Fishbein, at an unprecedented price of \$17.57!!! They will be available till Pesach or while supplies last.

### **FOOD COLLECTION**

Looking for a place to give your leftover shaloch manos? Are you trying to get rid of your chametz? We will gladly collect the food to distribute to needy families. Closed packages only; no homemade goods. Drop off location: Bodlander home, 134 North 10th Avenue. For more info, please call Nitzza Bodlander (732) 339-0908 or Rikki Samel (732) 249-5116.

### **PESACH FOOD DRIVE**

JFVS (Jewish Family & Vocational Services of Middlesex County) Pantry Needs Your Help- Each week JFVS provides needy families throughout the community with non-perishable food from the JFVS Emer4gency Food Pantry. With the holidays upon us, the pantry shelves are almost bare. A list of the needed items are in the magazine rack. Please bring your donations to JFVS, 200 Metroplex Drive, suite 200, Edison NJ. For more information, please don't hesitate to call JFVS at 732-777-1940.

### **NORPAC UPDATE**

NORPAC Mission to Washington- Strengthen the American-Israel relationship in Congress. Participate in the NORPAC Mission to Wash DC, Wed. May 21st. Buses leave for Washington at 6:15 am from Edison and Highland Park, NJ. Buses return between 9-10 PM. There will be briefings on each bus. Shacharit davening will be at 5:45 am in Ohr Torah and Ahavas Achim. There will be a minyan for Mincha and maariv on the way home. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner will be provided. Rates will be \$125 for students and \$175 for adults. Visa or MasterCard accepted. Participants must be 12 years of age or older to attend. Those under 18 MUST be accompanied by their parent or legal guardian. Full Refunds available, requests must be received in writing at [mailing@norpac.net](mailto:mailing@norpac.net) by May 5, 2008. Register online at [www.NORPAC.net](http://www.NORPAC.net) or by phone at 201-788-5133. For more info contact Barry Wolf, Harvey Atlas, Elie Borger, or Marc Hanfling ([docdad@aol.com](mailto:docdad@aol.com)).

### **HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR COOKBOOK**

Holocaust Survivor Cookbook - RECIPES your family will enjoy...STORIES they will never forget. EMUNAH is very excited to share with you that we have just purchased a bunch of these cookbooks.

The Holocaust Survivor Cookbook was recently published and includes stories and recipes from survivors. The authors have requested that when serving a recipe from the cookbook, one should tell the survivor's story. Proceeds from sales go to Carmei Ha'ir, a soup kitchen in Israel. The publishers are selling the books through fundraising organizations like EMUNAH at a reduced price. By purchasing a cookbook (or several!) for \$36 each, you are (1) honoring and memorializing survivor stories (2) benefiting Carmei Ha'ir and (3) benefiting EMUNAH. For more info on the contents and history visit [www.survivorcookbook.org](http://www.survivorcookbook.org). To purchase your copy, contact [sharon.hirt@pfizer.com](mailto:sharon.hirt@pfizer.com) or call Sharon at 917-445-7825.

### **Jerusalem United Rally and Concert**

National council of Young Israel, the Jerusalem Reclamation Project, and Israel solidarity Fund of America present "Jerusalem United- The City that Uplifts us all, an Uplifting Rally and Concert. Sunday March 23, 2008 Shushan Purim at 2:30 pm at the Armory West 168th Street and Fort Washington, NYC. Starring Yaakov Shwekey and Shalshales. Ticket prices: \$36 and \$100. For tickets and sponsorships please call 917.683.1512, [www.jerunited.com](http://www.jerunited.com), [jerunited@gmail.com](mailto:jerunited@gmail.com). All Proceeds to benefit victims of terror in Israel, displaced families of Gush Katif, and projects in Jerusalem's Old City.

### **AA UNIVERSITY PRESENTATION**

Ahavas Achim University presents Dr. Deena Zimmerman Shabbat, March 29, 2008 Shabbat Morning after Mussaf: Women's Role in the Halakhic Process: Evolutionary or Revolutionary? Shabbat Afternoon, 5:30 p.m. (For Women only): Five Myths Between You and the Mikvah At Seudah Shlishit, 7:15 p.m. : What is the Role of a Yoetzet Halacha? Deena R. Zimmerman, MD, MPH, IBCLC, Yoetzet Halacha, is a pediatrician with a life-long love of Torah learning, who lives in Israel. This AAU Shabbaton is made possible by a grant from the Miriam Glaubach Center of Nishmat.

### **JR. NCSY ACTIVITIES**

If you have not signed up for membership yet, you can sign up online at [www.njncsy.com](http://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 or check us out online.

### **MITZVAH OPPORTUNITY**

Once again, Rachel Koenigson is combining physical fitness with Tzedakah. She will be participating in the Jerusalem half marathon in late March. All monies collected will go to the brave citizens of Sderot. You can sponsor her at <http://runforsderot.connectionsrael.com>. Just click on her name, read her words and hit sponsor. Thank you, Rosanne Koenigson (732-577-1030).

### **RJJ HALACHA SERIES**

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

### **REBBITZEN EICHENSTEIN'S WOMEN'S NAVI CLASSES**

Rebbitz Eichenstein will not be having classes this week. Navi class will resume on Sunday morning, March 30 and Parsha class will resume on Monday evening, March 31. For more information, please contact Aviva Siegel at [siegelmom@optonline.net](mailto:siegelmom@optonline.net) or Ricki Stern 732-828-6939 [rickistern@yahoo.com](mailto:rickistern@yahoo.com)

### **MRS. MIRI COHEN'S LADIES PARSHA CLASS**

Mrs. Miri Cohen will not be having classes this week. Parsha classes will resume after Pesach. For more information, please contact Azriella Jaffe 732-985-7613 or Chana Weinstein 732-572-0471.

### **WOMEN & GIRLS DANCE CLASSES**

A new session of Israeli and Simcha dance classes is starting. Separate classes for women and girls. For more information, please call Rikki Samel at 732-249-5116.

### **WOMEN'S PRESENTATION**

The Highland Park Mikvah and Nishmat's Miriam Glaubach Center present Deena R. Zimmerman, M.D., Yoetzet Halacha. "Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Taharat Hamishpacha but Were Afraid to Ask". Motzai Shabbos, March 29, 2008, 9:15PM at Cong Ohav Emeth. For women only. Sugg donation \$10. For more info, call Aviva Siegel 732-572-4408.

### **PARK MIKVAH**

PARK MIKVAH HOURS- Sunday-Thursday evenings: 9pm-11pm. Friday nights. Yom Tov is by appointment only. Call 732-249-2411. Saturday nights in MARCH, the mikvah opens at 9pm. YOU MUST ARRIVE AND LEAVE DURING REGULAR MIKVAH HOURS. Fee \$15. Out of Hours: an additional \$20 fee. Please note the change in wording. Thanks. Shayna Prupis 732-572-3276

### **EMPLOYMENT NETWORK OF 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 Shemini**

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| • Candlelighting | 7:00PM |
| • Mincha         | 7:10PM |

### **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)

**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.

## Congregation Ohr Torah Building Items Dedications UPDATE

Building	\$500,000	
Sanctuary	\$250,000	Dedicated
Kiddush Room	\$200,000	
Main Upstairs Lobby	\$175,000	Dedicated
Kitchen	\$50,000	
Menorah Shaped Window - Sanctuary	\$36,000	Dedicated
Yomim Noraim Paroches - Sanctuary	\$30,000	
Bein Hagevarim – Sanctuary	\$25,000	
Da Lefnai...above Aron	\$25,000	Dedicated
Kotel Hamaravi – Flexible Wall Kiddush Room	\$25,000	
Acoustical Glass - Sanctuary	\$25,000	Unique Item
Aron – Bais Medrash	\$25,000	Dedicated
Aron – Hashkomoh Minyan	\$25,000	Dedicated
Classrooms	\$25,000	each – 1 dedicated - 4 available
Dedication Wall Main Lobby	\$25,000	
Window – Large - Sanctuary	\$25,000	all dedicated
Paroches – Beis Medrash	\$18,000	Dedicated
Lobby- Lower Level	\$18,000	Dedicated
Paroches – Hashkomoh Minyan	\$18,000	Dedicated
Bima – Hashkomoh Minyan	\$18,000	Dedicated
Mechitzah Kiddush Room	\$18,000	for all 8. Price varies by # dedicated
Shul Office	\$18,000	
President's Seat and Cover	\$18,000	
Kiddush Room Main Doors	\$18,000	1 set dedicated - 1 set available
Windows - Sanctuary	\$18,000	4 dedicated 8 available
Cloak Room	\$18,000	Dedicated
Bein Hagevarim Sanctuary Yomim Noraim	\$15,000	
Seat Dedication Wall Main Lobby	\$15,000	
Amud – Bais Medrash	\$12,000	Dedicated
Amud – Hashkomoh Minyan	\$12,000	Dedicated
Seats Main Sanctuary	\$10,000	each (limited number available)
Paroches Yomim Noraim – Hashkomoh	\$10,000	
Bima Yomim Noraim - Hashkomoh Minyan	\$10,000	Dedicated
Kisei Shel Elyahu – Next to Rabbi	\$10,000	Dedicated
VP Chair – next to President	\$10,000	
Clock – Main Sanctuary	\$10,000	Dedicated
Keylim Mikvah	\$10,000	
Sets of Windows Kiddush Room	\$10,000	3 sets available
Pillars in Kiddush Room	\$10,000	each - 2 Dedicated, 6 Available
Mezuzuahs – Lower Level	\$12,000-\$8000	Some dedicated Some available
Bein Hagevarim Hashkomoh Minyan	\$8,000	Dedicated
Bein Hagevarim Haskomoh Yomim Noraim	\$5,000	

*PLEASE HELP KEEP THE SHUL NEAT...PLEASE RETURN SIDDURIM & CHUMASHIM TO THE REAR OF THE SANCTUARY  
AFTER DAVENING.*