



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi

Allen Kessel - President

Parshas Vayera

24 Cheshvan 5769

November 15, 2008

Candlelighting: 4:22PM
Mincha: 4:30PM
Shacharis: 7:45 and 9:00 AM
Rabbi Hoffman's Pesachim Shiur - After Hashkama
Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA): 9:13AM
Early Mincha: 1:30 PM
Rabbi Luban's Shiur in Megillah at 3:25PM
Mincha: 4:15 PM
Shalosh Seudos speaker: Sammy Belsh
Maariv: 5:25 PM

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: 4:25 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-After Hashkama and also at 8:15am
 Sunday-after 8am shacharis.

BOARD MEETING

There will be a Meeting of the Board on Tuesday November 18th @ 8:00 PM

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.

MAZEL TOV

...to Barbara and Jerry Belsh on the upcoming wedding of their son Sammy to Tova London, daughter of Saul & Georgie London of Highland Park.

...to Lorraine and Abe Schwartzbard and family on the engagement of their son Jonathan to Kaley Wajcman of Overland Park, Kansas.

...to Bonnie and Gary Schechter on the marriage of their daughter Allison to Jonathan Mell of Teaneck. Mazel Tov to aunt and uncle Elise and Edward Schechter and the entire Schechter and Mel families.

...to Gail and William Bogner on the forthcoming marriage of their son Ezra to Bess Berger of Teaneck. Mazel Tov to Rochelle and Edward Berger and to the entire Bogner and Berger families.

...to Jeanne and Eric Lankin on the forthcoming marriage of their daughter Shira to Scott Sheps of Waterbury CT. Mazel Tov to Marcie and Ronald Sheps and the entire Lankin and Sheps families.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos this week is sponsored by Barbara and Jerry Belsh in honor of the marriage of their son Sammy to Tova London.

CONDOLENCES

Congregation Ohr Torah extends sincere condolences to Marcia Pfeffer on the loss of her mother, Sylvia Greenbaum, Z"L. May you be comforted among the mourners of Tzion and Yerushalayim.

SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

-Ira & Ellen Smith in honor of Israel Rivkin
 -Jerald & Rochelle Blum in memory of Sharon Lowinger's father Meir Cooperberg Z"L

-Jerald & Rochelle Blum in honor of the Bar Mitzva of Joshua Nethaniel Schilowitz
 -Jerald & Rochelle Blum in honor of the Bar Mitzva of Benjamin Zachary Goldberg

THANK YOU

My family and I wish to thank all our dear friends who have made donations in the name of my most precious wife Leah Levy, z"l. We wish a blessing on each of you for your kindness. Please know that I miss each of you, my dear friends and that my family and I am grateful for your support, care and concern.

Moishe Levy & Family

YOUTH EVENTS

Ohr Torah is heading to United Skates of America for a fun night of roller skating Saturday night Nov. 15th at 8PM. We will return to the Shul at 11:15PM. 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.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CHILDREN'S FUND

The Children's Fund, established in memory of Dina Eisner, A'H, will be hosting a film presentation for women and girls of A Light for Greytowers, at Cong Ohav Emeth, on Sunday, Nov 23rd, at 8pm. The widely acclaimed musical tells the powerful story of a young Jewish girl whose faith is challenged in an orphanage in 19th century England. Tickets purchased in advance are \$12 each, maximum \$50 per family. Tickets will be \$15 at the door. Sponsorships are available for \$100. All profits from the evening will be distributed to local children in need of supplementary financial assistance. For more info or to place ticket reservations, please contact Tova Josefovitz (732) 572-9432 tjosefovitz@gmail.com, Shoshana Diskind (732) 572-7755, Minah Kamin (732) 819-9738 or Janice Lustiger (732) 819-4919.

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, shlita 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).

ACT!

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, Nov 22, 2008 at 9:00 PM

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 15th, 22nd & 29th and December 6th, 13th, 20th & 27th. 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 ludeeju@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.

REMINDER: The emergency Defibrillator is in the Beis Medrash Chazzon's shulchan.

PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR MORE OHR TORAH INFORMATION

at Cong Ohav Emeth. This community-wide event is sponsored by the ACTT (Achieving Change Through Torah) org. 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

Mishmar learning program is held at RPRY every Motzei Shabbat @ 7:00. Please bring your own seforim. Cost is still only \$2.00 which includes, pizza, donuts, prizes and raffles

HACHNASAT KALLAH

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. I am specifically collecting money for hachnasat kallah as a merit for a refuah shelaimah for Menachem Mordechai ben Ophira. 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 an orphan's wedding on Nov 24, 2008. To partake in this great mitzvah, please send a donation as soon as possible. For more info, please see www.Simchattzion.com. Tax deductible checks payable to Simchat Zion should be sent to Aviva Siegel, 16 Edgemount Rd, Edison, NJ 08817. Thank you, Aviva Siegel siegelmom@optonline.net 732-572-4408.

BLOOD DRIVE

The Rosen family is pleased to announce that our next blood drive will be held on Sunday, Nov 30 from 9:30 AM to 3PM. The Bloodmobile will be at our home, 120 Highland Ave., HP. Hot cookies will be served, babysitting is available, and each donor should be receiving 2 Nets tickets. Please contact

Heidi, Ira or Natasha for further info, or to schedule a donation slot (walk-ins are welcome too).

AHAVAS ACHIM UNIVERSITY

AA 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.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Active Zionist Orthodox cong seeks same dynamic individual or couple for part time youth director position. Must be college grad with previous youth exp. Supervisory position requires strong organizational skills; Shabbat and holiday attendance in Highland Park. Competitive salary. Fax resume to (732)-247-6739 or email jmalevenst@verizon.net attention Debra L.

CHANUKAH BOUTIQUE

Ahavas Yisrael will be having a Chanukah Extravaganza on Saturday, Dec 6th, starting at 7:30 p.m. There will be vendors selling hand-crafted decorative accessories & Judaica, Lia Sophia jewelry, Discovery toys, Tupperware, etc. The event will be at Ahavas Yisrael 1587 Rt. 27, Edison. For more info, call Mara Margolin 732-777-1589.

MRS. MIRI COHENS

WOMEN'S PARSHA CLASSES

Mrs. Miri Cohen's ladies Parsha class will meet Wednesday morning, November 19 at 9:15 AM at the home of Rikki Samel, 427 Dennison St., Highland Park. For more information, please call Azriella Jaffe 732-985-7613.

REBBITZEN EICHENSTEIN'S CLASSES

Rebbitzin Eichenstein will not be having classes this week, November 16, 17. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at siegelmom@optonline.net or Ricki Stern 732-828-6939 rickistern@yahoo.com or Atara Degani 732-306-5727 or 732-937-6823.

MAZAL SHIDDUCH GROUP

The next Mazal shidduch group meeting will be held on Tuesday, Nov 25th at 8PM. Please email Sharon at ShCL18@aol.com to find out location and to request a form.

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.

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 Lansey at ENRV@verizon.net or 732-819-8651.

LOCAL ERUV

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

Parshas Chaye Sarah

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| • Candlelighting | 4:17 PM |
| • Mincha/ Kabolos Shabbos | 4:25PM |

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