



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parshas Bamidbar

29 Iyar 5769

May 23, 2009

Candlelighting:	7:56PM
Plag Mincha:	6:00 PM
Early Mincha:	7:00 PM
Mincha:	8:05PM
Shacharis:	7:45 and 9:00AM
<i>Rabbi Hoffman's Pesachim Shiur- After Hashkama</i>	
Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA):	9:14AM
Early Mincha:	1:45 PM
<i>Kollel Learning Seder 4-6 PM</i>	
Kollel Mincha	6:00 PM
<i>Rabbi Luban's Shiur in Megillah 7:00 PM</i>	
Mincha:	7:50 PM
<i>Shalosh Seudos speaker: Zev Saffer (Elon Moreh)</i>	
Maariv:	9:00 PM
Weekday Shacharis:	
Sun (Rosh Chodesh)	7:05, 8 & 9AM
Mon & Thur	6:20, 7:05, 8 AM
Tue, Wed	6:30, 7:10, 8 AM
Fri (Shavuot) – In next week's newsletter	
Weekday Mincha/ Maariv:	8:05 PM
Weekday Maariv	10:10 PM
<i>Monday evening, 9:10 in Bais Medrash, Rabbi Luban's shiur in She'eilos Uteshuvos (responsa)</i>	
Tuesday Tehillim 9:50 PM	
DAF YOMI	
Monday -Thursday- 7:30PM	
Friday - after kabolos shabbos. for the first minyan. Shabbos - one hour before mincha	
Sunday- after 8 am Shacharis.	

SHAVUOS
(Full schedule in next week's newsletter)
Thursday:
DON'T FORGET ERUV TAVSHILIN
Candlelighting 8:01 PM
Mincha/ Maariv 8:10 PM

SHALOSH SEUDOS
Shalosh Seudos this week is sponsored by Mel Barenholtz in honor of the Yahrzeit (on the second day of Shavuot) of his father, Yehuda Zev b"r Levi Yitzhak Hacohen, A"H.
KOLLEL LEARNING SEDER

The community is invited to study bechavrusah along with the Kollel between 4 and 6 PM, followed by Mincha at 6 PM.

SHIUR FOR WOMEN
On Sunday June 7 at 10am, Rabbanit Chana Henkin, founder of the renowned Nishmat Seminary for Women in Israel, will give a shiur for women at Ohr Torah.

PEREK ON THE LAWN
Ohr Torah's Perek on the Lawn series begins this Shabbos, May 23, at the home of Melissa and Leor Jerushalmy, 30 Perry Rd. The shiur will be led by Rabbi Motti Miller, 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. In the event of rain, the shiur will be cancelled.

OHR TORAH MISSING SEFORIM.
Please remember that the library is a reference library only. After using, always return the seforim to their respective shelves. In addition, no seforim are to be removed from the shul premises. NO EXCEPTIONS!

The Artscroll Talmud volumes especially should always be available. Currently, the following are missing:
-ArtScroll Large set Berachos 2- volume # 2;
-ArtScroll Small set Berachos 2 - volume # 2;
-Art Scroll Small set Succah 2, volume # 16
-The book *Tales Out Of Shul* by Rabbi Emanuel Feldman has been missing for several months!

We have previously replaced missing volumes - only to find the originals show up much later. Also, this week a clearly marked OT Sefer Chofetz Chaim: Lessons in Truth (how ironic!) was found in the RPRY Beis Medrash - please don't take Seforim out of the building.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS
EDISON PRIMARY ELECTION
June 2nd is primary day in Edison. All eligible voters are urged to go to the polls. If you will not be in

town on June 2, please vote by absentee ballot which are available in the shul lobby. For further information, see Israel Rivkin or Jonas Waizer.

ACTT COMMUNITY WIDE EVENT
Come hear Rabbi BenTzion Shafier of The Shmuz, www.theshmuz.com speak about "Bitachon and Emunah – Understanding the Difference" this Sunday night, May 25, 2009 at 8:00 PM at Congregation Ahavas Achim. (Mincha at 7:45 PM; Maariv following the program). This community-wide event is sponsored by the ACTT (Achieving Change Through Torah) organization. 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, 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 2ND ANNUAL RAFFLE FOR JEWISH EDUCATION
RPRY announces its second annual raffle for Jewish Education. Grand prize are 2 tickets to Israel plus 2nd & 3rd place prizes. Drawing is scheduled for 6/22. Tickets are \$36 apiece or 3 for \$100. Please see the flyer for more details. For tickets please see OT contacts Josh Caplan, Leor Jerushalmy, Russell Adler, Brian Dube or Barry Siegel.

YESHIVA TIFERETH NAFTOLI DINNER
Yeshiva Tifereth Naftoli of Central New Jersey invites the community to their 4th annual dinner to be held on June 14, 2009 at 5:30 pm. This year's worthy honorees include Mr. and Mrs. Alan Lustiger, Mr. and Mrs. Haim Baruh and Mr. and Mrs. Scott Levy. For further information, please contact Russell Adler.

EMPLOYMENT NETWORK OF RARITAN VALLEY
Free job networking session: Wednesday, June 10th at Cong. Ahavas Achim in Highland Park. It's an effective way to learn job search strategies, hear about job leads, and share ideas, resources and information. Be prepared to present a 20-30 second elevator pitch on your experience and bring about 20 copies of your resume. Informal networking begins at 7:30pm; the program begins at 8pm and ends at 10pm. Camille Macchio, a business and career coach, will discuss behavior-based and traditional interviewing. For more info, go to www.ENRV.org, or contact Bob Lansey at ENRV@verizon.net. Please help. If you know of any job openings, please e-mail the info to enrv@verizon.net. Jobs can be professional, part-time, or temporary.

BLOOD DRIVE
The Rosen family asks you to join us on Sunday, June 14 for our next blood drive. 120 Highland Ave., HP, from 9:30-3:00. Babysitting will be available, as will fresh-baked cookies (baked by the sun – weather permitting). Time-slot reservations are preferred, but walk-ins will be

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 the 2nd day Shavuot, June 13th, 20th, 27th and July 4th, 11th, 18th, & 20th. 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.

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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.

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

received with open arms (and veins). Call Heidi, Ira or Batsheva at 732-393-1018 for more info.

RABBI HOFFMAN'S SHIUR

Rabbi Yisroel Hoffman's Choshen Mishpat Hilchos Dayanim shiur takes place Wednesday nights at the Agudah at 8:30 pm. To download previous shiurim, please visit <http://csisol.com/shiurim.aspx>

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.

REBBETZIN EICHENSTEIN'S NAVI CLASS

Rebbitzin Eichenstein will not be having class on Sunday, May 24. Parsha class will meet on Monday evening, May 25 at 8PM at Cong. Ohr Torah. Classes are for women only. Class for post-seminary girls on Sefer Tomer Devorah will meet on Monday evening, May 25 at 9PM at Cong. Ohr Torah. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at 732-572-4408 siegelmom@optonline.net, Ricki Stern 732-828-6939 rickistern@yahoo.com.

MRS. MIRI COHEN'S PARSHA CLASS

Mrs. Miri Cohen's ladies Parsha class will meet Wednesday morning, May 27 at 9:15AM at the home of Rikki Samel, 427 Dennison St, Highland Park. For more info, please call Azriella Jaffe 732-985-7613.

REBBITZIN CHANA HENKIN TO SPEAK

On Sunday, June 7 at 10am Rebbitzin Chana Henkin, Founder and Dean of Nishmat will present a shiur for women at OT entitled "The Ethos of Jewish Unity: Why is Rachel Mourning." The entire community is invited.

ATTENTION ALL WOMEN AND GIRLS:

Women's 'Amen' group will continue to meet this Sunday at 9:45 AM upstairs in the office at Congregation Ohr Torah in Edison. All women and girls are invited to join. Please note the group prays in the 'Zechus' of Menachem Mordechai Ben Ophira, Fruma Sarah Bas Devorah Rachel, and the other Cholim on community lists and individual's requests.

Looking for women to say Shir Hashirim (in your own home) this Friday night after licht bentchen. Contact E.J. Berman at EJPartyworks@aol.com. If you would like to be included in a challah baking segullah for this coming Shabbos on Thursday night or Friday (hafrasha should be done Thursday night after dark or Friday) please contact E.J. at the above e mail address. It should be in the zechus of a refuah shleimah for Menachem Mordechai ben Ophira. Remember to please say a tefillah for Menachem Mordechai when you do the hafrasha AND when the dough is being kneaded. It could be your own personal tefillah or tehillim.

WOMEN'S SHAVUOS SHIUR

Please join the women of the Highland Park and Edison communities for an insightful Shavuos shiur...Ruth: The Moabite Mother of Jewish Royalty. Speaker: Mrs. Bat-sheva Kaplan, Girl's Principal, Moshe Aaron Yeshiva High School When: Wed May 20, 2009 Time: 8:30 PM Where: The Heideman's, 19 Ryan Road Edison Admission free-but we want to make sure you have a seat! Please email

shelley.schoenfeld@cmpmedica.com

with your name to register. We will be collecting names for a refuah shleimah list that will be read at the beginning of the shiur, and it will be for the complete refuah of those individuals that we learn this evening. If you have anyone you would like added to this list, please email their names along with your registration.

MEKOR CHAIM AMBASSADORS PROGRAM

The Mekor Chaim Ambassadors Program presents A Shabbat of Learning and Inspiration with Rabbi Adin Steinsaltz. Shabbat, June 13, 2009.

Schedule of Events Sermon before Mussaf, "This Is Your Wake Up Call: Economic Crisis and the Jewish Community". Congregation Ahavas Achim.

Study and Discussion, 4:30PM, Shalom Bayit: Was Moshe a Good Husband and Father?"

Congregation Eitz Ahaim, Mincha, Seuda Shlishit and Q&A Session, 7:30PM Congregation Ahavas Achim, An opportunity to ask your toughest questions of this luminary, and hear his candid and fascinating responses.

Please email your questions in advance to rabbishmulie@steinsaltz.org

JEWISH NATIONAL FUND

Join Jewish National Fund as we celebrate Israel's 61st Anniversary at the Salute to Israel Parade. Sunday, May 31, 2009, New York City. JNF House Pre-Parade Breakfast and Volunteer Thank You Reception with special performance by Rick Recht. 42 East 69th Street (between Park & Madison) 9:30 AM -- 11:00 AM. Bring your filled Blue Box & meet Blue Box Bob! JNF Float 56th Street & Fifth Avenue 11:30 AM. To march with JNF, ride on the float or make a donation, RSVP by Wednesday, May 27th to Nora Figueroa, 212.879.9305 ext. 505 or nfigueroa@jnf.org Meet! Eat! March! JNF Float featuring Rock Star Rick Recht.

JR NCSY INFO

-Want to stay updated with Jr. NCSY? Join our mailing list! Updates go out as often as we get them, so please email jrnscyhp@gmail.com with your child's name, grade and school. Any questions on any of the above announcements or anything having to do with Jr. NCSY, please

contact Chana Lustiger at 908-209-1820 or Tzvi Hametz at 732-991-2252 night

PARK MIKVAH

The Edison/Highland Park Mikvah is open Sun-Thur nights, 9-11pm. FRIDAY NIGHTS are by APPOINTMENT ONLY. Saturday night, May 9 the mikvah opens at 9:30pm. Saturday nights May 16th and 23rd, it opens at 9:45pm. Call 732-249-2411. Fee \$15. OUT OF HOURS an ADDITIONAL \$20.

CHUG IVRIT

The next meeting of Chug Ivrit (Hebrew Club) for intermediate to advanced Hebrew speakers will be on Sunday, June 7, at 11am at the home of Marian Pianko 137 Highland Ave., Edison. Chug Ivrit is sponsored by the Raritan Valley Chapter of Hadassah. It is free and open to both men and women. You do not need to be a member of Hadassah to attend. We chat in Hebrew and read a short Hebrew story. For more info, contact Rachel Weintraub at 732-819-9298 or rachel@weintraubworld.net

LOCAL ERUV

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

ELECTRONIC RECYCLING

ELECTRONIC RECYCLING - as part of her Bat Mitzvah celebration Ronit Langer asks the entire community to recycle their old electronic appliances on Monday morning May 25th outside of RPRY from 9:30 AM-12:30 PM. All plug in devices accepted. All computer hard drives will be erased. There is a \$10 fee (cash only) for TV's, all other appliances are free of charge. For more details visit www.erevival.net.

A portion of the proceeds will be donated to JNF's water resources management initiative in Israel. Additional donations for JNF gratefully welcomed.

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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.