



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parshas Noach

6 Cheshvani 5770

October 24, 2009

Candlelighting:	5:47PM
Mincha:	5:55 PM
Shacharis:	7:45 and 9:00AM
<i>Rabbi Hoffman's Pesachim Shiur - After Hashkama</i>	
Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA):	10:00AM
Early Mincha:	1:45 PM
<i>Rabbi Luban's Maseches Megillah Shiur 4:50PM</i>	
Mincha:	5:40PM
<i>Shalosh Seudos speaker: Rabbi Avishai David (Rosh Yeshiva Toras Shraga and Mora D'asra in Beit Shemesh)</i>	
Maariv:	6:50 PM
Weekday Shacharis:	
Sunday:	7:15, 8 & 9 AM
<i>Rabbi Billowitz shiur -after 8 AM Shacharis on Sunday</i>	
Mon.	6:20, 7:05, & 8 AM
<i>Note earliest Talis and Tefillin – 6:27</i>	
Tues, Wed., Fri.	6:30, 7:10, & 8 AM
Thurs.	6:23, 7:05 & 8 AM
<i>Note earliest Talis and Tefillin – 6:30</i>	
Weekday Mincha/ Maariv:	5:45 PM
Weekday Maariv	7:30 & 10:10 PM
<i>Rabbi Luban's Shiur She'eilos Uteshuvos: Monday 9:10PM</i>	
Tuesday Tehillim 9:50 PM	
DAF YOMI SCHEDULE	
Monday -Thursday after 7:30 Maariv. Friday after Maariv. Shabbos 1 hour before Mincha, 4:30pm. Sunday after 8am shacharis.	

HASHKAMA KIDDUSH

Kiddush is sponsored by Lyndon & Lois Goldsmith in memory of Lyndon's mother Rose Goldsmith Z"L, Barry & Aviva Siegel in memory of Barry's father Irving Mazer Z"L and Arnie & Janice Lustiger in memory of Janice's father, Leonard Baldinger Z"L.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week is being sponsored by David Hanfling and Family to commemorate the Yahrzeit of David's father Abraham Hanfling, Avrohom ben Naftoli, A"H.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Moshe and Susan Wiesel in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Moshe's father, Yehoshua ben Menachem Zev Wiesel, z"l.

MAZEL TOV

... to Leah and Harvey Paretzky on the engagement of their son Mordechai to Ruthie Goldstein of Chicago. Mazel Tov to Barbara and Bert Goldstein and to the entire Paretzky and Goldstein families, and to the grandparents, Mrs. Cicely Paretzky and Mr. and Mrs. Abe Goldstein.

...to Lori and Jonathan Caplan on the Aufruf of their son Jeremy this Shabbos, and his forthcoming marriage to Rena Tattlebaum of Skokie, IL. Mazel Tov to the entire Caplan and Tattlebaum families.

...to Debbie and Alex Diamant on the birth of a son to their children Leora and Zevi Spitz.

OHR TORAH ANNUAL DINNER

Please plan on joining us Sunday, December 20, 2009 when we will give thanks and Hakaras Hatov to two outstanding couples who have done and continue to do so much for our Shul: Service Awardees

- Mimi and Charles Gershbaum

Guests of Honor

- Fran and Rabbi Shmuli Leitman

OHR TORAH YOUTH PROGRAMS

On Sunday November 1st from 10AM to 12:00PM, Ohr Torah will be hosting a Childrens Shabbat Arts & Crafts Program. We will be designing and decorating Challah boards and covers, Shabbat light switch covers, Aishet Chayil cards and Hand Washing Towel Holders with towels! In addition, a pizza lunch will be provided. All this fun for only \$18 a child!

PLEASE NOTE NEW DATE BELOW:

On Motzei Shabbat November **14th** at 8PM at Ohr Torah, come join us as we head to United Skates of America in Woodbridge for a fun night of roller skating and arcade games. We will return to the Shul at

11:30PM. Cost is \$20 per child which covers bus transportation to/from the facility, roller skate/blade rentals, 10 tokens for arcade games per child and snacks. Sign up for our exciting youth events at the link at ohrtorah.net or contact Mayer Berg at (732) 572-3429 or email Mayer at mgberg@optonline.net.

OHR TORAH

COMMUNITY SHABBAT DINNER

Please join Congregation Ohr Torah for our 5th community Shabbat dinner on Friday evening, November 13. Dinner will be followed by a drasha from our scholar in residence, Rabbi Paysach Krohn entitled, "Making Tefilla Meaningful". EARLY BIRD reservation deadline is October 30.

R. PAYSACH KROHN:

SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE

On the Shabbat of Nov. 13-14, Cong. Ohr Torah will be hosting Rabbi Paysach Krohn, as a scholar-in-residence. Rabbi Krohn's first lecture at 8:00 pm will follow the annual community Shabbat dinner. R. Krohn will also speak Shabbat morning before musaf, and in the afternoon, following mincha.

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.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

MESIVTA TIFERES JERUSALEM

The Annual Mesivta Tiferes Jerusalem Melave Malka will be held on Motzei Shabbat November 7, 2009, 8PM at Ohav Emeth. The Guest of Honor will be Dr. Moshe Schneider, who will receive the Amod HaChesed Award. Hagaon Harav Reuven Feinstein, Shlit" a will be the guest speaker. Please call Shimon Jakubovic for information and reservations at (732) 246-1037.

MAKE NEW FRIENDS/GREET NEW PEOPLE

Are you new in town? Or perhaps would like to get to know some people who are? If so, please join us for an all-women's melave malka this upcoming Motzai Shabbos, October 24th, at 8pm at 54 Leslie Street (btw Washington and Highland) for some yummy food, an exciting activity, and best of all, a chance to make some new friends! For more info please call Rachelle Stern (732) 247-0766 or Rikki Samel (732) 249-5116. This event is open to the community and is free.

BLOOD DRIVE

We will be hosting our next blood drive on Sunday, the 21st of Marcheshvan (Nov 8), from 9:30 to 3PM at our home, 120 Highland Ave., in HP.

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 October 31st and November 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th. 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 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 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

Babysitting available and hot cookies for donors. Please contact Ira, Heidi or Batsheva to reserve a donation slot at 732-393-1018 (walk-ins are ok).

RABBI HOFFMAN'S SHIUR

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

EMUNAH

EMUNAH's Petting Zoo is back! Children ages 2 through 8 – enjoy animals, crafts, snacks, raffles and more! Sunday, October 25 (rain date November 1), 10 am to noon at the Deitcher-Matthew home, 9 Olden Road in Edison. \$8 per child; \$25 per family or \$36 donation to include 2 raffle tickets. All proceeds will buy school supplies for disadvantaged children in Israel. For additional information contact Didi Deitcher (732) 393-0211 or Tamar Loheit (732) 993-1454.

PARLOR MEETING

Rae Kushner Yeshiva High School will be holding its Highland Park/Edison parlor meeting on Wednesday October 28th at 8 pm at the home of Lorraine and Abe Schwartzbard, 9 Fairhill Road, Edison. This will be an opportunity for 8th grade parents to meet the Principal, Rabbi Eliezer Rubin, and Assistant Principal, Rabbi Motti Miller and other members of the administration. The Open House is on Sunday November 8th at the school.

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.

ISRAELI ARTISTS COME TO AHAVAS ACHIM

Ahavas Achim will be hosting artists from Israel on Motzei Shabbat, Nov 7 and all day Sunday, November 8. They will be bringing unique and one-of-a-kind creations in several different media.

For a preview of the artists and their art, go to <http://www.avi-biran.co.il/group.htm>. Please tell everyone you know about this special event open to the entire community. Attached you will find sample pictures of some of the art. More details will follow.

FRIENDS OF THE IDF

Friends of the IDF New Jersey Chapter will be having its 5th Annual IDF Tribute Dinner honoring the lone soldiers of the IDF on Saturday evening, October 24, 2009 at the Sheraton Meadowlands Hotel and Conference Center, East Rutherford, NJ. For more info, reservations, and/or journal ads please contact Benjamin Steward at (212) 244-3118 or Benjamin.steward@israelsoldiers.org or contact Ilean 732-651-1753.

BIKUR CHOLIM

Save the date! Bikur Cholim of Raritan Valley will be having its annual Eli and Frieda Stern Memorial Volunteer Appreciation Brunch on Sunday,

November 15 from 9:30-11AM at Cong Ohav Emeth. Everyone in the community is invited to join us in honoring the Erev Shabbos / Erev Yom Tov food delivery squad: Atara Degani, Natana Deutsch, Chava Schein, and Fraidy Yablonsky. Admission is free. Reservations are not required. For more information, please call Diana Hakakian (732-393-0506).

WOMEN'S AMEN GROUP

The Women's AMEN Group will be continuing to meet weekly, Sunday mornings at Cong. Ohr Torah, 1st classroom downstairs to the left of the stairway. The group will begin promptly at 9:30 AM. All women and girls are invited to join. The group prays in the 'Zechus' of Menachem Mordechai Ben Ophira and 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. Please contact E.J. 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 email 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 tehilim.

REBBITZEN EICHENSTEIN'S NAVI CLASS FOR WOMEN

Rebbitzin Eichenstein will be having her Navi class on Sefer Tehillim, Sunday morning, Oct 25 at 9:30AM at Cong. Agudath Israel and Parsha class on Monday evening, Oct 26 at 8PM at Cong. Ohr Torah. Classes are for women only. Class for post-seminary girls will not be meeting this week. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at 732-572-4408 sieqelmom@optonline.net, Ricki Stern 732-828-6939 rickenstern@yahoo.com.

MRS. MIRI COHEN'S CLASS

Mrs. Miri Cohen's ladies Parsha class will meet Wednesday morning, Oct 28 at 9:00 AM at the home of Rikki Samel, 427 Dennison St, Highland Park. For more info, please call Azriella Jaffe 732-985-7613.

AHAVAS ACHIM ISRAEL MISSION

GREAT NEWS..For all those still planning. ELAL has extended the deadline until Oct 29th. For all the exciting details, check out the group website at <http://www.arieltours.com/aamission>.

Ahavas Achim invites you to join our 8th annual Israel Mission, from January 20-31, 2010.

THE JEWISH FEDERATION

The Jewish Federation of greater Middlesex County presents "The Role of Spirituality in the Healing Process", by Rabbi Dr. Abraham Twerski.

Monday, Nov. 2 at 3:30 PM, at the Sister Marie de Pazzi Conference Center, St. Peter's Hospital. Admission is free. Register online at: JewishMidlesssex.org.

10TH GRADE ZIONIST EDL PROGRAM

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.

2010/5770 Program OPTIONS!!!!

Come join Steve Frankel, director of Mach Hach Ba'aretz, at an information night for prospective participants and their parents Monday, Oct. 26 at 8PM At the Felder home 10 Van Hise Court East Brunswick, NJ Families attending will be eligible for a \$50 voucher to be used towards tuition. Hear about special financial options! If you are interested in setting up an info night in your area or are planning to attend please contact : machhach@bnejakiva.org or 212-465-9536

AGUDATH ISRAEL

Join 1000's of women worldwide for the 7th annual Worldwide Video presentation for the Yahrzeit of Rachel Imeinu. Wed. October 28, 2009, 8:00pm, at Agudath Israel. Suggested donation: \$5, Proceeds for Aniyeh Eretz Yisrael. Introduction by Ha Rav Shmuel Kamenetsky, shlit"a, Shiurim by Rebbetzin Tehila Jaeger, and Rebbetzin Tziporah Heller, special message from Sara Yocheved Rigler. For: Women/students, Contact 201-837-0354 for more information.

PARK MIKVAH

The Edison/Highland Park Mikvah is open Sat-Thurs nights, 9-11 pm. FRIDAY NIGHTS are by APPOINTMENT ONLY. Please watch for new hours Nov 1st, Call 732-249-2411. Fee \$15. OUT OF HOURS an ADDITIONAL \$20.

LOCAL ERUV

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

Shabbat Lech Lecha	
Candlelighting	5:38 PM
Mincha/ Maariv	5:45 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.

Sof davar...

Tannaim and Amoraim: Rav Huna

This famous second generation *amora* was surrounded by some very distinguished people. He was the student of no less than Rav and Shmuel, and the teacher of the equally great Rabbah and Rav Yosef. In his youth Rav Huna was relatively poor and could not afford any money for wine, even for *kiddush*. Also he used a simple piece of rope for a belt. When Rav heard of this he blessed him saying that he will some day be covered in expensive silks. And that in fact is what happened. Rav also blessed others declaring that they be like Rav Huna. As he became famous he was surrounded by 300 *amoraim* when he *darshened*, a number that increased to 800 during the *yarchei kallah*. With the passing of Rav and Shmuel, Rav Huna became the head of the yeshiva in Sura, a position he held for 40 years. It was under his guidance that the yeshiva witnessed great growth. Rav Huna, like so many others, was concerned about the welfare of the poor. After a severe rain storm he would tour the living areas and when he saw that a building was in such bad shape that it might collapse on its inhabitants he ordered it torn down. If it was owned by a very poor person he would order the home rebuilt with public funds. On *erev Shabbat* he would buy up whatever vegetables were not sold so that the vendor would go home with a profit and would be encouraged to return the following week. He lived a long life. He was over 80 when he passed away. He asked that a *sefer torah* be placed in his *aron*, but this request was denied by the rabbis. Though he spent his entire career in Bavel he was laid to rest in Eretz Yisroel.

by Rabbi Israel Poleyeff

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