



# Congregation Ohr Torah

## Weekly Announcements

<http://www.ohrtorah.net>

48 Edgemount Road Edison, NJ 08817

**Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi**

**Allen Kessel - President**

*Parshas Vayeitzei*

11 Kislev 5770

November 28, 2009

**Candlelighting:** 4:14PM  
**Mincha:** 4:20PM  
**Shacharis:** 7:45 and 9:00AM

**Rabbi Hoffman's Pesachim Shiur - After Hashkama**

**Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA):** 9:22AM

**Early Mincha:** 1:30 PM

**Rabbi Luban's Maseches Megillah Shiur – 3:15 PM**

**Mincha:** 4:05 PM

**Shalosh Seudos speaker: Yoni Leitman**

**Maariv:** 5:15 PM

**Weekday Shacharis:**

**Sunday:** 7:15, 8 & 9 AM

**Mon & Thur** 6:20, 7:05, & 8 AM

**Tues, Wed & Fri** 6:30, 7:10, & 8AM

**Weekday Mincha/ Maariv:** 4:20 PM

**Weekday Maariv** 7:30 & 10:10 PM

**Rabbi Luban's Shiur She'eilos Uteshuvos: Monday 9:10PM**

Tuesday Tehillim 9:50 PM

**DAF YOMI SCHEDULE**

Daf Yomi will meet this Friday after 8am shacharis. There will be no shiur after maariv. This Shabbos -the Daf will meet 45 minutes before mincha.

There will be no shiur at 8:15 am this Shabbos.

### 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 December 19th & 26th and January 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th. 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 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 [ludeeju@gmail.com](mailto: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.

### REFUAH SHLEIMAH LEARNING

Please see the Ohr Torah website, [www.ohrtorah.net](http://www.ohrtorah.net), for the various schedules of learning as a Z'chus for a Refuah Shleimah for members of our shul and community.

### MAZEL TOV

...to Iris & Elie Borger on the birth of a son. Mazal Tov to the grandparents, Susan Borger, Sam Borger & Nachman & Rachel Ofer and to the great grandmother, Mrs. Paula Zeisel. The Shalom Zachor is at 8PM Friday night at 26 Leslie Street & the Bris will follow Musaf Shabbos morning at Ohr Torah. ...Jerry & Barbara and Jerry Belsh on the birth of a son to their children Tamar & JJ Brandler. Mazal Tov to big sister Avigayil, to Josef & Estelle Brandler, & to the entire Belsh & Brandler families. The Shalom Zachor this Shabbat evening will take place at the Belsh home, 18 Edgemount Rd, Edison at 7:45 pm.

...to Toby and Michael Eleff on the birth of a son, to their children Eli and Tybee Eleff. The Shalom Zachor this Shabbos evening will be at 7:30PM at the Eleff home, 20 Edgemount Rd., Edison.

### KIDDUSH

Kiddush this Shabbos is sponsored by Iris & Elie Borger in honor of their son's Bris.

### SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Rivka and Joel Adler to commemorate the yahrzeit of Joel's father Zev ben Shmuel Halevi, Z"L.

### CONGREGATION OHR TORAH ELECTION BALLOTS

Election ballots have been mailed. The election will take place in Shul Wednesday Dec 9th, 8:00 - 10:00 PM. Absentee Ballots are being accepted.

Only Full Members in good standing may cast ballots. Consult Yoel Schwartz, our Financial Secretary, if you have any questions regarding your Member Status.

### 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 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 EVENTS

--On Motzei Shabbat December 5th, Ohr Torah will be heading to the New Jersey Devils vs Detroit Red Wings hockey game. We will be meeting at the Edison Train Station at 5:45 PM sharp to catch a 5:56 PM train to Newark. Cost is \$40/child. Includes a ticket to the game, transportation and snacks on the train Only 30 tickets are available.

--On Motzei Shabbat December 26th at 5:45 PM sharp at Ohr Torah, come join us as we head to the New Jersey Nets vs Houston Rockets game at the Izod Center with a special visit to the NJ Nets Practice Training Facility beforehand. The training facility is a replica of the Izod Center with the same flooring, lighting and much more! Cost is \$45/child which includes a ticket to the game, transportation on a coach bus and snacks on the bus. Only 45 tickets are available.

For either event, Please make all checks out to Ohr Torah with your phone number and the name of the your child/ren coming to the game.

### CONDOLENCES

...to Lorraine Spiler on the loss of her father Marcus Amigo. Shiva will be at the Spiler home at 16 Marshall Drive, Edison until Monday morning.

...to Simcha Klerer on the loss of his mother Hinda Klerer. Shiva will be at the Klerer home at 28 Celler Rd., Edison on Motzei Shabbat only. Shiva will continue at 1415 Avenue O Apt. 4B in Brooklyn until Tuesday.

May Hashem provide comfort among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

### MISSING TALIT

Henry Lerner is missing his talit and bag. The talit bag has his name on it.

### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### MISHMAR LEARNING PROGRAM

Mishmar learning program is held at RPRY Motzei Shabbat @ 7:00 pm. Please bring your own seforim. Cost is \$3.00 which includes, pizza, donuts, prizes and raffles. Starting with November 6, Mishmar switches to 7:00 pm.

#### YOU SAY YOU WANT A REVOLUTION

"Chanukah and Revolutions"

Join us for an intriguing discussion on this subject at a Chanukah Oneg Shabbat with the Mekor Chaim/Steinsaltz Ambassadors at the Scheiner residence, 238 Harrison Ave., on Shabbat, Dec 11th at 8PM.

#### RABBI HOFFMAN'S SHIUR

Rabbi Hoffman has resumed his Wednesday night shiur. This year, the shiur will learn mesechta brochos with rishonim, acharonim and halacha l'maisseh. Please join this wonderful learning opportunity. 8:30-9:15 at the Agudah.

#### KESHARIM

Kesharim is offering a girls 10AM Sunday morning brunch study Chumay Biyun class at Rutgers. For info, call Leora 732-710-8331.

#### 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.

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

### **CLASSES FOR WOMEN/GIRLS**

-Rebbitzen Eichenstein will have her Navi class on Sefer Tehillim, Sunday morning, Nov 29 at 10AM at Cong. Agudath Israel and Parsha class on Monday evening, Nov 30 at 8 PM at Cong. Ohr Torah. Classes are for women only. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at 732-572-4408 [siegelmom@optonline.net](mailto:siegelmom@optonline.net), Ricki Stern 732-828-6939 [rickistern@yahoo.com](mailto:rickistern@yahoo.com).

-Mrs. Miri Cohen's ladies Parsha class will NOT be meeting this Wednesday, December 2. For more information, please call Azriella Jaffe 732-985-7613.

### **JFS FUNDRAISER**

The Annual Casino Night Fundraiser for Jewish Family Services of Middlesex County is fast approaching. Please join us on the evening of Sunday, Dec. 6th to help support an organization that does so much for our community and show them that we appreciate their commitment to continue meeting our ever-changing needs. The cost of the evening is only \$36 and that includes glatt kosher hors d'oeuvres and a delicious dessert buffet, not to mention hours of fun. For more information, please call Rikki Samel or Rachelle Stern at (732) 249-5116 or (732) 247-0766 or call Jewish Family Services directly at (732) 777-1940.

### **YST PTA**

YST PTA invites the entire community to a powerful presentation of song, dance and Tehillim with RACHEL FACTOR. Rachel Factor details her journey..from a non-Jewish teenage girl in Hawaii.. who dreamed of a career on stage.. to a mother of four in Yerushalayim. Tuesday, Dec 1, 2009, 8pm, Yeshiva Shaarei Tzion - Boys Auditorium 71 Ethel Road West, Piscataway, NJ 08854. \$15/per ticket - Premium Seating; \$10/per ticket - Regular Seating. Advance sales please call Dawn Botnick 732-220-8552. All women and girls in 8th grade older are encouraged to join us.

### **WOMEN'S AMEN GROUP**

The Women's AMEN Group will be continuing to meet weekly, Sunday mornings at Congregation Ohr Torah, 1st classroom downstairs to the left of the stairway. The group will begin promptly at 9:30AM. 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. Berman at [EJPartyworks@aol.com](mailto: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 sheleimah 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.

### **UNCLE MOISHY**

Hey dum diddy dum..... UNCLE MOISHY IS COMING TO TOWN. CHANUKAH 2009 - December 16 from 5:45 pm - 6:45 pm at YST Boys School, 71 Ethel Road West, Piscataway, NJ 08854. General seating - \$10; Preferred seating - \$15. For more information, please call Marla Rottenstreich 732-317-2784 or Aliza Scher 732-985-0720.

### **ORTHODOX FORUM OF H.P.**

The Orthodox Forum of Highland Park/Edison hosts Gary Rosenblatt, Editor of The Jewish Week, on Motzei Shabbat, December 5 at 8:00 at Cong. Ohav Emeth, 415 Raritan Avenue, Highland Park. Mr. Rosenblatt, an engaging and provocative speaker, will discuss "Responsible Journalism and the Orthodox Community." A Q&A period will follow his presentation. The entire community is welcome including college students and high school seniors. Admission is free. For more information about this event or The Orthodox Forum, please email [hpedisonorthodoxforum@gmail.com](mailto:hpedisonorthodoxforum@gmail.com).

### **TEFILLAH INITIATIVE E-MAILS**

Send an e-mail to: [tefillah@actt613.org](mailto:tefillah@actt613.org), to receive the Raritan Valley Tefillah Initiative e-mails, including the very informative and inspiring V'ani Tefillah Foundation newsletter "Praying With Passion - A Weekly E-mail Newsletter Focusing on the Meaning Of The Davening".

### **NCSY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

\*Jr\*. NCSY Lock in at Fun Time America is now only two weeks away the price for the event is now 45 dollars and transportation is 15\$ were leaving December 5 11:30 pm from RPRY and returning to RPRY around 8:45. Space on the bus is limited so PLEASE SIGN UP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. Sign up on [njncsy.com](http://njncsy.com) We here at Jr NCSY are constantly trying to improve our communications abilities between our advisors and parents. we are calling on all those parents and kids interested in being in on the most up to date, fun and exciting events to please join our mailing list by emailing your preferred email address to [jrncsyhp@gmail.com](mailto:jrncsyhp@gmail.com) we are also on Facebook Highland Park Homies. Any question or comments please don't hesitate to call.... Tzvi Hametz @ 732 991 2252 or [Tocopow@aol.com](mailto:Tocopow@aol.com) or Gavi Lankin @ 732 406 3744

\*Srs\*. This week there is a Sr NCSY oneg at the goldsmith home 20 Celler Rd at 8 pm come meet

the new advisor Eitan Gold and hang out with your friends all 9 -12 graders are invited. No need to sit at home this motzie Shabbat twidling your thumbs and trying to figure out something better to do because sr. NCSY is going ice skating and lazer tag this motzie shabbat at the Bridgewater sports Arena at 730 pizza will be served. cost is 20\$. also WINTER REGIONAL CONVENTION the shabbaton no to be missed at the Hudson Valley resort to be the one left out in the cold this year. SIGN UP NOW [Njncsy.com](http://Njncsy.com) Any questions or comments please contact Eitan at 908 577 8940 or email at [eyg1023@gmail.com](mailto:eyg1023@gmail.com).

### **CHUG IVRIT TO MEET**

The next meeting of Chug Ivrit (Hebrew Club) for intermediate to advanced Hebrew speakers will be on Sunday, December 6, (Note new date. It is not meeting on Nov 29.) at 11am at the home of Justin & Susan Hornstein, 701 S. 2nd Ave., Highland Park. You can RSVP directly to them at (732) 214-9631 or [jhornstein@att.com](mailto:jhornstein@att.com). 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. For more info, contact Rachel Weintraub at 732-819-9298 or [rachel@weintraubworld.net](mailto:rachel@weintraubworld.net)

### **EMPLOYMENT NETWORK OF RARITAN VALLEY**

For more info, go to [www.ENRV.org](http://www.ENRV.org), or contact Bob Lansey at [ENRV@verizon.net](mailto:ENRV@verizon.net). Please help: If you know of any job openings, please e-mail the info to [enrv@verizon.net](mailto:enrv@verizon.net). Jobs can be professional, part-time, or temporary.

### **PARK MIKVAH**

The Edison/Highland Park mikvah will be open Saturday-Thursday evenings 8:30-10:30pm. Friday nights by appointment only, and must be made by Thursday night at 8:30pm. Fee \$15. OUT OF HOURS: additional \$20. Call 732-249-2411

### **LOCAL ERUV**

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

Shabbat Vayishlach	
Candlelighting	4:12 PM
Mincha/ Maariv	4:20 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) **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.



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