



# Congregation Ohr Torah

## Weekly Announcements

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**Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi**

**Allen Kessel - President**

*Parshas Va'etchanan*

11 Av 5769

August 1, 2009

Candlelighting:	7:55 PM
Plag Mincha:	6:00 PM
Early Mincha/ Kabbalas Shabbos:7 & 7:30PM	
Mincha:	8:05 PM
Shacharis:	7:45 and 9:00AM
<i>Rabbi Hoffman's Pesachim Shiur- After Hashkama</i>	
Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA):	9:29AM
Early Mincha:	1:45 PM
<i>Kollel Learning Seder 4-6 PM</i>	
Kollel Mincha	6:00 PM
<i>Rabbi Luban's Maseches Megillah Shiur 6:55 PM</i>	
Mincha:	7:45 PM
<i>Shalosh Seudos speaker: R. Akiva Sauer</i>	
Maariv:	8:55 PM
<b>Weekday Shacharis:</b>	
Sunday:	7:15, 8 & 9 AM
<i>Rabbi Billowitz shiur -after 8 AM Shacharis</i>	
Mon, Thu.	6:20, 7:05, 8 AM
Tues, Wed., Fri.	6:30, 7:10, 8 AM
<b>Weekday Mincha/ Maariv:</b>	7:55 PM
<b>Weekday Maariv</b>	10:10 PM
Tuesday Tehillim 9:50 PM	
<b>DAF YOMI SCHEDULE</b>	
Monday -Thursday 7:30pm	
Friday after 7 pm davening	
Daf Yomi this Shabbos will take place 1 hour 15 min before Mincha,6:30	
Sunday after 8:30 shacharis	

### MAZEL TOV

... to Elite and Wayne Hutman and family who are making aliyah to Israel this week.  
 ...to Daniel Himmel on his aufruf this Shabbos and upcoming marriage to Devorah Joel of Passaic, NJ. Mazel Tov as well to his parents Marion & Ronald Himmel, his brothers Jeffrey and Lyle Himmel .  
 ...to Riki and Robert Kreitman on the marriage of their daughter Rena to David Moisa of Jamaica Estates, this Sunday.  
 Mazel Tov to Grandparents Sheila and Henry Schanzer, aunts and uncles, Lisa and Barry Schanzer, and Michelle and Robert Schanzer and the entire Schanzer, Kreitman and Moisa families.

### KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week is sponsored by Daniel Himmel in honor of his aufruf.

### SHALOSH SEUDOS

Tzeschem L'shalom to Wayne & Elite Hutman and family who are making aliyah to Israel this week. There will be a send-off Shalosh Seudot sponsored by the Friends of the Hutmans. Thanks to Moshe Wiesel for coordinating. Please contact Moshe if you wish to be included in this Shalosh Seudot sponsorship (\$25).

### SEFORIM NEWS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

- Edward & Sharon Lowinger for a Refuah Shleimah to Harvey Paretzky
- Edward & Sharon Lowinger in memory of Leib Haller's father Bernard Haller Z"L
- Gedalia and Phyllis Reiss in memory of Gedalia's father Rabbi Phillip Reiss Z"L

### TUESDAY TEHILLIM

In light of the urgent need for refua for two dear shul members, please remember to attend our weekly Tehillim on Tuesday night at 9:50 PM, followed by Maariv.

### PARKING ON EDMOUNT ROAD

As a reminder to all, please do not park your vehicles in front of the first two homes, #46 and #44 on Edgemount Road which are adjacent to the Shul. We want to maintain our good relations with our neighbors so please be mindful and use the parking lot when the rest of Edgemount Road is fully parked with cars during the week and especially on Shabbos. We need everyone's cooperation on this matter.

### THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Recognizing that Hachnosas Kallah is a particular merit for the recovery of one who is ill, we are making a final public request to

raise funds for the wedding of a needy baal tshuva couple (Yaakov and Sarah), in the zechus of a refuah shelaima for Avraham ben Lyudmila (our son-in-law, Arkady). Tax-deductible (US Tax-ID:11-3062761) donations for this purpose can be made online, by going to the donation page on the Lezion B'rina website ([www.lezionbrina.com](http://www.lezionbrina.com)). Donations also can be made to Lezion B'rina Institute by check, which we will forward.

Michael & Penny Kaplan

### ACTT GUEST SPEAKER PLANNED

Come hear Rabbi Heshy Kleinman, world-renowned author of the "Praying With Fire" series, speak about "Igniting Your Power of Prayer" on Sunday, August 30th at 8:00 PM at Congregation Ohr Torah. This event will kickoff the ACTT sponsored community-wide Tefillah Initiative and the Kavanah During Davening Module 4. Admission is free. Sponsors are needed and source book dedications are available. The Tefillah Initiative, in conjunction with the Kavanah During Davening module, will start Monday, August 31st. BE A PART OF IT! 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](http://www.actt613.org), e-mail: [info@actt613.org](mailto:info@actt613.org).

### NOTE FROM THE CHOMSKY FAMILY

We wish to extend a deeply heartfelt *yasher koach* to Rabbi and Rebbetzin Luban, Rabbi and Rebbetzin Poleyeff, Rabbi and Mrs. Gross, the Chevra Kadisha's devoted members – from the constant flow of people expressing their *nechamah* and supplying the meals, to Josh Geiger who fulfilled the great mitzvah of *shemirah* throughout the night and the entire community, for the endless love and support we received (and continue to receive) during our untimely tragedy. All of you have given us strength in our weakest time, and a flicker of light in the second darkest period of our lives. The initials of R. Aharon Chomsky zt"l, aleph and ches, which spell out the word "ach" are fitting for the enrichment of our lives that you have given us with your unconditional brotherly (and sisterly) love and warmth. We will remember our parents, Rabbi Aharon and Rebbetzin Lillian Chomsky, *aleihem hashalom* forever, and we will be eternally grateful to the Ohr Torah *kehillah* and the Edison/ HP community in that very same

### 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 August 15<sup>th</sup> 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<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 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.

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

special way. May our dear parents each be a *meilitz yosher* for klal yisrael. B'ahavah, Chave, Zephyr, Eli, Iris, Benjamin and Herschel Chomsky.

### **CHOFETZ CHAIM TISHA B'AV VIDEOS**

CD and tape copies of the Chofetz Chaim Tisha B'av presentations are available from Debbie Schneider. Please call 732-572-4713 if you are interested. Thank you to Gene Wasserman for generously lending his video equipment and his time to enable the DVD's to be shown on Tisha B'av. Thank you to Sarah Siegel for helping to run one of the showings of the Chofetz Chaim DVD's.

### **SILVER RING FOUND**

If anyone lost a silver ring in Shul a while ago, please contact Irwin Goldblatt.

### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **URGENT APPEAL –**

#### **EMERGENCY BONE MARROW DONOR DRIVE**

Jonathan Haupt, a young man diagnosed with aggressive Acute Myelogenous Leukemia, and Asher Silfen, a child diagnosed with Leukemia, are in dire need of bone marrow transplants which offer their only hope for future survival. They have not yet found a match in the current registry of donors. We appeal to you to give JUST A FEW MINUTES of your time for a SIMPLE CHEEK SWAB. For more information please contact: Ida Scheiner (732)247-3073 or Rochel Wolff (732) 213-7341.

#### **BLOOD DRIVE**

As the summer winds down, and thoughts turn to school supplies, the Rosen family reminds you that there's still much to do before the summer is over. On Sunday, August 23, we will be running our next blood drive at our home, 120 Highland Ave., in HP. From 9:30-3:00, we'll have fresh cookies baking and babysitting available. Contact us at 732-393-1018 for a donation slot - or just show up - walk-ins are happily bled

#### **DONATION OF CAR WANTED**

Rabbi Goldberger of Staten Island, who gives a Daf Yomi shiur in Highland Park, is looking for a car / minivan that would be available. Please call 718-948-2548 if you know of any vehicle.

#### **TEHILLIM BOOKLETS AVAILABLE FOR WEDDINGS**

The community now has a source for Tefilos booklets to be used during chuppah (wedding) ceremonies. The Children's Fund in memory of Dina Eisner will lend these beautiful booklets, illustrated by the renowned artist Yonah Weinrib, to any family upon request. A donation of \$36.00 is suggested. For more information, please contact Lynn Hanfling at (732) 777-0225.

### **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>

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

Free job networking session: Wednesday, August 12th 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 8 pm and ends at 10 pm. Oksana Dersovitz, a career coach, will discuss strategies for career change. 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 information to [enrv@verizon.net](mailto:enrv@verizon.net). Jobs can be professional, part-time, or temporary.

### **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.

### **SOFER AT JUDAICA GALLERY**

The Sofer will be at Judaica Gallery, 300 Raritan Avenue, this Sunday August 2nd. Those who need to check their mezuzot and tefillin should come down. Store hours are 10am to 5pm. If you know you will be coming please let us know at 732-828-7722. Walk-ins are welcome. (Although generally he is here the Sunday following Shabbos mevorchim he will be here this Sunday)

### **FRIENDS OF THE IDF NJ CHAPTER**

Save the Date: 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, [www.israelsoldiers.org](http://www.israelsoldiers.org) or Ilean 732-651-1753.

### **ATTENTION WOMEN AND GIRLS**

The Women's weekly AMEN Group will meet at Congregation OT on Sunday morning at 9AM, 1st classroom downstairs to the left of the stairway. All women and girls are invited to join. The group prays in the 'Zechus' of Menachem Mordechai Ben Ophira, Fruma Sarah Bas Devorah Rachel, 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 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.

### **KEREN KOL KALLAH**

Keren Kol Kallah was established to provide orphan and destitute kallahs in Israel with essential needs. Keren Kol Kallah has one main fund-raiser, a gala Sheitel Sale. Donated custom sheitels, some brand-new, some gently worn, are sold to women in Israel who would not otherwise have the funds to buy a quality wig. Last year's sale raised over \$60,000!! Sheitels can be dropped off at 16 Edgemount Road, Edison. For more info, please see the web site: [www.geocities.com/kerenkolkallah](http://www.geocities.com/kerenkolkallah) or contact Aviva Siegel (732) 572-4408 [siegelmom@optonline.net](mailto:siegelmom@optonline.net)

### **PARK MIKVAH**

The Edison/Highland Park Mikvah is open Sun-Thurs nights, 9-11 pm. FRIDAY NIGHTS are by APPOINTMENT ONLY. Saturday night, August 1st, the mikvah opens at 9:45 pm. Saturday nights, August 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, the mikvah opens at 9:30pm. Call 732-249-2411. Fee \$15. OUT OF HOURS an ADDITIONAL \$20.

### **CHUG IVRIT**

Chug Ivrit is sponsored by the Raritan Valley Chapter of Hadassah. It is free and open to both men and women. We chat in Hebrew and read a short Hebrew story. For more info, contact Rachel Weintraub at 732-819-9298 or [rachel@weintraubworld.net](mailto:rachel@weintraubworld.net)

### **LOCAL ERUV**

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

Parshas Ekev	
Candlelighting	7:47 PM
Mincha/ Maariv	7, 7:30 & 7:55 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.