



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi

Robert Kreitman - President

Parshat Behaalotchah

Sivan 16

May 29, 2010

Shabbos Candlelighting:	8:00PM
Plag Mincha:	6:00PM
Mincha:	7:00, 7:30 & 8:10PM
Shacharis:	7:45, 9:00 and 9:15 AM
<i>Rabbi Hoffman's Shiur-After Hashkama</i>	
Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA):	9:12 AM
Kollel Learning Seder - 4-6 PM	
Rabbi Luban's Maseches Rosh Hashana	
Shiur – cancelled this week	
Mincha:	1:45, 6:00 & 7:55 PM
Shalosh Seudos speaker:	
Dr. S. Slonim	
Maariv:	9:05 PM
Weekday Shacharis:	
Sun & Mon (Memorial day)	7:15, 8 & 9 AM
Tues., Wed, & Fri.	6:30, 7:10 & 8 AM
Thurs.	6:20, 7:05 & 8 AM
Weekday Mincha/ Maariv:	8:10 PM
Weekday Maariv	10:10 PM
Rabbi Luban's She'eilos Uteshuvos Shiur:	
cancelled this week	
Tuesday Tehillim 9:50 PM	
DAF YOMI SCHEDULE	
Monday-Thursday before Maariv. Friday after first Kabbolas Shabbos Minyan. Shabbos one hour before Mincha. Sunday after 8 AM Schacharis.	

BARUCH HABAH

Ohr Torah would like to welcome newcomers, visitors and guests who are joining us. If our President, Robert Kreitman 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 June 19th & 26th and July 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th & 31st. 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.

REFUAH SHLEIMAH LEARNING

Please see the Ohr Torah website, 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 Rabbi Yaakov and Rebbetzin Luban on the Aufruf and upcoming marriage of their son Avrohom Yitzchok to Lieba Bloom of Far Rockaway. Mazel Tov to Rabbi and Mrs. Yechiel Bloom, the Kallah's parents, and to the grandparents, Rabbi and Mrs. Chaim Luban, Rabbi Yosef Meisels and Rabbi and Mrs. Shmuel Bloom.

...to Miriam and Michael Rabinowitz on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Gedalia. Mazel Tov to his siblings, Michal, Ella and Noa. and to the grandparents, Paula Rabinowitz and Rabbi and Mrs. Simon Sterzer.

...to Mina and Larry Tiefenbrunn on the birth of Bracha Perel to their children Dov and Sima Greer in New Haven.

...to Shoshana and Ted Diskind on the birth of a son to Shoshana Chava and Mordechai Diskind. Mazel Tov to the Grandparents Elly Rubin, Marilyn Rubin, to Uncle Ari and Aunt Chani and the Diskind/Hecht, Rubin/German families.

...to Zina and Ushi Freundlich on the birth of a son to their children Rivki and Josh Freundlich, in Atlanta.

...to Ruchi and Yossi Stern on the engagement of their daughter, Esty, to Shloimy Schwimmer of Brooklyn.

KIDDUSH

-Kiddush after the main minyan is sponsored by Rabbi and Rebbetzin Luban in honor of Avrohom Yitzchok's aufruf.

-Kiddush after the Hashkamah Minyan is sponsored by Miriam and Michael Rabinowitz in honor of Gedalia's Bar Mitzvah. The Kiddush will be at RPRY.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos this Shabbos is sponsored by Miriam and Michael Rabinowitz in honor of Gedalia's Bar Mitzvah.

OHR TORAH BBQ

Please reserve Sunday, June 6th from 2:00-6:00 PM for an amazing Ohr Torah BBQ and Sports Day at Donaldson Park. Please contact Meir Berg, Ephraim Gerszberg or Robert Kreitman if you would like to join the BBQ Committee. Those on the committee get the first hot dogs off the grill.

TREE OF LIFE LEAVES AND YAHRZEIT PLAQUES

The Board has approved a special reduced price for donations to dedicate a Leaf on the Tree of Life and or a Yahrzeit plaques. This special will be for a limited period only. For all payments actually received from now until midnight, June 30th the price of a leaf will be \$180 instead of \$250 and the price of a

plaque will be \$400 instead of \$500. All proceeds from this campaign will go directly into our capital account.

PEREK ON THE LAWN

Perek on the Lawn will be hosted this coming Shabbos, May 26th, by Mike & Nechama Samel. The shiur will be led by Simcha Klerer and will take place at 5:15 PM at 15 Brookfall Road.

SEFORIM DEDICATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

- The Diskind Family in honor of David and Fay Moskovic on the birth of granddaughter Danielle Rose to Etan and Adena
- David and Fay Moskovic for a Refuah Shlema to Amanda Reinhard
- David and Fay Moskovic on the birth of granddaughter Danielle Rose to Etan and Adena
- David and Fay Moskovic for Rabbi & Rebbitzin Luban on the forthcoming marriage of their son Avrohom to Lieba
- David and Fay Moskovic on the engagement of Avi Tobias to Illana Lyons
- David and Fay Moskovic for Heshy Granek on the birth of grandson Shmuel Kurtz
- David and Fay Moskovic in memory of David's grandparents who perished in the Holocaust Z"L
- David and Fay Moskovic for Jack and Rivky Atkin on the engagement of Shuli to Zach Fuchs
- David and Fay Moskovic for Dr. Marc and Lynn Hanfling on the birth of grandson Avraham Nadelbach
- David and Fay Moskovic in honor of Menachem Mordechai Gottlieb for a Refuah Shlema
- Yisroel Maier Weitzner & family in honor of Rabbi Luban
- Yisroel Maier Weitzner & family in honor of Yossi Stern
- Yisroel Maier Weitzner & family in honor of Barry Siegel

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

HACHNOSAS KALLAH GEMACH

Lev L'nefesh, a hachnosas kallah gemach l'zecher nishmas Suri Granek, will be having its inaugural breakfast. The event will take place at Congregation Ohr Torah on Sunday, June 6th at 10 am. The guest speaker will be Mrs. Zlata Press, principal of Bnos Leah Prospect Park yeshiva high school. The event is for women only. To make reservations or for more information, please call Chaya Katzenstein 732-572-1293.

NORPAC THANK YOU

Yasher Koach to the Edison/HP/EB community for our record breaking participation in the NORPAC Washington

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

mission this year. As part of the total 1050 registrants we sent 3 and 1/2 busloads representing almost 15% of the mission. Thank you to the 6 bus leaders, 22 group leaders, 4 community Rabbis and area leaders for all your efforts. Most of all, thank you to the community participants who took the time to make a difference.

ACTT

The 5th year of the ACTT program starts on June 1, 2010 with Anger Management for Positive Results Module 3. Download the learning schedule from the Modules page of www.actt613.org. Rabbi Yaakov Luban, Moreh D'Asra of Congregation Ohr Torah and Executive Rabbinic Coordinator at the Orthodox Union, will be the featured speaker at the July 18, 2010 Community-Wide Gathering & Booster Event at 8:15 PM (Mincha 8:00 PM, Maariv after the program) at Congregation Ohav Emeth in Highland Park. Admission is free. For additional information, please 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.

JR NCSY INFO

Jr NCSY is selling sweatshirts!! They are green, zip up, and are \$18. If you would like one, call Tzvi 732-991-2252 or Gavi 732-406-3744.

PARK MIKVAH

The Edison/Highland Park Mikvah will be open Sunday-Thursday, 9-11PM. Saturday nights through the end of May, the mikvah opens at 9:45pm. Friday nights and Yom Tovs, by appointment only, and must be made by Thursday night at 8:30pm. Fee \$15. OUT OF HOURS: additional \$20. Call 732-249-2411

YESHIVA TIFERES

NAFTOLI TORAH DEDICATION DINNER

Sun, June 6; 5pm- honoring Dr. & Mrs. Ira Krumholtz. The dinner will be held at the Crystal Ballroom at the Radisson Hotel, 50 Gibson Place, Freehold, NJ. For ads and reservations call 732-446-5841.

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.

BOYS FROM BROOKLYN APPEAR

The Boys from Brooklyn are back!-They will be at RPRY on Tuesday, June 1st from 5-8 p.m. selling shells for women and girls. A portion of the proceeds will go to the

RPRY PTA. For more information, contact Ida Scheiner (732) 247-3073.

RPRY ANNUAL CHINESE AUCTION

RPRY's 2nd Annual Chinese Auction! Get your ticket orders in NOW!! Drawing on JUNE 30th !! We're hoping for close to 100% participation from RPRY parents, grandparents and community members!! Don't miss this chance to, INEXPENSIVELY, win beautiful prizes: car lease, trips to Israel and beyond, school tuition and camp grants, seforim, jewelry, computers, gift cards and LOTS more. AND, thanks to the generosity of private sponsors, 100% of proceeds will benefit RPRY's Scholarship Fund! Wishing everyone much Mazel in winning great prizes, and we thank you in advance for helping to make RPRY's Chinese Auction a resounding success! To view prizes/ order tickets, go to www.chineseauctiononline.com, link from www.rpry.org, or order manually (see RPRY office for auction booklet). Questions? Please contact RPRY at 732-572-5052 or Leslie Ostrin at leslienbo@monmouth.com.

MURRAY THE SOCK MAN

Murray the "Sock Man" will be at Ohav Emeth on Thursday, June 3rd from 3-8 p.m. Come and shop for all your camp needs, including camp trunks, gear and clothes. A portion of the proceeds will go to benefit the RPRY PTA. For more information, please contact Ida Scheiner at (732) 247-3073.

FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS

-Rebbitzen Eichenstein will **not** be having class on Sunday, May 30. Class will be held on Monday evening, May 31 at 8PM at Cong. Ohr Torah. Classes are for women only. 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 ladies Parsha class will meet Wed morning, June 2 at 9:15 AM at the home of Rikki Samel, 427 Dennison St, Highland Park. -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 9:30 AM. All women and girls are invited to join. The group prays in the 'Zechus' of a Refuah Shleimah for Menachem Mordechai Ben Ophira and other Cholim on community lists and for 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.

-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.

YARCHEI KALLAH

Congregation Sharey Tefilah of Perth Amboy in conjunction with Yeshiva Aderes Hatorah of Jerusalem will be hosting a Memorial Day Yarchei Kallah Monday, May 31st 2010 At 15 Market Street Perth Amboy, NJ. For more information, please call our office at (732) 987-7776.

RPRY RAFFLE

RPRY announces its annual raffle for Jewish Education. Grand prize are 2 tickets to Israel plus 2nd & 3rd place prizes. Drawing is scheduled for 6/14. Tickets are \$36 apiece or 3 for \$100. Please see the flyer for more details. For tickets please see OT contacts Russ Adler, Barry Siegel, Leeor Jerushalmy, Brian Dube or Asaf Shmuel.

EMPLOYMENT NETWORK OF RARITAN VALLEY

Looking for work? We can help. Go to www.ENRV.org or contact Bob Lansey at enrv@verizon.net. We post over 100 jobs each month, and help people with their resume and search strategies. Please help: If you know of any professional, part-time, or temporary job openings, please e-mail the information to enrv@verizon.net.

LOCAL ERUV

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

Shabbat Shelach	
Candlelighting	8:06 PM
Mincha/ Maariv	6:00 (plag), 7, 7:30 & 8:15 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: R. Yitzchak Nafcha

by Rabbi Israel Poleyeff

Ask anyone and they will tell you he is known as "nafcha" because he was a blacksmith. In fact many scholars say that he was named after an individual who **was** a blacksmith, but R. Yitzchak himself was not. This Eretz Yisroel *amora* of the second and third generation (about the year 300), as great as he was, is never mentioned in the Yerushalmi. He studied in the *bet midrash* of R. Yochanan. Eventually he went to Bavel where he became an expert in both *halacha* and *agada*. This led him to a rather curious situation. R. Yitzchak had two famous students, Rav Ami and Rav Assi. One day one of them implored his teacher to deliver a *dvar halacha*, to which he agreed. Soon after that, the other student implored his rebbi to deliver a *dvar agadah* to which he inexplicably also agreed. But now what was he to do having promised two different lectures at the same time. R. Yitzchak then offered a *mashal*. It was comparable, he said, to a man who was married to two women, one young and one older. The younger one did not like his white hair because it made him look old so she plucked out all his white hair. The older wife didn't want people to say she married someone much younger than she. So she plucked out his black hair. The result: *kairaiach mikan vekeireiach mikan*, he was left as a bald man. R. Yitzchak Nafcha had an unquenchable love for the people of Israel. In this vein he wrote: "*Malchus nichneset, umalchus yotseit, veyisroel omed leolam*". Kingdoms rise and kingdoms fall, but Israel shall stand forever.