



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parshas Beshalach

15 Shevat 5770

January 30, 2010

Candlelighting:	4:54PM
Mincha:	5:00PM
Shacharis:	7:45, 9:00 and 9:15 AM
Rabbi Hoffman's Pesachim Shiur - After Hashkama	
Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA):	9:40AM
Early Mincha:	1:30 PM
Rabbi Luban's Maseches Megillah Shiur – 4:00 PM	
Mincha:	4:50 PM
Shalosh Seudos speaker: Meir Kornfeld	
Maariv:	6:00 PM
Weekday Shacharis:	
Sunday-	7:15, 8:00 & 9:00 AM
Mon, Thur	6:20, 7:05 & 8AM
Tue, Weds Fri	6:30, 7:10 & 8 AM
Weekday Mincha/ Maariv:	5:05 PM
Weekday Maariv	7:30 & 10:10 PM
Rabbi Luban's She'eilos Uteshuvos Shiur: 9:10 PM Monday	
Tuesday Tehillim 9:50 PM	
DAF YOMI SCHEDULE	
Monday-Thursday after 7:30 Maariv. Friday after Maariv. Shabbos 8:15 AM or after Hashkama Schacharis. Sunday after 8 AM Minyan.	

MAZEL TOV
 ...to Rabbi and Rebbetzin Luban on the engagement of Avrohom Yitzchok to Lieba Bloom of Far Rockaway.
Rabbi and Mrs. Luban are honored to invite the entire Congregation to share their simcha at the vort, which will take place 7:00PM-10:30PM, Monday, February 1st, 2010, at the Bloom residence, 509 Cedar Hill Road, Far Rockaway, NY (718-868-0038).
 ...to Drora and Sheldon Waltuch on the birth of a boy to Avital and Chaim Strauchler
 ...to Marcia and Paul Pheffer on the birth of a girl in Israel to their children Rebecca and Yehuda Posh.

will try to set you up with someone who can help you. (This service ONLY provides the match-up, NOT the financial arrangement) For more info, please leave a message at 732-819-RIDE. Your message will be returned.

ORTHODOX FORUM

Motzei Shabbat, February 6, 2010, 8pm at Cong. Ohr Torah Rabbi Dr. Eddie Reichman Assoc. Prof., Albert Einstein College of Medicine Session Chair: Dr. Marc Hanfling.
If the Rambam Were Alive Today: Contemporary Medical Ethics through the Eyes of Maimonides
 Edward Reichman is an Associate Professor of Emergency Medicine and Associate Professor of Philosophy and History of Medicine at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine (AECOM) of Yeshiva University, where he teaches Jewish medical ethics. He received his rabbinic ordination from RIETS of Yeshiva University and writes and lectures widely in the field of Jewish medical ethics. He has authored numerous articles in contemporary halachic journals and books. Dr. Reichman will address a variety of topics, including preventative medicine, organ transplants, and genetic testing.

PURIM CARDS AVAILABLE FROM CHILDREN'S FUND

Purim Mishloach Manot Cards are available for purchase for \$2.00 each from the Children's Fund in Memory of Dina Eisner. All proceeds from the sale support a very worthy local charity. This past year, we have been able to provide the necessary financial assistance for student-shadows, tutoring, counseling, food vouchers and hachnasas kallah. To obtain the cards, send e-mail to: childrensfundhp@gmail.com or contact: Shoshana Diskind - (732) 572-7755, Tova Josefovitz (732) 572-9432 or Janice Lustiger - (732) 819-4919. We will be happy to deliver the cards to you.

NORPAC

Save the date - **NORPAC MISSION** to Washington Wed. May 12. Register at www.norpac.net

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.

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.

EMUNAH PLANS EXCITING EVENING

Please join EMUNAH on February 13 for an exciting evening. Zvi Bielski, son of Zus Bielski, hero of the movie Defiance will be speaking at the home of Rachel and Myron Gurell, 482 Lincoln Avenue at 8pm. Light refreshments, \$15.00 per person, sponsorships at all levels needed to defray the cost of the speaker. For more info, or to sponsor the event, please contact Rachel Gurell 732-777-0772, Sharon Hirt 732-777-0462 or Chaya Reinitz 732-777-1980

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Sholosh Seudos is co-sponsored by David & Marion Kornfeld in commemoration of the yahrzeit of David's mother, Ita bas Dovid Tzvi Z"L and Motti & Bonnie Schwartz in commemoration of the yahrzeit of Bonnie's mother, Nechama bas Mordechai Shlomo Halevi Z"L.

CONDOLENCES

Congregation Ohr Torah extends sincere condolences to Zina Freundlich on the recent loss of her mother, Shirley Streifler, Z"L.
May you be comforted amongst the mourners of Tzion and Yerushalayim.

TORAH TAPE

LIBRARY ANNOUNCEMENT

If you have lost your library card please contact Larry Greenspan at 732-501-5455 or 732-828-5642. Please do not take out tapes or CD's without swiping your library card.

FREE CPR COURSE

A free CPR/AED course will be offered at OT on Sat. night Feb. 13 Course is AHA Heartsaver AED Adult/Child certificate card available. Time: 7:30 - 10:30 PM. You must register in advance due to limited space respond to Ari Lewitter at lewitter@yahoo.com.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW SERVICES TO DEBUT

In memory of Suri Granek, two new services to assist the entire Highland Park/Edison Community.
 1. **RIDE HOTLINE** - If you're looking for a ride to or from anywhere in the USA, you can contact us at 732-819-RIDE, and we will try to put you in touch with someone already traveling to/from this location. Are you going out of town? Do you have extra space in your car? When you or a guest are coming/going out of town and are able to take a person or package, please do a chesed and call 732-819-RIDE. If possible, please give ample notice.
 2. **BABYSITTING HOTLINE** - If you are in need of a babysitter, please call 732-819-RIDE, and we

BARUCH HABA

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 February 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th. 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.

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

TABC ANNUAL DINNER

The Torah Academy of Bergen County (TABC) annual dinner is on Feb 21, 2010. At that time, the school will be honoring Barbara & Ken Strassman and Naomi & Neal Auman with Service Awards for their work in helping to make TABC accessible to boys from Highland Park and Edison. Please join TABC in honoring The Strassmans and The Aumans for their efforts on behalf of the community's high school boys. For more info or to have your name listed on the Scroll of Honor, please contact Mrs. Ceil Olivestone at 201-837-7696 x115 or visit the school's website at <http://www.tabc.org/static/dinner.asp>

ACTT

ACTT says THANK YOU! Thank you to all the sponsors and attendees for making the ACTT January 23rd event with Dr. Chaim Presby so successful and meaningful! To volunteer or for more info on ACTT, e-mail info@actt613.org, see the ACTT web-site: www.actt613.org, or call Jonathan Abrahams (732) 220-2946, Wendy Bar (732) 220-8765, Joe Friedman (732) 732-985-8014, Alice Gordon (732) 985-6848, Michael Lafond (732) 432-9860, Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762, or Aviva Siegel (732) 572-4408

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

FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS

-Rebbitzen Eichenstein will be having her Navi class on Sefer Tehillim, Sunday morning, Jan 31 at 10AM at Cong. Agudath Israel. There will not be class on Mon evening, Feb 1. 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 Wednesday morning, February 3.

-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. 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 sheimach 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.

SHOVAVIM SEMINARS FOR MARRIED MEN AND WOMEN

Shovavim seminars / marital refresher courses for married men and women will be held at Rabbi Horowitz's Shtieble (46th N. 8th Ave). Light refreshments will be served.

Women's courses will be given by Mrs. Rochel Wolf Wednesday Feb 3 (*Halalcha*), and Monday Feb 8 (*Shalom Bayis*) at 8:30 pm. RSVP to Hindy Horowitz 347-729-6615, Shira Shenkman 732-317-2508 or Hindy@nachashealth.org

Men's Rabbi Luban will give a two-part review of the laws of *Tahars Hamishpacha* for men on January 31st and February 10th. Maariv at 7:30 PM followed by the shiur at 7:45PM. The entire community is invited. RSVP to Dr. Eliot Kusnetz 908-208-9321, Mendel Eiserman 347-245-2549 or khalchassidim@gmail.com

HIGHLAND PARK JUNIOR NCSY

Winter Regional is quickly approaching! Regional is Feb 5th-7th (next shabbat!) in West Orange. To sign up, please go to njncsy.org. Please call or email us with any questions Tzvi (732) 991-2252 Gavi (732) 406-3744, or jrnscsyhp@gmail.com

EMUNAH

EMUNAH Purim cards are in! Please contact Sharon Hirt at 732-777-0462 or Sharon.Hirt@Pfizer.com. Although we have kept the cost at \$2.00 per card for many years, we have decided to increase the cost per card this year to \$2.25. During this difficult economy, this small increase DOES make a difference to the life of someone in need in Israel. We hope that you understand and that we can continue to count on your support.

ISRAELI ROCK FINDS JEWISH SPIRITUALITY

The *Mekor Chaim/Steinsaltz Ambassadors Program *and *Ahavas Achim *present *Israeli Rock Finds Jewish Spirituality on Tuesday, February 16, at 8pm. *Learn the Songs! Understand their Meaning! Over the past few years a new generation of Israeli musicians have undertaken a spiritual quest which they are expressing through their music. Traditional Judaism has become one of the ingredients of a very eclectic cultural outlook, openly expressed through music. Songs from artists such as Shuli Rand, Meir Banai, Arkadi Duchin, Yonatan and Aron Razel can be heard on mainstream Israeli radio stations, and are fast becoming popular in the United States and elsewhere. Please *RSVP to Rabbi Shmuel Greene at 732-485-7122 or rabbishmulie@steinsaltz.org.

RJJ

Rabbi Jacob Joseph School cordially invites you to attend its Annual Scholarship Dinner honoring Mr. and Mrs. Saul London, at The Pines Manor, Sunday February 14th.

COMEDY NIGHT AT CONG. POILE ZEDEK

On Saturday night, February 6th, at 8:00 PM, Congregation Poile Zedek will be hosting a Comedy Night with an upscale dairy buffet dinner and dessert, for the benefit of their outreach, educational, and community programs.

It is fitting that the featured performer of the Comedy Night fundraiser will be none other than comedian Ari Teman, the first recipient of the Jewish Federation of North America's "Jewish Community Hero of the Year" Award.

Tickets are \$36 per person in advance, \$45 at the door. Payment can be made online at www.poilezedek.org or mailed to Congregation Poile Zedek, c/o Dr. Robert Berkowitz, 34 Woodbridge Ave., Highland Park, NJ 08904. For further information call Myra Shrier at 732-572-2132.

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-Look for flyers that will be left in the Agudath, OE and OT; or

-Call or email me (732-213-7282; yonasonwolff@gmail.com)

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MAYANOT

Girls Night On

An open mike night for women, by women. Saturday night, February 6th, 2010 at 8 PM at Ma'ayanot High School, 1650 Palisade Avenue, Teaneck. Admission: \$15, Students \$10 (Performers receive \$5 off admission) Check out our website at girlsnighton.com Sponsored by the Ma'ayanot Parent Council

LOCAL ERUV

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

Shabbat Yitro	
Candlelighting	5:02 PM
Mincha/ Maariv	5:10 PM

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