



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi

Robert Kreitman - President

Parshas Metzora

5 Nissan 5771

April 9, 2011

Shabbos Candlelighting:	7:11PM
Mincha:	7:20PM
<i>Please Note: There will be an additional early Mincha Minyan at 6:30 PM next Friday</i>	
Shacharis:	7:45, 9:00 & 9:15 AM
Rabbi Hoffman's Shiur on Minchas Chinuch	
After Hashkama	
Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA):	9:44 AM
Rabbi Luban's Maseches Rosh Hashana Shiur - 6:15 PM	
Mincha:	1:45 & 7:05 PM
Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Robert Kreitman	
Maariv:	8:15 PM
Weekday Shacharis:	
Sun	7:00, 8 & 9AM
Mon & Thurs	6:20, 7:05, 8 AM
Tues, Weds, & Fri	6:30, 7:10, 8 AM
Weekday Mincha/ Maariv:	7:20PM
Weekday Maariv	10:10 PM
.Rabbi Luban's Shailos Uteshuvos Shiur:	
Monday Night 9:10 PM	
Tuesday Tehillim – 9:50 PM	
DAF YOMI SCHEDULE	
Continuing through Oct., on Shabbos the Daf Yomi will meet one hour before Mincha - not 8:15am nor after Hashkama	

MAZEL TOV
 ...to Nillie and David Goldman who are celebrating the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Tali, this Sunday April 10th. Mazel Tov to the entire Goldman and Carmel families. A special welcome to Tali's Savta and Grandma who are visiting with us this Shabbos in honor of Tali's Bat Mitzvah.
 ...to Breindy and Neal Pomper on the birth of a son to their children Naomi and Shlomo Trachtenberg of Ramat Eshkol, Israel.
 ...to Shayna and Craig Prupis on the birth of a son to their children Hilla and Yaacov Prupis in Israel. Mazel Tov to the entire family.

at 732-572-1188. Registration is limited and filling up fast.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

YAD LEAH CLOTHING DRIVE

As you do your Pesach cleaning, please bear in mind that a Yad Leah clothing drive will Be'ezras Hashem take place Sunday May 15th from 9:30AM until 12:30PM at Congregation Ohav Emeth (O.E.), main entrance on Dennison Ave. thru the parking lot. Please donate clothing in good wearable condition only. Bring all in tied garbage bags. Yad Leah will distribute to over 15 communities throughout Israel. An \$18 donation is requested per donor (checks made out to American Friends of Yad Leah) to help defray the shipping & processing costs. Receipts will be provided by Yad Leah for the money & clothing (&/or miscellaneous items) contributed. If anyone has any questions or would like to volunteer or sponsor shipping costs, please call Mordy Brill at 732-819-8351 or e-mail at mordb@msn.com.

RPRY GIRLS BASKETBALL

Mazel Tov to the RPRY Girls basketball team on winning the Yeshiva League Championship. The girls went 13-0 on the year.

Players:

Nikki Bick, Rachel Beyer, Ronit Langer, Dani Berlin, Ally Orgel, Juliet Matthew, Shoshie Schwartz, Serena Shmulewitz, Shana Gershbaum, Mia Lang, Shira Salomon, Allisa Felder, Julia Labovitz

Managers:

Noya Hanoch, Eliana Moss, Sara Lefkowitz

Coaches:

Evan Orgel, Sam Berlin, Sara Stern

SEEKING COUNSELORS

We have a wonderful Israel opportunity to share with you – If you know a 19-25 year old who lives in Middlesex County, works well with 8-12 year olds and peers, and would like to serve as a counselor in our Partnership 2000 partner city, Arad, Israel from June 26-July 23 – join KEFIADA! The deadline date is APRIL 15. Please email or call with any questions. Gabriela Sadote Sleppin Director, Jewish Community Relations Council Jewish Federation of Greater Middlesex County 230 Old Bridge Turnpike, South River, NJ 08882 (732) 588 1815 gsadote@jif-gmc.org Visit [JewishMiddlesex.org](http://www.JewishMiddlesex.org)

YA'AD JUNIORS DROP-IN

Every Tuesday, from 6:45-8:30 p.m., teens converge on Ahavas Achim to tutor and students from 3rd through 8th grade. Light refreshments are served free of charge; pizza cost \$1.50 a slice. Should you wish to volunteer as a parent or a teen or are interested in sponsorship opportunities, please contact Rabbi Becker at rabbidbecker@yahoo.com or 310-625-3481.

YA'AD TRIP TO LIBERTY SCIENCE CENTER

YA'AD will take a trip to Liberty Science Center this Sunday, April 10. This program is for ages 3 and up. Drop your kids off at Ahavas Achim at 12:00 noon; pick-up from Ahavas Achim at 5pm. Cost: \$35 per person if you RSVP to Rabbi Becker at 310-625-3481 or rabbidbecker@yahoo.com TODAY.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is jointly sponsored by Moish and Susie Wiesel in memory of Susie's sister, Judy Lefkowitz - Sara Basha Bas Yitzchak and by Michael and Penny Kaplan in memory of Michael's father Baruch Leib ben Yaakov Yissachor.

MECHIRAS CHOMETZ/MAOS CHITIM

-Rabbi Luban is now available for Mechiras Chometz.

-Please make out Maos Chitim checks to Ohr Torah and write Maos Chitim in memo section.

WINE FOR PESACH

As in previous years Ohr Torah has arranged for the purchase of wine for Passover.

Please choose the wine at Pino's and pay Pino's (checks should be made out to Pino's). Pino's will donate 20% of your purchase to Ohr Torah. Please call Terry Walzman at 732-572-1985 so that we can assure that OT gets credit for your purchase.

CHILDRENS PROGRAMS

-We will be heading on Sunday 4/10 to the NJ Devils vs Boston Bruins hockey game leaving by bus from the Shul at 2:00 PM and returning to OT at 6:45 PM. This is fan appreciation day at the Prudential Center, home of the NJ Devils, and there will be lots of giveaways. For future events, contact Mayer Berg at (732) 572-3429 or sign up online at ohrtorah.net

NUSACH HATFILOH COURSE

Congregation Ohr Torah is pleased to present a course in Nusach Hatfiloh through the Belz School of Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary at Yeshiva University. The course will be presented at 10 AM on Sundays May 1st, 15th, 22nd and June 5th at the Shul. A course certificate will be presented to those who attend all 4 sessions. You can register for this course on line at Ohrtorah.net or call Bayrish Schreiber

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 introduce yourself.

KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP

Kiddush sponsorship is available for April 30th and May 7th, 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 732-759-8558. For more info. Call Moish at 732-759-8070 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 ludeejl@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 mounted on the wall in the hallway.
 PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR MORE OHR TORAH INFORMATION**

TORAH BASKETBALL CAMP SUMMER 2011

This summer, Rabbi Hillel Zinkin and Coach Zack Goldman (RPRY Basketball) will be running their 4th Annual Torah Sports Day Camp for boys entering grades 2 - 9. The camp will run for three weeks, August 8 -26. Camp registration is now open, and the Early Bird discount ends on Friday, April 15th. The camp includes: basketball skills clinic, league and inter-camp competition, guest star-players, amazing day trips, swimming, and fun torah learning. To register or inquire for further details, please contact Hillel Zinkin at 732-730-7984 or thezinkins@gmail.com

VISITING SOFER

The sofer will be at Judaica Gallery, 300 Raritan Avenue, this Sunday, April 10, 2011. Store hours are 10am to 5pm. Although walk-ins are welcome, it is helpful if you call 732-828-7722 and let us know you will be coming.

BIKUR CHOLIM OF RV NEEDS YOUR HELP

Please note, the need for volunteers has increased greatly over the last year. We urge you to please contact the organization with whatever resources you may have available. Contact: volunteers@bikurcholimrv.org . Hotline number: 1-732-572-7181

OE GUEST SPEAKER

OE has Rabbi Leibtag as a scholar in Residence this Shabbos. He will speak at the main minyan about "Between Kedusha, Tumah and Sh'china in Sefer Vayikra." At 4:30pm, he will have an advanced shiur at Danny and Zelda Wildman's home, 66 Hamlin Road. At 6pm, he will speak at OE on the topic of "the 'Real Story' of the Exodus-How and Why the Book is better than the Movie." At Shalosh Seudah, he will talk about: "Pesach in Sedom- Understanding 'Peshat' to Appreciate 'Drash'".

THE ROSENBERG HOLOCAUST HAGGADAH

Rabbi Dr. Bernhard Rosenberg, spiritual leader of Congregation Beth-El in Edison, NJ, and a well-known Holocaust educator who chairs the New York Board of Rabbis Holocaust Education Committee, has produced a PDF Holocaust Haggadah that can be downloaded FREE from the internet. It includes a full Hagaddah text in Hebrew and in English. A large selection of Readings, Poetry, Essays and songs. The Rosenberg holocaust Hagaddah produced in honor of Rabbi Rosenberg's parents who survived the Holocaust and his many family members who perished, can be accessed at holocausthaggadah.com.

PRE PESACH FOOD COLLECTION FOR CHARITY

If you would like to get rid of your chometz before Pesach, we are collecting all closed non perishable packages. The food will be distributed to the local food pantry and Tomchei Shabbos. You can leave it on our porch, 134 North Tenth Ave, Highland Park, NJ. If you have any questions feel free to contact us at 732 339-0908. Thank you. Avi and Nitza Bodlander.

WIN A SEDER FOR TEN!

Do you dream of simple seder preparations? Win a Complete Seder Meal for 10! Includes: Seder Meal for 10 from Glatt 27 Seder Plate, Appetizer, Soup, Four Sides, Choice of Main Dish, Cake Four Fantastic Bottles of Wine Beautiful Centerpiece from Robert's Florals Dessert from Sweets to Nuts Elegant Plastic 'China' for 10 Appetizer Plates, Dinner Plates, Soup Bowls, Silverware, Dessert Plates, Wine Cups, Water Cups, Napkins and Serving Pieces 1 Ticket: \$25 2 Tickets: \$36 5 Tickets: \$54 Raffle drawn April 11, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. To purchase tickets or for more information contact Moshe Aaron Yeshiva High School at: (732) 613-7460 info@mayhs.org www.mayhs.org

ACTT

The ACTT (Achieving Change through Torah) organization helps individuals succeed in making meaningful and lasting changes in their lives. The ACTT web-site, www.actt613.org, contains the audio of the shiurim from the ACTT program and the corresponding module packets. For more info, e-mail info@actt613.org or call Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762 or Aviva Siegel (732) 572-4408.

KEREN KOL KALLAH

Keren Kol Kallah - established to provide orphan and destitute kallahs in Israel with essential needs. Keren Kol Kallah has one main fund-raiser, a *gala Sheitel Sale*. Collection has begun for next year's sale. Sheitels can be dropped off by Aviva, 16 Edgemount Road, Edison. For more info, please see <http://www.kerenkolkallah.webs.com/> or contact Aviva Siegel (732) 572-4408

sieglmom@optonline.net.

NJCSY NEWS & EVENTS

Sign up online at njcsy.com for the 6 flags chol hamoed trip (Srs and Jrs- 6th-12th grades)!! There are limited spots on the bus, sign up right away to ensure a space!

Srs:

-Shabbat afternoon oneg at the Reich's house (17 Harrison) at 6pm. See you there!

-Sign up for spring regional tonight, at njcsy.com!! (May 12th-15th at Camp Morasha) The earlier you sign up, the easier it will be to get scholarships.

Srs:

-Sign up for spring regional tonight, at njcsy.com!! (May 26th-29th) The earlier you sign up, the easier it will be to get scholarships.

Please call or text with any questions Gavi 732.406.3744 tzvi 732. 991.2252

WOMEN'S GROUPS

-Rebbitzen Eichenstein's Tehillim and Parsha classes will resume after Pesach. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at 732-572-4408 sieglmom@optonline.net, Ricki Stern 732-828-6939 rickistern@yahoo.com.

-Mrs. Miri Cohen's ladies Parsha class will resume after Pesach on Wednesday, May 4, 2011.

-The Women's AMEN Group meets weekly on Sundays at 9:30 AM in a downstairs classroom at Congregation Ohr Torah. To participate in challah baking or saying Shir Hashirim in the zechus of a refuah shelaimah for Menachem Mordechai ben

Ophira, please contact E.J. Berman at 732-991-8090 or EJPartyworks@aol.com. -

-Tiferes, a Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation program for women, will be starting in the Edison / Highland Park community on Motzai Shabbos, May 7 at 10:00 PM; location to be announced. Tiferes members benefit from monthly inspirational DVDs by renowned speakers; practical ideas, inspiration, and tools to make ones home the place one wants it to be; and weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting. For more information or to join, please email Aviva sieglmom@optonline.net or Debbie Schneider 732-572-4713.

RABBI HOFFMAN'S SHIUR

Rabbi Hoffman's shiur on topics in Masechta Brochos meets on Wednesdays evenings at 8:30 pm at the Agudah. For more info or to be added to the e-mail list to receive notifications of weekly topics, please contact Russell Adler at radler@ebglaw.com

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

PARK MIKVAH

The Edison/Highland Park Mikvah will be open 9-11pm Sun-Thurs evening. Friday nights are by appointment only, and must be made by Thurs night at 8:30pm. Saturday night April 9th, the mikvah will open from 9-10:30pm. Fee \$15. OUT OF HOURS: additional \$20. You must arrive and leave during regular mikvah hours.

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.

LOCAL ERUV

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

Shabbos Acharei Mot	
Candlelighting	7:18 PM
Mincha	6:30 & 7:25 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.