



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi

Robert Kreitman - President

Parsha Ki Tisa

Adar 20, 5773

March 2, 2013

Candlelighting: 5:31 PM
Mincha: 5:40 PM
Shacharis: 7:45, 9:00 & 9:15 AM
Rabbi Hoffman's Shiur –after Hashkama
Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA): 9:19 AM
Rabbi Luban's Gemara Sotah Shiur: 4:35
Mincha: 1:30 & 5:25 PM
Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Avrumi Ravitz
Maariv: 6:35 PM
Weekday Shacharis:
Sunday: 7:15, 8 & 9 AM
 There will be an early Mincha Minyan on Sunday @12:45 to accommodate those going to the Shul dinner.
Mon. & Thurs. 6:20, 7:05, 8 AM
Tues., Wed., Fri. 6:30, 7:10, 8 AM
Weekday Mincha/ Maariv: 5:40 PM

Weekday Maariv 7:30 & 10:10 PM
Rabbi Luban's Sheilos U'teshuvos Shiur:
 Monday- 9:10
 Tuesday Tehillim: 9:50 PM
Daf Yomi Winter Schedule
 Mon.-Thurs: After 7:30 Maariv. Friday: After Kabbalas Shabbos. Shabbos: 8:15 or after Hashkama Minyan. Sun: After 8 AM Shacharis

KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP

Kiddush sponsorship is available for March 9th & 16th and April 6th, 13th & 20th To sponsor a Kiddush or reserve the Kiddush room, please contact Mel Barenholtz in person, or 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 8848 (cell), reenagreenspan@yahoo.com or Gene Wasserman 732-397-0130 or genew@compugene.com or 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 contact Barry Siegel siegeldad@optonline.net.

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.

FUNERAL/ SHIVA ANNOUNCEMENTS

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For funeral and Shiva email and phone mail announcements contact Reena Greenspan 732-828-5642 (home) 732-678-8848 (cell), reenagreenspan@yahoo.com or Gene Wasserman 732-397-0130 or genew@compugene.com

MAZEL TOV

...to Sue and Alan Redlich & Breindy and Neal Pomper on the forthcoming marriage of their children Kivi and Chani. Mazel Tov to the entire Neuman, Redlich and Pomper families.

... to Barbara and David Listokin on the engagement of their daughter Miri to David Jakus son of Drs. Susan and Jonathan Jakus of Riverdale NY. Mazel Tov to siblings Yair, Stephanie, Ami and Ezra Listokin and Siona, Perry and Joshua Smith, and to the entire Jakus Family.

...to Caren and Alan Heideman on the engagement of their son Moshe to Shira Beleck of Baltimore. Mazel Tov to his siblings Yossi, Soochi, Aharon and Doni, and to Shira's parents Mordechai Beleck, Karen Beleck and all her siblings.

...to Toby and Michael Eleff on the engagement of their daughter, Didi, to Yehudah Susskind of Flatbush. *The Vort will take place on Motzoei Shabbos, March 2, at the Eleff home, 20 Edgemount Road, from 8:30 to 11:30 PM.*

...to Leale Ravitz on her engagement to Joshua Cohen of Parsippany, NJ. Mazel Tov to Miriam Ravitz, and to Josh's mother, Gloria Cohen, and to the entire Ravitz and Cohen families.

...to Josh Caplan on being honored as Ahavas Yisrael's Service Awardee at this year's 4th annual journal breakfast.

...to Rabbi and Mrs. Yaakov Luban on being honored this Sunday, for thirty years of service to Congregation Ohr Torah.

OHR TORAH ANNUAL YOUTH RAFFLE

There are only 3 tickets left in the raffle drawing. If you have children, grandchildren, relatives, or friends who use the OT youth groups, please help and show your support of the Ohr Torah's youth groups by purchasing raffle ticket(s). The cost of the tickets are one for \$36, two for \$70, or 3 for \$100. The drawing will be held at the Shul dinner this Sunday evening. Please contact Barry Siegel, Charlie Gershbaum, Jeff Klein, Mayer Berg or Robert Kreitman to purchase tickets. All proceeds support the OT Youth programs.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush is sponsored by Sue and Alan Redlich in honor of Kivi's Aufruf and the Yahrzeit of Alan's father, Reuven ben Shlomo.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Salosh Seudos is co-sponsored by:

-the Ravitz family in memory of the Yahrzeit of Danny Ravitz, Moshe David be Rav Meir Zalaman A"H.

-Susie and Barry Wolf to commemorate the Yartzeits of their mothers, Rae Wolf, Rachal bat Moshe Zelig, and Rebbetzin Eugenie Poleyeff, Batsheva bat Harav Yaakov.

SPECIAL SHIUR FOR WOMEN

There is a special shiur for women, this Shabbat, hosted by Dr. Aryeh and Shelly Zinkin. Rabbi Ash will speak about the following topic: "Ice Cream at Shalosh Seudos: How Long Do I Have to Wait Between Eating Meat and Dairy?"

The Shiur will take place at 471 Harrison Ave, at 4:00 PM.

CONDOLENCES

We regret to inform you that Mr. Yossi Carmel, father of Nillie Goldman, has passed away. The funeral was held on Friday. Shiva will be held at the Goldman home, 484 Harrison Ave, Highland Park until 9 AM on Thursday, March 7th.

May you be comforted among the mourners of Tzion and Yerushalayim.

PRE-PESACH SHIUR

Rabbi Luban's pre-Pesach Shiur for women will take place Wednesday March 13 at 8:00pm in the Bais Medrash.

SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

-Robert & Riki Krietman in memory of Zippy Rapps father Rabbi Chaim Zev Bomzer Z"L
 -Noa and Judah Elbaum in honor of thier children Morielle Shoshana, Eitiel Shmuel Simcha and Yaakov Elad

-Barry & Hinda Herman in memory of Zippy Rapps father Rabbi Chaim Zev Bomzer Z"L
 -Michael and Penny Kaplan in memory of Zippy Rapps father Rabbi Chaim Zev Bomzer Z"L

-David and Nillie Goldman in memory of Eddie Lowinger's father Alex Lowinger Z"L
 -Shirley Elbaum in memory of Gerald Elbaum Z"L

-Tzvi & Sarah Himer in memory of Sheldon Berman Z"L

-Tzvi & Sarah Himer in honor of Emily Himer

-Tzvi & Sarah Himer in celebration of the Ravens winning the Superbowl

SHAIMOS COLLECTION

Congregation Ohr Torah will hold this year's community Shaimos Collection this Sunday, March 3 from 9:30 AM to 5:00 PM. The cost is \$20 per large garbage sized bags. Please make all checks out to Congregation Ohr

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 PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR MORE OHR TORAH INFORMATION**

Torah. There will also be a used Seforim sale at this time, Great Bargains!!! Come find your hard-to-find and/or out-of-print books and stock up your home libraries A Jewish book sale with Hebrew/English Seforim & books and Children's books (mostly used & some new) will be held at Ohr Torah. You will find bargains galore. Date: Sunday, March 3, Hours

OHR TORAH YOUTH EVENTS

-On Sunday March 17th at 10 AM Ohr Torah will be going by bus from the Shul to the Big Apple Circus located adjacent to TD Bank Ballpark in Bridgewater, NJ. We will return to the Shul at 2 PM. This program is for children and parents. All children six and under must be accompanied by an adult. The show entitled "Dream Big" includes acrobats, a juggler and a magician—and, of course, Grandma, who is making this, her 10th season, her last season. Plus, beautiful Arabian horses, dogs and even a porcupine bring the tradition of animals to the Big Apple Circus. Cost is \$25 per person including transportation for all checks received by Sunday March 10th. After that date, the price goes up to \$30 per person. - Let the OT Youth Program entertain your children while you clean for Pesach. Checks can be dropped off at the home of Mayer Berg @15 Edgemount Road in Edison. Additionally, I will be available to collect checks in person at Ohr Torah on Sunday March 10th after the 9 AM minyan starting at 9:30 AM until 10:30 AM). This promises to be a blast!

-Join Ohr Torah Youth on Thursday March 28th (Chol Hamoed Pesach) at 10:30am to see "Sesame Street Live - Elmo Makes Music" at the State Theater in New Brunswick. Children must be accompanied by a parent. Tickets are \$18 per person, children under 12 months are free with a "lap voucher." Reservations will be taken only until March 14th so register now with a check to guarantee seating. Also specify if you need a lap voucher. For more information contact Elie Salomon at eliesalomon@gmail.com or call 732-325-9626.

-Any questions...contact Mayer on his personal cell at (732) 207-9992 or email marcberg@verizon.net. Chag Purim Sameach to all!

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

ORTHODOX FORUM OF EDISON/HIGHLAND PARK

The Orthodox Forum of Edison/Highland Park will present Dr. Moshe Sherman on the topic "Inheritance or Meritocracy in Religious Authority" on Motzei Shabbat March 2, 2013, 8:00 pm at Congregation Ohav Emeth, 415 Raritan Ave., Highland Park. Dr. Sherman teaches Modern Jewish History and is Associate Dean at the Graduate School of Jewish Studies, Touro College. He is author of numerous articles and books

including, "Orthodox Judaism in America: A Biographical Dictionary and Sourcebook" and is editor of "Sefer Kavod HaRav: Festschrift in Honor of the 80th Birthday of Rabbi Dr. Joseph B. Soloveitchik". Dr. Sherman received his Ph.D. from the Bernard Revel Graduate School, Yeshiva University. Claims of succession by the children of rabbis, roshei yeshiva and Hasidic rebbes have been an occasional phenomenon in Jewish life, at times sparking considerable controversy. Dr. Sherman will present an historical exploration of family members (generally sons and sons-in-law) who claimed the right to inherit their father's position and the responses of Jewish communities through the centuries regarding these claims.

SHOVAVIM SHIUR

There will be a Taharas Hamishpacha review shiur given by Rebbetzin Aviva Wasser this week on Monday evening, March 4th at 8PM at Congregation Ohav Emeth. For more information, please call Lynn Hanfling 732-777-0225 or Adina Pruzansky 732-339-0780

MISHMAR

RPRY Mishmar learning program is held at RPRY every Motzei Shabbat @ 8:00 Please bring your own seforim. Cost is still only \$3.00 which includes, pizza, donuts, prizes and raffles

ACTT

The ACTT (Achieving Change through Torah) organization helps individuals succeed in making meaningful and lasting changes in their lives. The current ACTT module is "Bitachon – Trust in Hashem". Source book: Rabbi Eliezer Parkoff's "Chizuk – A Primer on Bitachon, Coping, and Hope". 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.

RPRY

Dr. Peretz Hochbaum, the new RTMA principal, will be meeting parents this Tuesday night, March 5, at 7:30 PM at the Goldberg home, 33 North 9th Ave., Highland Park. For more information, please call Mara Margolin 732-777-1589.

NORPAC 2013

Join us on our annual Mission to Washington event to support the U.S.-Israel relationship on Wednesday, May 8th 2013. On a single-day trip you will meet with Members of Congress and their staff, and share your concerns with them about foreign aid to Israel, Iran sanctions, security cooperation, Iron Dome and more. Help us make a difference once again! Buses leave for Washington from our area at 6:30 AM and return between 9-10 PM. There will be briefings on the bus. Glatt Kosher breakfast, lunch and dinner will be provided. Register now for the early bird discount (ending mid March): www.norpac.net or call (201) 788-5133 Adults - \$125 Students - \$75 (must be over 12. Those under 18 must be accompanied by Parent or legal guardian) contact Marc Hanfling docdad@aol.com, Yosef Schreiber or Barry Wolf for more info.

YOUNG ISRAEL OF EAST BRUNSWICK

Sunday, March 17th at 3pm. Uncle Moishy concert at the Young Israel of East Brunswick, 193 Dunhams Corner Road. To purchase tickets, go to yieb.org/uncle-moishy, or call 732.254.1860. For more information, go to yiebulanmoishyconcert@gmail.com

BIKUR CHOLIM

-If you're interested in visiting people in their homes, or in Nursing Homes, please contact Leslie Ostrin, Homebound Visitation Coordinator for Bikur Cholim of Raritan Valley: leslie.ostrin@gmail.com.

JFVS NEWS

We need you!! 1. The JFVS Young Leadership Professional Division is holding a Pre-Passover event to help unload and organize the Passover Food donations on Sunday, March 10 from 9am – 11am at the Gola Warehouse on 19 Cotters Lane in East Brunswick (off Ryders Lane on the corner of Elkin). This event is for Young Professionals (ages 20 – 40). There will be refreshments and time for socializing. Please RSVP to JFVS: [732-777-1940](tel:732-777-1940) or YoungLeadership@jfvs.org and let us know how many will be attending. 2. People are needed to help pack the Passover food on Wednesday, March 13 at 3PM at the Gola Warehouse (19 Cotters Lane, EB). Volunteers age 15 and up are welcome. Please RSVP to JFVS: [732-777-1940](tel:732-777-1940) or office@jfvs.org to let us know how many can volunteer. 3. DRIVERS desperately needed to help deliver Passover food to those in need throughout Middlesex County on Sunday, March 17 at 9am at the Gola Warehouse (19 Cotters Lane in EB). Please RSVP to JFVS: [732-777-1940](tel:732-777-1940) or office@jfvs.org.

NCSY

This week we will be having a shabbos afternoon oneig at 401 Montgomery st! Come enjoy friends, foosball, great food, and some torah. The oneig will start at 3:15pm and end at Mincha. BBQ and Bible is back in full swing, enjoy a delicious dinner on us, lots of familiar faces and explore the big Questions from sefer Beraishit. We are back to our regular Wednesday night 7:30PM - 9PM schedule.

HADASSAH

Hadassah's Hebrew Club for intermediate to advanced Hebrew speakers will meet on Sunday, March 3 at 11:00 a.m. We chat in Hebrew and read a short Hebrew story or article To find out where we are meeting in March, email Rachel Weintraub at rachel@weintraubworld.net. or call her at 732-819-9298.

FOR WOMEN

-Mrs. Leah Drillman's Shimiras Haloshon class will resume after Pesach. For more info, please call Ellen at 908-208-7144 or 732-777-6787. -Mrs. Miri Cohen's ladies Parsha class will resume after Pesach. -Rebbitzen Eichenstein's classes for women only: Tefillah class on Sunday, March 3 at 10:00 AM at Aguda shule; Parsha class on Monday, March 4 at 8:00 PM at Congregation Ohr Torah. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at [732-572-4408](tel:732-572-4408) siegelmom@optonline.net, Ricki Stern [732-828-6939](tel:732-828-6939) rickistern@yahoo.com. -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 re'ufah shelaimah for Menachem Mordechai ben Ophira, please contact E.J. Berman at 732-991-8090 or EJPartyworks@aol.com. - Collecting Sheitels: Keren Kol Kallah - established to provide orphan and destitute kallahs in Israel with essential needs. Donated custom sheitels, some brand-new, some gently worn, are sold to women in Israel who would not otherwise have

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the funds to buy a quality wig. All the money raised at the sale goes towards a hachnasas kallah fund which helps needy brides in Eretz Yisrael. Sheitels can be dropped off by Aviva, 16 Edgemount Road, Edison. For more info, please see contact Aviva Siegel (732) 572-4408 siegelmom@optonline.net

-Tiferes, a Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation program for women, will meet Motzai Shabbos, March 2 at 8:30 PM at the home of Aviva Siegel, 16 Edgemount Road, Edison, NJ. An inspirational DVD will be shown. Title: Pursuit of Happiness. Speakers: Rabbi Jonathan Rietti and Mrs. Seryl Berman. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are also available to Tiferes members. For more information or to become a member, please contact Aviva siegelmom@optonline.net or Debbie Schneider 732-572-4713. The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom, Malky Herzig.

-If anyone has any type of account at UNITY BANK you can do an easy mitzvah. You can designate the PARK MIKVAH to get a small percentage in charity from the bank with their UCARE program. If you have any type of account (or are considering opening an account at UNITY BANK) please tell them that you wish to designate the PARK MIKVAH as your UCARE charity. You will not have money taken from your account, rather the

bank gives a percentage to the charity. Please consider the PARK MIKVAH for this great mitzvah. For more information, please leave a message at [732-249-2411](tel:732-249-2411).

WOMEN'S YOM IYUN

Congregation Ahavas Achim is sponsoring a Women's Yom Iyun on April 7th. Nechama Price of Stern College will give two shiurim: 9:00 - 10:00 Description: The Rules of Staining for all Stages of Life
10:00 - 11:00 Brunch
11:00 - 12:00 Behind Closed Doors--Sexuality: A Torah Perspective. Advance reservations are requested; free babysitting will be provided.

Please RSVP to womensyomiyun@gmail.com by March 15th. If bringing children, let us know the number of children and their ages. Please mail your \$10 covert to:
Congregation Ahavas Achim
216 South First Avenue
Highland Park, NJ 08904

PARK MIKVAH HOURS

EXPANDED HOURS for MOTZAI SHABBOS: The Edison / Highland Park Mikvah will be open Sunday – Thursday from 8:30- 10:30 PM. Friday nights are by APPOINTMENT ONLY. Motzai Shabbos: March 2nd: 8:00 – 10:30 PM. You must arrive and leave during regular Mikvah hours. Fee is \$20. OUT OF HOURS: additional \$20. For

additional information or to schedule an appointment, please call 732-249-2411.

KEYLIM MIKVAH HOURS OF OPERATION

Ohr Torah Keylim Mikvah hours are, officially, 7:15 – 9:45 AM on Sunday mornings. Additionally, the Keylim Mikvah can be used when the Shul is open during Minyan hours. The Shul is locked (for security purposes) during non-Minyan hours. If you need special access, please speak to a Shul Gabbai. Please leave the area clean and neat.

LOCAL ERUV

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

Parashat VayaHei Pekude

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Mincha:	5:45 PM

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