

Congregation Ohr Torah Weekly Announcements

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban - Rabbi

Robert Kreitman - President September 14, 2013

Yom Kippur

Erev Yom Kippur (Friday September 13):

Slichos: 6:10, 6:50, 7:40 & 8:50 AM

Mincha: 2:00 & 3:30 PM Candlelighting: 6:51 PM Kol Nidrei: 6:55 PM Fast starts 7:09 PM

Yom Kippur (Shabbos September 14)

Shacharis (both minyanim): 8:30 AM

Yizkor not before 11:30 AM

Mincha: ~5:10 PM upstairs, 4:50

Ne'ilah: ~6:30 PM both minyanim

Fast Ends: 7:58 PM

Shacharis:

Sunday 7:15, 8 & 9 AM Monday 6:20, 7:05, 8 & 9 AM Tues & Wed 6:30, 7:10, 8 & 9 AM Mincha/Maariv: 6:50 PM Late Maariv: 10:10 PM

Erev Succos (Wednesday September 18)

Candlelighting: 6:43 PM

Eruv Tavshilin before candlelighting

Mincha: 6:50 PM

DAF YOMI

Kol Nidrei night -after Maariv Yom Kippur Day-after Mussaf. Sunday -after 8am Shacharis Monday-Tuesday-after Maariv

KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP

Kiddush sponsorship is available for the first day of Succos, Shabbos Chol Hamoed Succos, Shemini Atzeres and Shabbos Bereishis. 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 see the Ohr Torah website: www.ohrtorah.net

BUILDING DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIES

Contact Moshe Schneider at 732-618-4702 or at 8848 (cell), reenagreenspan@yahoo.comor Gene Wasserman 732-397-0130 or genew@compugene.com or mschneider19@vahoo.com.

TREE OF LIFE and/or YAHRZEIT PLAQUES

To dedicate a Yahrzeit Plaque or a Leaffor the Lobby EitzChayim Tree, please contact Moish Nat by sending a detaile 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/SeforimDedicationsof 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 RefuahShleimah for members of our shul and community.

FUNERAL/ SHIVA ANNOUNCEMENTS

3 Tishrei 5774

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 Lorraine and Abe Schwartzbard on the birth of a grandson (Noah Aaron). The parents are Jonathan and Kaley Schwartzbard of Overland Park, Kansas. ... to Hayley Faber Gerszberg on her marriage to Jeffrey Mark from Cedarhurst & Israel. Mazel Tov to Hayley's four children: Yakira, Tai, Ami & Yaron and to Jeffrey's six children: Daniella, Jordana, Simona, Arianna, Moshe and Sara Esther who are visiting here from Israel and to the entire Faber/Gerszberg/Mark families.

LULAV & ESROG ORDERING

When ordering from below, please mention Ohr Torah and OT will receive a donation for each sale.

a.. Barry Siegel & Family siegeldad@optonline.net, 732-572-4408

b.. Judaica Gallery,

judaicagallery@hotmail.com, 732-828-7722 Please see the flyers for additional info. All checks for Lulavim and Esrogim must be made out to the appropriate vendor and NOT Congregation Ohr Torah. No check made out to COT will be cashed.

YOM KIPPUR CANDLE LIGHTING **PROCEDURE**

It is preferable for a woman to accept Shabbos or Yom Tov at the time that candles are lit. However, in special cases of necessity, a woman who needs to continue with weekday activity may do so by making the following statement before lighting candles: "I am not accepting Shabbos or Yom Tov when I light candles." Shabbos or Yom Tov will then begin at sunset. As such, if a woman has difficulty walking to shul on Yom Kippur and prefers to go by car, she should recite the above formula. In such instances, she should not recite "Shehechiyanu" when lighting candles because once "Shehechiyanu" is recited, one may not do "melacha". Instead, "Shehechiyanu" should be recited with the congregation at the end of "Kol Nidrei". Women who accept Yom Kippur with candle lighting, should recite "Shehechiyanu" at that time, and not recite it again after Kol Nidrei with the congregation.

ISRAEL BOND COMMITTEE

The Israel Bond Committee urges ALL OT members to BOND with Israel for a Shana Tova. If there is an 80% participation the

Israel Bonds Committee will sponsor a Shul Kiddush.

CONDOLENCES

Congregation Ohr Torah extends deepest condolences to David Kornfeld on the loss of his brother, Yisroel Kornfeld Z"L, in Israel. May you be comforted among the mourners of Tzion and Jerusalem.

FUNERAL/SHIVA ANNOUNCEMENTS

After the exact wording in funeral/shiva announcements are sent in via email, ALWAYS follow up with a phone call to Greenspan at 732-678-8848 cell, and 732-828-5642 home. If the Greenspans are not home then Gene Wasserman at 732-397-0130. This is necessary as email is not monitored and announcements may not go out in timely fashion. Even if you have only partial information, send it in to be updated later.

OHR TORAH YOUTH PROGRAM

-Babysitting: Ohr Torah is proud to announce that once again we will provide complimentary babysitting for the Yomim Nora'im in the first classroom when coming downstairs using the main stairwell. This service is for all children ages 1-4. It is imperative that all children attending our babysitting are able to walk (and not need to be held) and that parents please ensure that our staff is aware of your seating location should we need to find you. We will have a seating chart available. Also please provide our staff with any baby wipes/diapers as needed. We will be unable to accommodate children who have not reached their first birthday.

The dates and hours for our babysitting service are as follows: Friday September 13, 2013 (Yom Kippur night): 6:45 PM to 9:45 PM

-On Sunday night September 22nd from 6PM to 8PM at the RPRY Succah, Ohr Torah will host Dinner in the Succah including a Simchat Beit Hashoeva BBQ catered by Park Place for all children, teenagers, parents and grandparents at the RPRY Succah. Not only will we enjoy hamburgers, hot dogs, cole slaw, potato salad and more but we will also be able to sing and dance to live music by the Avi Maza Orchestra in the Succah as well. While there is no cover charge to attend this program, we are soliciting sponsors at the cost of \$36 per member family or \$10 per individual sponsor. If you would like to be a sponsor please contact Mayer Berg or Ami Avraham as soon as

possible via email: marcgberg@verizon.net or ami316@gmail.com.

-On Thursday night September 26th from 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM, Ohr Torah will host its Third Annual Childrens Hakafot in the Kiddush Room. Israeli flags and song sheets will be provided as we dance with the Torah to usher in the start of Simchat Torah. In addition, a light pareve dinner will be provided for children and their parents including bagels, tuna and egg salad and cupcakes for dessert! Candy bags will be handed out at the Shul Hakafot later that evening. There is no registration necessary...just come and enjoy! In addition there will be a Youth Program on Shmini Atzeret, Thursday September 26th starting at 10 AM however there will be no program on Simchat Torah. We will resume on Shabbat September 28th at 10 AM. -The COT Youth Department extends a Gmar Tov to all.

Any questions...contact Mayer Berg at marcgberg@verizon.net.

CHAI LIFELINE SHABBATON

After a one-year hiatus, the Edison-Highland Park community will once again be welcoming approximately thirty (between the ages of 7 & 15 years old) and staff from Chai Lifeline for a weekend retreat (October 19). Our Shabbaton, in which community boys become "buddies" the Chai Lifeline kids and an inspirational community-wide Seudah Shlishit is held at OT, has twice now been recognized internationally as one best shabbatons of the year. It provides the opportunity for kids in a very difficult situation to forget their troubles for a weekend and enjoy themselves with old friends and new "buddies." It also provides their families with much-needed respite.

In past years, the Shabbaton was subsidized by a small number of individuals. Unfortunately, we no longer have access to those funds, and must reach out to the community at large. We need to raise another \$7,000 to cover the Shabbaton. Please sponsor or contribute today (all contributions will be displayed on a recognition card):

- \$ 1,000 Sponsor Shabbat lunch
- \$ 500 Sponsor Seudah Shlisit
- \$ 360 Sponsor a child for the weekend
- \$ 180 Sponsor Saturday night Event
- \$ 180 Contributor

Checks should be made out to "Chai Lifeline" and mailed to David Waizer, 53 North 7th Ave, Highland Park, NJ 08904.

Teens from Highland Park/Edison who would like to volunteer should contact Barbara Edery at barbaraedery@gmail.com. This event qualifies for chesed hours and letters can be provided upon request."

RETIREE LUNCH AND LEARN

Come join us to enjoy a staple of old time Jewish Comedy. How many of you remember Gertrude Berg aka Mollie Goldberg? This is not just a story of one influential woman, but a wondrous journey of discovery of a time that laid the groundwork for the present. This video includes interviews with Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, actor Ed Asner and many other well known personalities. Date: Wednesday, Oct 16, 2013 Time: 12:00 noon Location: Cong Ohr TorahThe program will include a light lunch followed by the video, dessert and socializing. Those who would like to see one of the Mollie Goldberg TV episodes and understand just why Mollie was universally acclaimed by all ethnic groups can stay awhile longer and enjoy the second "dessert. "There will be a charge of \$10 to help defray the cost of the meal. RSVP to Bella blerner18@optonline.net or 732 317-1786 Mildred 732 572-1712 Or Marcia ppheffer@verizon.net or732 572-5998

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS MEI GARDEN NO LONGER KOSHER

The Mei Garden restaurant on Raritan Avenue is under new management and no longer under the supervision of the Vaad Harabbonim of Raritan Valley.

NECHAMACOMFORT

Then entire Congregation is invited to a Parlor Meeting and Community Awareness Event to learn about an incredibly important organization, NechamaComfort. The event will take place Monday, October 14 at the Kreitman home at 8:00 PM sharp.

CHARITY FUND FOR THE BLIND 2013

For the past 10 years I have been appealing to you for funds to assist the blind in Jerusalem. The Charity Fund for the Blind is an organization that was started by Aliza Goldstein about 25 years ago. The fund has no paid employees and zero overhead. For many years of its existence it was funded by Aliza and her immediate family. Aliza, accompanied by her husband Yehuda, a retired Hebrew University Professor of Physics, visit these needy blind persons referred to her, in their homes and personally monitors and ascertains their most pressing needs. Whether it be for medicines, food, a new pair of shoes for a family member, a dress for a young lady, etc., they go to the store, purchase these items and deliver them.

exceeded Aliza's ability to cover them with her personal resources, she asked me if I could assist her which I have been doing for these many years during chodesh Elul. I appeal to you to assist Aliza in doing this charitable work.

In the merit of your act of tzedakah, may Hashem Yitbarach bless you and your family with good health and success in the coming year. Thank you again for your assistance. Tizku I'mitzvot With warmest wishes, Bella Lerner P.S. Please make your checks payable to Ohr Torah Gemach Fund and include the words Charity Fund for the Blind on the memo line and mail your check in the enclosed self-addressed envelope.

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RPRY RAFFLE FOR JEWISH EDUCATION FOR 2013

RPRY is having its annual raffle to help support Jewish Education. Tickets are 1 @ \$36 or \$3 @ \$100. The grand prize is 2 tickets to Israel. The drawing is 10/8. Please see OT ticket sellers, Josh Caplan, Barry Siegel, Leeor Jerushalmy or Brian Dube. Thanks for your support of Jewish Education

RPRY FUNDRAISING PROJECT

RPRY PTA is partnering with ShoeBox Recycling, a for-profit recycler of shoes. We are collecting used, but still wearable pairs of men's, women's and kid's shoes. The PTA earns some money as we recycle as many pairs of shoes as possible. Please drop off your used shoes at RPRY, placing them into the ShoeBox Recycling box that is located in the school lobby next to the office. Thank you and wishing you and your families a Happy and Healthy Sweet New Year. Ariella Schachter -RPRY PTA President

ORTHODOX FORUM:

Navigating through Today's Dating Maze
The Orthodox Forum of Edison/Highland Park
presents Dr. Efrat Sobolofsky on
Saturday Night, Oct 5, 8:45 pm at Ohav Emeth on
ways we can help those looking for their bashert.
Dr. Efrat Sobolofsky is the Dir of YUConnects, a
project of the Center for the Jewish Future (CJF)
of Yeshiva University. She resides in in
Bergenfield, NJ, with her husband Rabbi Zvi
Sobolofsky, Rosh Yeshiva at Yeshiva University
and Rabbi of Congregation Ohr HaTorah. The
program is free of charge. The Orthodox Forum
gladly accepts season sponsorships, as well as
program sponsorships. For more info
email hpedisonorthodoxforum@gmail.com.

MEKOR CHAIM/STEINSALTZ AMBASSADORS

Welcome to the new Mekor Chaim/Steinsaltz Ambassadors, Ariel Odes and Amichai Bauer, and join the entire community in a Simchat Beit Hosheava, the traditional Sukkot party that brings unity and joy, coordinated by the Mekor Chaim /Steinsaltz Ambassadors program and RPRY at the RPRY Sukkah on Tuesday, Sept 24, starting6PM. Food, dancing, joy and happiness! All ages are welcome! Contact Rabbi Shmulie Greene at rabbishmulie@steinsaltz.org for more info and sponsorship opportunities

DONATE CHAI TO CNJKIDS

Please consider making a contribution of at least \$18 to CNJKIDS. Checks made payable to CNJKIDS may be sent to 611 S.

1st Avenue, Highland Park, NJ08904. To make a monthly or annual contribution to CNJKIDS, please donate online at www.cnjkids.org. Your contribution will be tax deductible to the extent permitted by law. E-mail any questions to cnjkids@gmail.com.

EMUNAH / HP ANNUAL GARAGE SALE DAY

Emunah is joining Highland Park for their annual township wide garage sale on Sunday, Oct 6 from 9AM to 6 PM. It will be held at Adrienne Orani's home, 292 North 5thAve, Highland Park. Please look through your home and feel free to donate anything and everything to make this event a success. We are looking for all sorts of items including furniture, bicycles, glassware, dishes, picture frames, Judaica, etc... Now is the time to clean out your home of all those unwanted gifts and used items. For drop off info, which will begin after Sept 30, please call Sue Redlich at 732-558-

4917. We welcome volunteers throughout the day. Please call Sue to be assigned a 2 hour time slot. Chessed hours can also be provided to students.

<u>ACTT</u>

(Achieving Change Through Torah) program, now in its 8th year, helps individuals succeed in making meaningful and lasting changes in their lives. The source book for the entire year is: Step by Step compiled by Rabbi Dovid Weinberger. See the ACTT web-site, www.actt613.org, for the current Learning Schedule (Modules page) and for all the event audio presentations. For more info, e-mail info@actt613.org or call Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762.

VOLUNTEER FOR CNJKIDS

Every Jewish K-8 day school in our geographic area has an open invitation to partner with Central New Jersey Kehilot Investing in Day Schools, Inc. If you are interested in volunteering to help mitigate future tuition increases at local Jewish K-8 day schools that have agreed to partner with CNJKIDS, please send an e-mail with your name, e-mail address, and phone number to cnikids@qmail.com.

BIKUR CHOLIM OF RARITAN VALLEY

- -Bikur Cholim has received a donation of an adult powered wheelchair. We are looking for someone who can use it. If you are interested or know someone in need of a power wheelchair, please contact Sharon Glaser
- at sharonnglaser@gmail.com
- -Bikur Cholim is looking for men who are able to go to Robert Wood Johnson Hospital on Chol haMoed Sukkos to bring Arba Minim to the Jewish patients bedside. Bikur Cholim will supply the Arba Minim

Anyone who is able to do this can contact Mrs. Ronnie Shilcrat on (732) 690-7193 or by email volunteers@bikurcholimrv.org.

NJ YACHAD SUPPORT GROUP

NJ Yachad, in partnership with the Jewish Federation of Middlesex County, is proud to offer a monthly parent support group for families who have children with special needs. For more info please contact Chani Herrmann atherrmann@ou.org.

MA'AYANOT YESHIVA HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

Ma'ayanot Yeshiva High School for Girls invites all 8th grade girls and their parents to our Open House on Sunday, Oct 20th. Registration at 12:30 pm program to begin at 1 pm. You may preregister on our website: www.maayanot.org. Please contact our Dir of Admissions, Mrs. Nina Bieler, at 201-833-4307, ext. 255 with any questions. Ma'ayanot is located at 1650 Palisade Ave in Teaneck, NJ.

FOR WOMEN

- -- Mrs. Miri Cohen's ladies Parsha class will resume in the fall.
- -Rebbitzen Eichenstein's classes for women only: Tefillah class and Parsha class will resume after the Yomim Tovim. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at 732-572-

- 4408 <u>siegelmom@optonline.net</u>, Ricki Stern <u>732-828-6939 rickistern@yahoo.com</u>
- -Mrs. Leah Drillman's Shimiras Haloshon class for women will resume after the Yomim Tovim. For more info, please call Ellen at 201-410-1893 or 732-777-6787.
- The Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation presents "Outside the Camp". Chol Hamoed Sukkos, Monday evening, Sepy 23, 8PM, at Cong Ohr Torah for women and girls. Suggested donation: \$10. For more info, please call Debbie 732-572-4713.
- -- The Women's AMEN Group meets weekly on Sundays at 9:30 AM in a downstairs classroom at Cong Ohr Torah. The group meets in the zechus of a refuah shelaimah for Menachem Mordechai ben Ophira and other Cholim in the community. -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 the funds to buy a quality wig. All 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 Rd, Edison. For more info, please see contact Aviva Siegel (732) 572-4408siegelmom@optonline.net -Tiferes, a Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation program for women has 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.

SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT GROUP

Please join (or refer a friend to) the Parent Support Group for parents of the children with special needs. This group is cosponsored by Yachad and the Jewish Federation of Middlesex County and is intended solely for parents of the children with special needs. There is no fee and the group meets monthly on Sunday evenings. Please contact Emile Berk (emile.berk@gmail.com) for further details or to learn more.

EMPLOYMENT NETWORK OF RARITAN VALLEY

Looking for work? We can help. Go to www.ENRV.org or contact Bob Lansey at ENRVInfo@gmail.com. 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 info to ENRVInfo@gmail.com

ISRAEL MISSION

Ahavas Achim invites you to join the Goldberg and Schilowitz families on our 12th annual Israel Mission, from January 15-27, 2014. The mission will include roundtrip non-stop flights on El Al Israel Airlines from Newark, 8 nights at the King Solomon Hotel, 2 nights at the Carlton in Tel Aviv, 3 day touring excursion with experienced guides, full Israeli breakfast daily, dinners in Tel Aviv, Friday night and Shabbat lunch on both Shabbatot, tips, transfers, and handling. The cost per person (based on double occupancy) is \$2099 plus airport tax and fuel surcharge (currently \$689). Registration is available on a first come, first serve basis with a deposit of \$150 per person by Monday, Oct 7. To register, visit the mission website

atwww.arieltours.com/aamission. Questions can be directed to aamission@arieltours.com

PARK MIKVAH

The Edison / Highland Park Mikvah will be open Sunday - Thursday from 9-11pm. YOM TOV and Friday nights are by APPOINTMENT ONLY. Please make your appointment by 8:30pm the day before the chag. The remaining Saturday nights in September, the hours are 9:00pm - 11pm. The Mikvah is CLOSED ON Friday night, erev Yom Kippur._You must arrive and leave during regular Mikvah hours. Fee is \$20. OUT OF HOURS: additional \$20. For additional info or to schedule an appointment, please call 732-249-2411. As we are preparing for our annual VIRTUAL TEA, if you are a new member to the community, or you have not received our mailings in the past, please email your address and phone number to the Park Mikvah at hpmikvah@gmail.com.

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.

Shabbos Chol Hamoed Succos

Candlelighting 6:39 PM Mincha 6:45 PM

Ohr Torah can 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. Please submit all announcements by 7 PM Wednesday. PLEASE NOTE: Please make sure that you leave

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