



# Congregation Ohr Torah

## Weekly Announcements

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48 Edgemount Road Edison, NJ 08817

**Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi**

**Russell Adler- President**

*Parshas Ki Tisa*

*15 Adar 5774*

*February 15, 2014*

**Candlelighting:** 5:13 PM  
**Mincha:** 5:20PM  
**Shacharis:** 7:45, 9 & 9:15AM  
*Rabbi Hoffman's Shiur cancelled this week*  
**Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA):** 9:31 AM  
*Rabbi Luban's Sotah Shiur:* 4:20pm  
**Mincha:** 1:30 & 5:10 PM  
*Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Nate Miller*  
**Maariv:** 6:20 PM  
**Weekday Shacharis:**  
**Sunday** 7:15, 8 & 9 AM  
**Mon. & Thurs.** 6:20, 7:05, 8 AM  
**Tues, Wed., & Fri.** 6:30, 7:10, 8 AM  
**Weekday Mincha/ Maariv:** 5:20 PM  
**Weekday Maariv** 7:30 & 10:10 PM  
*Rabbi Luban's Sheilos U'teshuvos Shiur:*  
*Monday 9:10 PM*  
*Tuesday Tehillim: 9:50 PM*  
*Wednesday Night Kollel Learning: 8-10:10 PM*  
**DAF YOMI SCHEDULE FOR WINTER:**  
 Shabbos Morning – 8:15 AM and/ or after  
 Hashkama. Sunday: After 8 AM Shacharis  
 Monday – Thursday: after 7:30 Maariv

**KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP**

Kiddush sponsorship is available for March 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th. To sponsor a Kiddush or reserve the Kiddush room, please contact Mel Barenholtz in person, or by phone or email: [mbarenh@yahoo.com](mailto: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](http://www.ohrtorah.net)

**BUILDING DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIES**

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

**TREE OF LIFE and/or YAHRZEIT PLAQUES**

To dedicate a Yahrzeit Plaque or a Leaf for the Lobby EitzChayim 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](mailto:siegeldad@optonline.net).

**HOUSEKEEPING**

For housekeeping issues and inquiries contact Lou Smith at [ludeeju@gmail.com](mailto: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](http://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**

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

**E-MAIL LIST**

To get on the Ohr Torah e-mail list, please contact Gene Wasserman at [genew@compugene.com](mailto:genew@compugene.com).

**MAZEL TOV**

...to Susan and Hillel Raymon on the birth of a daughter, Chen Chasida (Hannah Sephora), to their children Yael Raymon and Shai Stahl. Mazel Tov to the entire Raymon, Stahl, Abrahams and Klavan families.

...to Riki and Robert Kreitman on the birth of a son to their children Cheryl and Marc Zeffren. Mazel Tov to the grandparents Mira and David Zeffren, great grandparents Henry and Sheila Schanzer, Claire Kreitman and Betty and Ben Jacobowitz and all of the Schanzer, Kreitman, Zeffren, Jacobowitz aunts, uncles and cousins.

... to Harvey Paretzky upon completing Shas for the first time after finishing Maseches Yumah. May he have the z'chus to complete Shas many more times.

**SHALOSH SEUDOS**

Shalosh Seudos is co-sponsored by Shoshana and Brian Allen, Penny and Michael Kaplan, Sharon and Eddie Lowinger, and Susie and Moish Wiesel in honor of the birth of a granddaughter to Rabbi and Rebbitzin Luban.

**OHR TORAH YOUTH RAFFLE WINNERS**

Congratulations to the Belsh(1), Siegel(2) and Pheffer(3) families on winning the Ohr Torah Youth Raffle prizes. Thanks to the Raffle ticket sellers, Charles Gershbaum, Jeff Klein, Lyndon Goldsmith and Mayer Berg. Thanks again to the ever helpful Brian Allen for handling the Shul billing. We are happy to publicize that all the tickets were sold. The grand winner is the Ohr Torah youth programs chaired by Mayer Berg, Ami Avraham, and the youth committee who run a wonderful & meaningful youth program every week.

**CONDOLENCES**

It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of David Resmovits, the father of Rose Walzman. Shiva will be observed at the Walzman home, 31 Celler Road, until Monday morning. Sunday Shacharis at 8 AM, Mincha at 5:10 PM. Monday Shacharis at 7 AM. May you be comforted among the mourners of Tzion and Jerusalem.

**YACHAD SHABBATON**

On February 22, Cong. Ohr Torah is pleased to be hosting a Shabbaton for the Yachad Re'im division. Thank you to everyone who has agreed to sponsor and host! We are looking for some additional sponsors to help us meet our goal for this important event. If you are interested in sponsoring \$100, please contact Srulee Hercman at

[shercman@gmail.com](mailto:shercman@gmail.com), Eli Wiesel at [Elliot.Wiesel@gmail.com](mailto:Elliot.Wiesel@gmail.com), Awi Salomon [awisalomon@gmail.com](mailto:awisalomon@gmail.com) or Jeffrey Klein at [jeffreyclain@yahoo.com](mailto:jeffreyclain@yahoo.com).

**SHABBAT ACROSS AMERICA**

Ohr Torah will be participating in NJOP's Shabbat Across America (SAA) program on Parashat Vayikra, March 7-8. We will join hundreds of synagogues across the continent welcoming thousands of participants to SAA. Our goal is to share the beauty of Shabbat in a warm, tolerant, and open atmosphere with family, friends, neighbors and business associates who may not regularly celebrate Shabbat.

At Ohr Torah, SAA will employ an innovative format, combining davening, an Oneg and Seudah Shlishit in the Shul with meals at the homes of host families. Supporting materials and inserted commentary will help demystify the davening and ritual. Guest participants will be personally invited by hosts who know them from the neighborhood, work or socially. In addition, students (and their parents) from the Rutgers Jewish Experience (RJX) will be invited to join. Guests will be invited to spend the entire Shabbat in Edison/Highland Park, and housing will be arranged where needed. More details are being distributed. You can also contact the registration committee leads, Debbie Schneider, [dbrh.schneider@gmail.com](mailto:dbrh.schneider@gmail.com), 732-572-4713, or Susie Wolf, [susiew32@aol.com](mailto:susiew32@aol.com), 908-906-9499

**SHAIMOS**

The annual Ohr Torah Shaimos collection will take place on Sunday, March 23, 9:30 AM – Mincha. Thank you to Barry Siegel for coordinating this effort once again this year.

**THANK YOU**

... to Susan and Moshe Wiesel for dedicating the beautiful new automated Luach in the main hallway. Also, thank you to Shmulie Leitman for programming and maintaining the contents on the Luach.

...to Yoel Schwartz for his tremendous snow clearing efforts for Ohr Torah this week and throughout this challenging winter.

**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**NORPAC MISSION**

Join us on our annual Mission to Washington event to support the U.S.-Israel relationship on Wednesday, April 30 2014. 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, 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

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 PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR MORE OHR TORAH INFORMATION**

PM .There will be briefings on the bus. All meals will be provided. Register now for the early bird discount: [www.norpac.net](http://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). Special discount -- College students can register at \$36 – but only by phone Contact Marc Hanfling [doccad@aol.com](mailto:doccad@aol.com) for more info.

### **CANTOR SHIMMY MILLER & MEZAMRIM AT OE**

Please join us as we welcome Cantor Shimmy Miller and Mezamrim, as part of our New Voices Series, to Cong Ohav Emeth, this Shabbos. Be inspired and moved by their beautiful voices throughout Shabbat. Don't miss "A Night of Music" featuring Cantor Miller and Mezamrim with music provided by pianist, Motti Miller and the OE Players on Motzei Shabbat, Feb 15<sup>th</sup> at 8:15 PM. Concert is \$36 per ticket. This concert is sponsored in part by Eddie and Lilah Braun as a memorial to Eddie's father, Mr. David Braun, on his first yahrtzeit. For more info, you may contact the OE Office at [732-247-3038](tel:732-247-3038) / [office@ohavemeth.org](http://office@ohavemeth.org) or Eddie Braun at [732-572-5613](tel:732-572-5613) / [oeconcert@gmail.com](mailto:oeconcert@gmail.com).

### **ACTT SAYS THANK YOU!**

Thank you to all the sponsors and attendees for making the ACTT Feb 1st event with Rabbi Eliyahu Kaufman so successful and meaningful! The current source book for the entire year is: "Step by Step" compiled by Rabbi Dovid Weinberger. The audio of Rabbi Weinberger's insightful and inspiring "Can We Really Change Our Character" presentation is now available for listening or downloading from the Audio page of the ACTT web site: [www.actt613.org/6.html](http://www.actt613.org/6.html). For more info, e-mail [info@actt613.org](mailto:info@actt613.org) or call Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762.

### **ANNUAL PURIM COSTUME GEMACH**

Purim Is Coming!! Are you getting ready?? We are very pleased to announce that OE's 7th Annual Purim Costume Gemach will be open this year on Sundays March 2 (1pm to 5 pm) and March 9th (10am to 2pm) at Ohav Emeth 415 Raritan Ave. Highland Park.

Pick up a "New to You" costume or donate your gently used costumes Many accessories as well. Suggested \$5 donation per costume borrowed. With every full costume donated, receive voucher to borrow 1 costume.

New this year: Vendors to help with your Purim needs! If you are interested in being a vendor, please contact us for more info. Any Questions? feel free to call or email Shari Gordon at (732) 572-9192 / [sharigordon2000@yahoo.com](mailto:sharigordon2000@yahoo.com)

### **THE PRIME MINISTERS. THE MOVIE**

It has been sold out in Jewish Film Festivals around the country. It has had a limited run in theaters. Now it is showing right here free of charge (thanks to our generous sponsors)...

The Prime Ministers, The Movie  
The Orthodox Forum of Edison/Highland Park is sponsoring a free showing of the movie:

**The Prime Ministers: The Pioneers**  
**Saturday Night, Feb 15 8pm**

**(come early for the best seat)**  
**Congregation Ohr Torah, Edison**

The Prime Ministers: The Pioneers, is based on the best-selling book by Ambassador Yehuda Avner.

The first of two parts, The Prime Ministers: The Pioneers focuses on Ambassador Avner's years working with Prime Ministers Levi Eshkol and

Golda Meir and then US Ambassador Yitzhak Rabin and reveals new details about the Six-Day War, the development of Israel's close strategic relationship with the United States, the fight against terrorism, the Yom Kippur War and its aftermath. The film stars the voices of Sandra Bullock as Golda Meir, Michael Douglas as Yitzhak Rabin, Leonard Nimoy as Levi Eshkol and Christoph Waltz as Menachem Begin.

The Orthodox Forum gladly accepts season sponsorships, as well as program sponsorships. For more info visit the orthodox forum website at [www.orthodoxjewishforum.org](http://www.orthodoxjewishforum.org).

### **SUNDAY FUNDAY @ REBOUNDERZ**

Attention Parents and Kids ages 5 and up: Join the AA Youth Department and Yachad in a fun and bouncy time at REBOUNDERZ in Edison, NJ THIS Sunday, Feb 16, from 10-11:30 a.m. Cost is \$15 per child and includes jump time and a pizza lunch. RSVPs must be submitted and accompanied by a waiver. Email [ayouth100@gmail.com](mailto:ayouth100@gmail.com).

### **CHILDREN'S FUND IN MEMORY OF DINA EISNER**

Newly designed beautiful Purim Shalach Manos cards are available for \$3.00 each from the Children's Fund in Memory of Dina Eisner. All proceeds from the sale enable The Children's Fund to help subsidize needed services for many local children. To obtain cards, please contact: Tova Josefovitz - (732) 572-9432, Shoshana Diskind (732) 572-7755, Janice Lustiger (732) 819-4919 or e-mail request to: [childrensfundhp@gmail.com](mailto:childrensfundhp@gmail.com)

### **BIKUR CHOLIM OF RARITAN VALLEY**

Save the date! Bikur Cholim of Raritan Valley Annual Event will take place on Sunday, March 2, 2014 at the Pines Manor. We will be having a brunch at 10:30am. Guest speaker Rabbi Jonathan Rietti. For men and women. Cost is \$50 per person. Sponsorships are available. Visa and MasterCard are accepted. For more information or to make reservations, please call the Bikur Cholim hotline at 732-572-7181.

### **KIDNEY NEEDED:**

My close friend, Jewish Male (52) father of 2, is in desperate need of a kidney (Type O blood). Please respond via the Renewal Organization at [R652@renewal.org](mailto:R652@renewal.org) And please have Tzvi ben Frimmet in your Tefilos for a Refuah Shleimah. Thank you, Dr. Alan Singer

### **WINE AND CHEESE TASTING**

Wine and Cheese Tasting featuring Royal Wines sommelier Zvi Bornstein will be held at Congregation Etz Ahaim at 230 Denison St in Highland Park on Sunday, March 9th at 7pm. For reservations and more info please visit [www.etzahaim.org/tasting](http://www.etzahaim.org/tasting). \$18 per person/\$30 per couple by Feb. 25th.

### **FOR WOMEN**

- Attached at the Heart: The Rebbetzins of HP and Edison invite all women to a panel addressing your parenting and work-life balance questions. This is a wonderful opportunity to get those tough questions answered and connect with the great women and resources this community has to offer. Complimentary brunch and babysitting available. This Sunday Feb 16 at 10am at Ahavas Achim - 216 S 1st Avenue. To RSVP or for additional info e-mail [MyTurnToAsk@Gmail.com](mailto:MyTurnToAsk@Gmail.com) or contact Gila Gerszberg at [732-266-2825](tel:732-266-2825) or Rena Klein at (917) 375-3850.

-Tiferes, a Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation program for women, will meet THIS Motzai Shabbos, Feb 15 at 8:15 PM at the home of Aviva

Siegel, 16 Edgemount Rd, Edison. An inspirational DVD will be shown: "Painting My World Positive – The Power of Positive Thinking". Speakers: Rabbi Jonathan Rietti and Mrs. Werdyger. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are also available to Tiferes members. Current teleconference: "Building Healthy Self-Esteem". Speaker: Mrs. Tammie Karmel. For more info or to become a member, please contact Aviva [siegelmom@optonline.net](mailto:siegelmom@optonline.net). The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.

-Rebbitzen Eichenstein's classes for women: No class on Sunday, Feb. 16; Parsha class on Monday, Feb. 17 at 8 PM at Cong Ohr Torah. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at [732-572-4408](tel:732-572-4408) [siegelmom@optonline.net](mailto:siegelmom@optonline.net), Ricki Stern [732-828-6939](tel:732-828-6939) [rickistern@yahoo.com](mailto:rickistern@yahoo.com).

- Mrs. Miri Cohen's Parsha class: Monday, Feb. 17 at 9:00 AM at the home of Rikki Samel, 427 Dennison Street, Highland Park.

-SemPlus shiur for post seminary girls on Wednesday, Feb. 19 at 9:15 PM. For more info, please call 908-420-0253.

-Mrs. Leah Drillman's Shimiras Haloshon class: No class on Mon. night, Feb. 17. For more info, please call Ellen [201-410-1893](tel:201-410-1893) or [732-777-6787](tel:732-777-6787).

-Reenas Bais Yaakov High School proudly presents ON FIRE!, a musical production for women and girls only. Sunday, Feb 23rd at 6:30pm at the Forum Theatre, 314 Main Street, Metuchen, NJ. For tickets and information please email [reenasby@gmail.com](mailto:reenasby@gmail.com) or call [732-985-5646](tel:732-985-5646).

### **PARK MIKVAH**

The Edison/Highland Park Mikvah will be open Sunday-Thursday 8:30pm to 10:30pm, and Saturday nights 7:30pm to 10:pm. Friday nights are BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. You must arrive and leave during regular Mikvah hours. IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER, PLEASE CALL THE MIKVAH FOR UPDATE ON HOURS/APPOINTMENTS. Fee is \$20. OUT OF HOURS: additional \$20. For more info to schedule an appointment, please call [732-249-2411](tel: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.

<b>Parshas Vayakhel</b>	
Candlelighting	5:21PM
Mincha	5:30 PM

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**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.