

# **Congregation Ohr Torah Weekly Announcements**

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban - Rabbi

Parshas Ki Tetze

Candlelighting: 7:05 PM 7:15 PM Mincha: **Shacharis:** 7:45, 9:00 and 9:15 AM

Rabbi Hoffman's Shiur: cancelled this week

Sof Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA): 9:42 AM

Kollel Learning Seder 4-6pm

**Kollel Mincha:** 6:00PM

Rabbi Luban's Sotah Shiur - 6:05PM

1:45, & 6:55PM Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Rabbi Josh Rapps

8:05 PM Maariv:

Weekday Shacharis:

Sun. 7:15, 8 & 9:00AM 6:20, 7:05, & 8 AM Mon. & Thur Tue, Wed. & Fri. 6:30, 7:10, & 8 AM Weekday Mincha/ Maariv: 7:00 PM

Rabbi Sauer's Daf Yomi Iyun Shiur - Sunday after 7:15 Shacharis

Rabbi Billowitz' Halacha Shiur - Sunday after 8 AM Shacharis

> Kollel Learning: Weds. 8-10:10 PM 10:10 PM

### Weekday Maariv **Daf Yomi Schedule:**

Friday-after Kabbolas Shabbos, Shabbos-one hour before Mincha, Sunday-after 8 am Shacharis Mon.-Thursday-after Maariv. Daf Yomi is starting a new Masechta Maseches Chaggiga, this Wednesday Sept 10. This is an ideal time to start.

### KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP

Kiddush sponsorship is available for September 13th & 20th and for the first day of Succos, Shabbos Chol Hamoed Succos and Shemini Atzeres. To sponsor a Kiddush or reserve the Kiddush room, please contact Mel Barenholtz in person, or by phone or email: <a href="mailto:mbarenh@yahoo.com">mbarenh@yahoo.com</a>. 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@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.

### 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**

For funeral and Shiva email and phone mail announcements contact Reena Greenspan 732-828-5642 (home) 732-678-8848

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(cell), reenagreenspan@yahoo.com or Gene Wasserman 732-397-0130 or genew@compugene.com

### E-MAIL LIST

To get on the Ohr Torah e-mail list, please contact Gene Wasserman at genew@compugene.com.

### **MAZEL TOV**

...to Zelda and Danny Wildman on the birth of a daughter to their children Elie and Rivka Wildman of Beit Shemesh this past Shabbat. Mazel Tov to the new baby's parents and to siblilngs Michael, Shalva, Yehoshua and Noam, to great-grandmother Sala Grinblatt, to the other grandparents, Dr. Richie and Ellen Gertler of Teaneck, and to all the aunts

...to Lorraine and Abe Schwartzbard on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson Josh Farkas of Cedarhurst, NY. Mazel Tov to Josh's parents Amy and Shmuel Farkas and to the entire Schwartzbard and Farkas family.

- ...to Michelle and Robert Schanzer on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Joshua, Mazel Tov to grandparents Sheila and Henry Schanzer, and to the entire Schanzer and Kreitman families.
- ... to Ruchi and Yossi Stern on the recent Bar Mitzvah of their grandson Nussie. Mazel Toy to the parents Goldie and Moshe Doy
- ...to Sari and Greg Shalom on the birth of a son, in Israel, to their children Emunah and Avi Sholom.

### **YOMIM NORA'IM**

Please submit Yomim Naroim seat reservation forms no later than Sept. 7th for both the Main and the Hashkama Minyanim. Replies can be mailed or dropped in the Shul curbside mailbox. Payment for the 2014 seats must accompany this reservation. Before accepting reservations for 2014, the Board requires that balances be paid up through the year 2013, including all past membership dues and pledges. Anyone with special circumstances should make arrangements before reservations are accepted by contacting Russell Adler or Brian Allen at 732-572-0329. To arrange special seats at the Hashkama Minyan, contact Gershon Klavan in person or via E-mail to \*othashkama@hotmail.com\* "

Be advised that the seating chart will be posted next Shabbos.

# **Russell Adler- President** September 6, 2014

Kiddush this Shabbos is sponsored by Michelle and Robert Schanzer in honor of Joshua's Bar Mitzvah.

### **SHALOSH SEUDOS**

Shalosh Seudot is being sponsored by the Schanzer Family in honor of the Joshua's Bar Mitzvah.

### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

Starting Tuesday, September 9, we will be replacing the settled cement around the front doors, and repairing the doors. It will take about 3 days to complete this work, during which time the front doors will not be useable. We will provide alternate access to the Shul via the left side door near the rear of the building. Your understanding and cooperation will be appreciated.

# **OT YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

We are excited to announce our Ohr Torah Youth staff appointments with room locations for the 2014-2015 (5774-5775)

- -Tot Shabbat (grades pre-nursery and nursery) in the corner classroom on the lower level: Tova Slepoy, Nikki Bick. -Kindergarten and First Grade in the Shul
- Office on the upper level: Dalya Goldman, Mordy Tarlow.
- -Second thru Fourth Grade Boys in the first classroom middle of the hallway lower level: Jonathan Meiner, Effie Auman.
- -Second thru Fourth Grade Girls in the second classroom middle of the hallway lower level: Carmi Kaye, Ally Orgel. -Fifth and Sixth Grade Boys in the Beit Medrash upper level: Willie Kluger,
- -Fifth and Sixth Grade Girls in the back of the Kiddush Room: Dani Berlin.

In addition, starting this Shabbat 9/6 we are instituting an early-drop off at 9:30 AM for all children thru fourth grade in the corner classroom (grades pre nursery thru kindergarten) and the classroom adjacent to that (grades first thru fourth). Our structured vouth program will continue to begin at 10 AM at which time all children will be relocating to the classrooms listed above according to grade. In addition for several months now, our children have received healthier options for snacks and drinks. Come downstairs and check it out! We look forward to welcoming your children this Shabbat at Ohr Torah.

### **OHR TORAH MEETINGS**

-There will be a Board meeting on Tuesday, September 9, at 8:30 PM.

REMINDER: The emergency Defibrillator is mounted on the wall in the hallway. PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR MORE OHR TORAH INFORMATION

- There will be a general membership meeting on September 17.

The agenda will include:

- 1. Presidents report
- 2. House Committee Report
- 3. Fund Raising Update
- 4. Discussion of Protocol for upcoming Chazzon vote.

# OHR TORAH IMPROVEMENTS AND UPGRADES

-We are pleased to let you know that a cell phone booster has been installed to provide coverage downstairs. Special shout out to David Stern for his many hours working on this project and invaluable technical expertise. Thank you as well to Larry and Mina Tiefenbrunn and Moishe and Susie Weisel for their assistance in making this happen. Yishar Kochachem to all!
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-The classrooms and hallway downstairs are in the process of being painted. We express our gratitude to Noa Elbaum and the Youth & House Committees, for their efforts over many months bringing this to fruition. Thank you very much!

## **ANNUAL TESHUVA LECTURE**

The I. David and Miriam Goldstein annual teshuva lecture will take place on Sunday night, Sept 21 at 8 pm at OT. Rabbi Mordechai Becher will present "Repentance and the Power of Oneness". Rabbi Becher is a prominent lecturer for Gateways Seminars and educator on Shalom TV. All donations will be utilized to provide yom tov meals for the poor in Israel.

### **LOST & FOUND**

On Rosh Hashana 2012, A brown leatherbound Artscoll Machzor with the name Dovid Yehuda (in Hebrew) was taken by accident. If you find it in your home or in OT, please return it to the Lowinger family.

### **SEFORIM DONATIONS**

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

- -Edward & Sharon Lowinger in memory of Sharon's father Meyer Cooperberg Z"L -Barry & Hinda Herman in memory of Hinda's father Arthur Rosenthal Z"L
- -Chaya Gurkov in memory of Rabbi Shmuel Dovid Gurkov Z"L
- -Chaya Gurkov in memory of Michel & Channah Brainah Gordon & brother Chaim Gordon Z"L.

# COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS ACTT STARTS 9<sup>TH</sup> YEAR

The ACTT organization (Achieving Change Through Torah) is greatly honored to have Rabbi Yissocher Frand speak about "It All Comes Down to Emunah" to start the 9<sup>th</sup> year of the program THIS Sunday night, Sept 7, 2014 at 7:30 PM at Cong Ahavas Achim. Admission is free and sponsors are welcome. The entire community is encouraged to attend. For more info, e-mail <a href="mailto:info@actt613.org">info@actt613.org</a> or call Phil Rosen <a href="mailto:(732)">(732)</a>

### **BIKUR CHOLIM**

Bikur Cholim is looking for men who are able to go to the hospital on Rosh HaShanah to blow the shofar for the Jewish patients. Anyone who is able to do this can contact Mrs. Ronnie Shilcrat on (732) 690-7193 or by email volunteers@bikurcholimrv.org.

### **ANNUAL COMMUNITY WIDE PICNIC:**

Join the Ahavas Achim community for a BBQ picnic in Donaldson Park- Grove 3A on Sunday, Sept 7 at 11:30 a.m. Rain date TBD. Cost: \$12/person, \$45 max/family, in advance; \$15/person and \$50 max/family at the door. Prices include all food and activities (crafts, face painting, and more!) Looking forward to seeing you there! RSVP to Miriam at <a href="mailto:aayouth100@gmail.com">aayouth100@gmail.com</a>

## **AHAVAS ACHIM ANNUAL RAFFLE**

Our raffle will be held THIS Sunday, Sept 7. The raffle is a 50/50 prize and the proceeds will go to support the Youth Department. If you have not yet purchased your tickets please contact Rachel at the Ahavas Achim office or Miriam at aayouth100@gmail.com! One ticket is \$36; three for \$100. We look forward to having you and your family participate in our community picnic on Sept 7 at 11:30 am.

### **TZADDIK BAH LA'IR:**

We are thrilled to announce that the Biale Rebbe of Bnei Brak will be spending Shabbos Parshas Ki Savo, Sept 12-13th, at AY. The Rebbe will be davening Fridaynight at the shul and will hold a men's tisch afterwards @ 9:15PM, which is open to the entire community. On Shabbos morning, the Rebbe will also be davening at AY and will be available for private brachos, guidance, and advice on Sunday morning, September 14th. This is a special and unique opportunity for our entire community before the upcoming Yomim Nora'im. For more info please contact <a href="mailto:info@ayedison.org">info@ayedison.org</a>.

### **CNJKIDS**

Central New Jersey Kehilot Investing in Day Schools, Inc. ("CNJKIDS") invites the entire Jewish community of Central New Jersey to attend its first annual breakfast.

The guest of honor will be Abe Schwartzbard, who will be honored with CNJKIDS' Inaugural "Pillar of Jewish Continuity" Award.

Guest Speaker will be Alan Cooperman, author of "A Portrait of Jewish Americans" and Director of Religion Research at the Pew Research Center. Mr. Cooperman's topic: "Findings from the Pew Research Center's Survey of U.S. Jews".

The event will take place at Cong Ohr Torah, 48 Edgemount Rd, in Edison, New Jersey, on Sunday, Nov 2, 2014, from 9:30-11am. There will be no couvert. Please RSVP to <a href="mailto:cnjkids@qmail.com">cnjkids@qmail.com</a>.

### MA'AYANOT YESHIVA HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS ANNUAL YOM IYUN

Ma'ayanot Yeshiva High School for Girls is pleased to invite the community to their annual Yom Iyun on Tzom Gedalia, September 28<sup>th</sup>, from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm at the school (1650 Palisade Ave, Teaneck). The Yom Iyun will begin with a shiur by keynote speaker Mrs. Leah Herzog on the topic "Why Remember? The Role of Memory in Jewish Life," followed by additional shiurim by members of the Ma'ayanot faculty. Men and women are welcome. This event is generously sponsored by the Staiman family in commemoration of the yahrtzeit of Mr. Staiman's father, Shalom Tzvi ben Aharon, Sholom Staiman. Additional sponsorship opportunities are available.

For more info, please contact Pam Ennis at ennisp@maayanot.org or 201-833-4307, ext. 265

# EMUNAH ANNUAL TOWN WIDE GARAGE SALE

Emunah is joining Highland Park for their annual township wide garage sale on Sunday, Sept 14 from 8AM to 4PM. It will be held at Adrienne Orani's home, 292 North 5th Ave, HP. 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 10, 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.

### **AMERICAN FRIENDS OF HERZOG HOSPITAL**

Highland Park/Edison is raising funds to bring a troop of Israeli veteran soldiers to our community this coming November. These soldiers suffered from a traumatic experience during their service. They will come here for much needed therapy and respite through the Peace of Mind program

(http://www.peaceofmindictp.com/index.html). Please show your support and Hakarat Hatov to soldiers who have risked their lives for Israel. RSVP to Barbara Strassman (barbara.strassman@gmail.com or 732/545-3931). If you would like to support the program, please send donations made out to American Friends of Herzog Hospital c/o Rosanne Koenigson at 221 Washington Ave. Edison, NJ 08817.

# CHAI LIFELINE SHABBATON-SEEKING SPONSORS AND VOLUNTEERS

The Raritan Valley community will be hosting a Chai Lifeline "Friends & Fun" Shabbaton, bringing 30-35 children (7-18 yrs old) who have lifethreatening illnesses to our neighborhood for a weekend of fun on October 31st. Please help us make this an event to remember. Sponsor or contribute today (all contributions will be displayed on a recognition card):

- -\$ 1,000- Sponsor Shabbat meal (Platinum)
- \$ 500- Sponsor Seudah Shlishit (Gold)
- \$ 360- Sponsor a child for the weekend (Silver)
- \$ 180- Sponsor Saturday night event (Sponsor)
- Up to \$ 180- Contributor

Please make checks out to "Chai Lifeline" and mail to David Waizer, 53 North 7<sup>th</sup> Ave, Highland Park, N1 08904

Teens from Highland Park/Edison/East Brunswick are encouraged to volunteer; please contact Barbara Edery at <a href="mailto:barbaraedery@gmail.com">barbaraedery@gmail.com</a>. This event qualifies for <a href="mailto:chesed">chesed</a> hours and a letter can be provided upon request.

### **TZITZIS FOR CHAYALIM**

Quoting from Colonel Amital Tovol, Rabbi of IDF 80th Brigade: "Know that soldiers who are observant, as well as those who are not, seek to strengthen themselves...they seek out books of Tehilim... but above all, the merit of Tzitzis, a shield against the dangers of battle..." Rabbi Gottlieb of Mezakim, who lives in Beitar, has taken upon himself the risk of going to the Gaza border to distribute specially hand made regulation-green tzitzis, each pair costing 25 shekel. Please consider donating for this mitzvah at this crucial time and may the zechus of this mitzvah protect

our chayalim and stay with them in times of peace. For local info, call Rivka 732-247-0621 or send checks -any amounts- directly to: "USA Outreach", POB 486, Cedarhurst, NY 11516 (with note "tzitzis for chayalim)

# **MITZVAH OF LOVE BRUNCH**

MAKE NOTE THE DATE CHANGE: Mitzvah of Love Brunch Sunday, Nov 9, 201 At Cong Ahavas Achim at 11:30am Our Honoree is: Rebbetzin Devorah Hilsenrath. Our Certificate Honorees are: Carol Levin z'l & Martha Rotter.

#### **CHUG IVRIT**

For intermediate to advanced Hebrew speakers meet\s one Sunday per month at 11:00 a.m. We chat in Hebrew and read a short Hebrew story or article. We'd love to have you join us! To find out where and when we are meeting in Sept. contact Rachel Weintraub at 732-819-9298 or rachel@weintraubworld.net. A new Chug Ivrit has started for advancedbeginners who'd like to improve their skills in Hebrew reading and speaking but don't yet feel ready for the higher level Chug. It meets one Sunday per month from 10-11am. If you are interested in joining this Chug, contact Rachel Weintraub at 732-819-9298 or rachel@weintraubworld.net for date and location of the September meeting.

#### **ISRAEL MISSION**

Ahavas Achim invites you to join the Goldberg family on our 13th annual Israel Mission, from Jan 14-26, 2015. 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 Kibbutz Lavi, 3 day touring excursion with experienced guides, full Israeli breakfast daily, dinners at Kibbutz Lavi, Friday night and Shabbat lunch on both Shabbatot, tips, transfers, and handling. The cost per person (based on double occupancy) is \$2085 plus airport tax and fuel surcharge (currently \$695). Registration begins Sept 1. Registration is available on a first come, first serve basis with a deposit of \$150 per person by Wed, Oct 1. To register, visit the mission website at www.arieltours.com/aamission. Questions can be directed

toaamission@arieltours.com on or after Sept 1.

### **AY SISTERHOOD HAT & TICHEL SHOW!**

Please join us at AY on Tuesday night, September 16<sup>th</sup>, at 8:00PM, for our Hat & Tichel Show, featuring Helen Baker from Hats Incredible in Cherry Hill, and Helene Kravitz from Heads Up Snoods. They will be selling a wide variety of head coverings, including Shabbos and weekday hats, crocheted snoods, pre-tied snoods,

bandanas, headbands, and tichels. For more info, please contact sisterhood@avedison.org.

### **JEWISH FAMILY SERVICES NEWS**

- 1) Jewish Family Services of Middlesex County is in desperate need of the following food items for the Kosher Food Pantry in Milltown: pasta, rice, cereal (hot and cold), juice, tuna, jelly, pasta sauce, canned vegetables. Please note that the pantry only takes non-perishable, unexpired food. Please bring donations to the Milltown office, 32 Ford Ave., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor. Thank you for your support.
- 2) JRecovery Anonymous support group: Calling all Jewish alcoholics, addicts and anyone (family, friends) affected by addiction. If you are feeling isolated and hopeless, this is the place for you! JRecovery Anonymous is a peer support group that meets every Monday night 7:30 8:30PM at Jewish Family Services, 32 Ford Ave. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Milltown. New and experienced 12-step group participants welcome. Join us each Monday on our journey of comfort and support. For more information call JFS: 732-777-1940 or email: office@jfsmiddlesex.org . Please park on the street, walk through the parking lot and use the ramp entrance to access the elevator to the second floor.

### **FOR WOMEN**

- -Rabbi Bassous: class for women on Sefer Yonah, Sunday, Sept 7 at 10AM at Cong. Etz Ahaim.
- Rebbitzen Eichenstein's classes for women: No classes on Sunday, Sept. 7 and Monday, Sept. 8. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at 732-572-4408siegelmom@optonline.net, Ricki Stern 732-828-6939 rickistern@yahoo.com.
  -Mrs. Miri Cohen's Parsha class: Wed, Sept. 10 at 9:15 AM at the home of Rikki Samel, 427 Dennison St, Highland Park.
- Tiferes, a Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation program for women, will meet Motzai Shabbos, September 13 at 9:00 PM at the home of Aviva Siegel, 16 Edgemount Road, Edison. An inspirational DVD will be shown: "The Gates of Elul: Finding Your Own Gate Through Prayer and Perspective" with Rabbi Don Krancer and Mrs. Shoshie Nissenbaum. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are also available to Tiferes members. Current series: "Back to School; Opportunities and Challenges" with Mrs. Seryl Berman. For more info or to become a member, please contact Aviva siegelmom@optonline.net. The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.

-HP/Edison Connects Melava Malka Kickoff Event Of The Year! Help us welcome the new women who have recently moved into our community, while reconnecting with familiar faces. Highland Park /Edison Connects invites the women of our community to an evening of mingling, connecting, and fun! Join us for a potluck Melava Malka at the home of Effy and Devora Zinkin, 487 Harrison Ave. HP, Sept. 13th, 8:30 PM. Please RSVP a:t

highlandparkedisonconnects@yahoogroups.com. A \$5 donation is suggested to help offset costs. We look forward to seeing you there!

### **PARK MIKVAH**

- -Park Mikvah is in need of both men and women volunteers to help with small tasks that allow for the smooth running of the mikvah. Assistance is primarily needed during the day. For more information on how to devote time or expertise to the Park Mikvah, please contact Aviva at siegelmom@optonline.net.
- The Edison/Highland Park Mikvah is open Sunday-Thursday 9-11pm Saturday night, Sept 6, hours are 9:15-11:15pm.

Friday nights are by APPOINTMENT ONLY, and should be made by the day before. Fee: \$20. You must arrive and leave during regular hours, or incur an additional \$20 additional fee. To schedule an appointment, or leave a message, 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. However, the Mikvah will be closed immediately upon the end of the Minyan as the Shul needs to be closed. Please leave the area clean and neat.

### LOCAL ERUV

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

### Parshas Ki Tavo

Candlelighting Mincha 6:53PM 7:00PM

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