



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parshas Ki Tavo

18 Elul 5774

September 13, 2014

Candlelighting: 6:53 PM
Mincha: 7:00 PM
Shacharis: 7:45, 9:00 and 9:15 AM
Rabbi Hoffman's Shiur: after hashkama
Sof Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA): 9:44 AM
Rabbi Luban's Sotah Shiur – 5:55 PM
Mincha: 1:45, & 6:45PM
Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Moshe Sherman
Maariv: 7:55 PM
Weekday Shacharis:
Sun. 7:15, 8 & 9:00AM
Mon. & Thur 6:20, 7:05, & 8 AM
Tue, Wed. & Fri. 6:30, 7:10, & 8 AM
Weekday Mincha/ Maariv: 6:50 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
Weekday Maariv 10:10 PM
Daf Yomi Schedule:
Friday-after Kabbolas Shabbos, *Shabbos*-one hour before Mincha, *Sunday*-after 8 am Shacharis
Mon.-Thursday-after Maariv

MAZEL TOV

...to the Hon. Mark B. Epstein on his being honored by the American Board of Trial Attorneys with the 2014 Judicial Achievement Award. The Award was presented at ABOTA's Annual Fall Dinner on September 11, 2014, at the Highland Pavilion in West Orange.
 ...to Israel Rivkin on his being invited by Edison Mayor Thomas Lankey to give the invocation at the Edison 9-11 memorial ceremony this past Thursday.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush this Shabbos is co-sponsored by: - Rose and Terry Walzman in memory of the of the Yahrzeit of Terry's mother Freeda Walzman, Fraida bas Chaim Hirsch A"H. -Debbie and Bill Gewirtz in memory of Bill's father R' Yonah ben R' Yehudah A"H.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudot is being co-sponsored by: -Esther and Michael Reiss in memory of Michael's father, Menachem Mendel Ben Yom Tov Lippa, Z"L and Esther's father, Naphtali Ben Aaron HaCohen, Z"L. - Shelly and Aryeh Zinkin in memory of the Yahrzeit of Shelly's father Herbert Dershowitz, Chaim Tzvi Dov ben Yekutiel Yehudah Z"L.

SHABBOS SPEAKER

We are pleased to welcome Yossi Baumol, the Executive Director of American Friends of Sderot, who is with us for Shabbos. Yossi, an inspirational speaker, will speak at all three Shabbos morning minyonim on the topic of "The Gaza Conflict-the Concrete Results".

YOMIM NAROIM SEAT RESERVATIONS

The 2014 seat reservations are complete. Please check the seat postings. Contact the Seating Committee with any updates. Thank you.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Due to a conflict, the date for membership meeting has been changed to September 22 at 830 pm.

The agenda will include:

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

KIBUDIM

As has been our tradition, we will be auctioning off Kibudim for Yamim Noraim next Saturday night at midnight, before Selichot. People who do not want to attend the auction in person are encouraged to submit bids in advance by contacting Russell

CONDOLENCES

We regret to inform you of the passing of Mr. David Greenbaum, the father of Dena Lieblich. The funeral was on Friday in Michigan.

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

OT YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

-We have instituted 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 youth 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 ask all parents to ensure that your children are either in youth groups or in Shul alongside a parent. It is not permissible for children to wander our Shul hallways or to be outside running around unsupervised. This is for your children's safety!

-In addition once again Ohr Torah is proud to offer babysitting on Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur. We are requesting a voluntary contribution of \$18 per family to help defray the cost of the babysitting. Please make checks out to Ohr Torah and indicate HH babysitting on your check. The times for our babysitting are as follows:

- 9/25 (RH) -- 10am to 2 pm
- 9/26 (RH) -- 10 am to 2 pm
- 10/3 (YK) -- 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm
- 10/4 (YK) -- 10 am to 2:30 pm and 5pm to 7pm

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.

ISRAEL BONDS

The Israel Bond Office reports that 84 members of our shul bought \$536,000.00 worth of Israel Bonds!!!! This is an incredible

KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP

Kiddush sponsorship is available for first day of Succos, Shabbos Chol Hamoed Succos, Shemini Atzeres and Shabbos Breishis (October 17th). 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.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 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 (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.

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

record. The number of members purchasing bonds increased over prior years, and there was a significant increase in the bond purchase amount per member. Congratulations are in order to the Congregation and to all of you for "bonding" with Israel. Do you think we can get 100% (no Jew left behind) participation and raise the level even higher. Looking forward to working with you all to achieve the next level. The Israel Bond Committee will sponsor a Shul Kiddish if we get more than 90% membership participation; regardless of the amount raised. For a minimum of \$100 you can get on the honor roll and in line for the Kiddush.

THANK YOU

The Wasserman and Forman families would like to be Makir Tov to all those who assisted us and comforted us during our time of bereavement. May your acts of kindness be a blessing for your families and Klal Yisroel.

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 Artscroll 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:

-Moshe & Susan Wiesel in memory of Saul Wasserman's wife Rebecca Wasserman Z"L

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACTT SAYS THANK YOU!

Thank you to all the sponsors and attendees for making the ACTT Sept 7th event with Rabbi Yissocher Frand so successful and meaningful! The current source book for the entire year is: "Living Emunah – Achieving a Life of Serenity through Faith". For more info, see the ACTT website, www.actt613.org, e-mail info@actt613.org or call Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762.

BIKUR CHOLIM

Bikur Cholim is looking for men who are able to go to the hospital on Rosh HaShana to blow the shofar for the Jewish patients. Anyone who is able to do this can contact Mrs. Ronnie Shilcrat on (732)690-7193.

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

PLEASE HELP KEEP THE SHUL NEAT...PLEASE RETURN SIDDURIM & CHUMASHIM TO THE REAR OF THE SANCTUARY AFTER DAVENING.

"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 cnjkids@gmail.com.

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 28th, 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 THIS Sunday, September 14 from 8AM to 4PM. It will be held at Adrienne Orani's home, 292 North 5th Ave, Highland Park. Please look through your home and free 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.

BAKERY

Mordy's Kosher Bakery and Café has moved to their new location at 15 North 4th Ave, Highland Park.

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 life-threatening 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 7th Ave, Highland Park, NJ 08904.

Teens from Highland Park/Edison/East Brunswick are encouraged to volunteer; please contact Barbara Edery at barbaraedery@gmail.com. This event qualifies for *chesed* 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](tel: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](tel:732-819-9298) or rachel@weintraubworld.net. A new Chug Ivrit has started for advanced-beginners 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](tel: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

to aamission@arieltours.com on or after Sept 1.

AY SISTERHOOD HAT & TICHEL SHOW!

Please join us at AY on Tuesday night, September 16th, 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@ayedison.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., 2nd 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. 2nd 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](tel: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 Bassou: class for women on Sefer Yonah, Sunday, Sept 14 at 10 AM at Cong. Etz Ahaim.

- Rebitzen Eichenstein's classes for women: Tefillah class on Sunday, Sept 14 at 10AM at Aguda shule; Parsha class on Monday, Sept 15 at 8PM at Cong 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

- Mrs. Miri Cohen's Parsha class: Wednesday, Sept. 17 at 9:15 AM at the home of Ricki Samel, 427 Dennison Street, 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@yahogroups.com. A

\$5 donation is suggested to help offset costs. We look forward to seeing you there!

PARK MIKVAH

- The Edison/Highland Park Mikvah is open Sunday-Thursday 9-11pm. Saturday nights through Oct 4, hours are 9pm-11pm.. Friday nights and Rosh Hashanah are by APPOINTMENT ONLY, and should be made by the day before. Erev Yom Kippur, Oct 3, the mikvah is closed. **Fee: \$20.** You must arrive and leave during regular hours, or incur an additional \$20 additional fee. To schedule an appt, or leave a message, 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. 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](tel:732-247-ERUV) for status of the Eruv.

Parshas Nitzavim-Vayelech

Candlelighting	6:41PM
Mincha	6:50PM

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