

Congregation Ohr TorahWeekly Announcements

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban - Rabbi

Parshas Ha'azinu - Shabbat Shuva

Erev Rosh Hashanah (Wed. Sept 24):

Slichos 1:00, 5:00, 5:40, 6:30 & 7:30 AM

Shacharis 6:30, 7:10, 8:00 & 9:00 AM

Followed by Hataras NedarimCandlelighting: 6:33 PM

Eruv Tavshilin before candlelighting

• Mincha (two minyanim): 6:40 PM

First Day Rosh Hashanah (Thurs. Sept 25):

Shacharis 6:45, 8:15 AM

Shofar: Not before 9:00, 10:30 AM

• Mincha: 5:30 PM followed by Tashlich

Candlelighting: Not before 7:40 PM

Maariv (two minyanim): 7:40 PM

Second Day Rosh Hashanah (Fri. Sept. 26)

Shacharis: 6.45, 8:15 AM

Shofar: Not before 9:00, 10:30 AM

• Mincha: 6:25 PM

Candlelighting Erev Shabbos: 6:30 PM

Shabbos Shuva (September 27)

Shacharis: 7:45, 9:00 & 9:15 AM

 Mincha Shabbos Day: 1:45 & 5:45 PM followed by Shabbos Shuva drasha.

NOTE: THERE WILL BE NO SHALOSH SEUDOS IN

Maariv: 7:30 PM

Tzom Gedalia (Sunday September 28) Fast Starts 5:39 AM, Fast ends 7:35PM

• Slichos: 1:00, 6:30(Main Shul), 7:20(Social

Hall) & 8:30(Main Shul) AM Mincha: 1:30 & 6:05 PM

• Late Maariv 7:15 PM (no 10:10 PM Maariv)

Monday Sept 29 -Thurs. October 2:

 Slichos - 40 minutes before shacharis at both 6:20/ 6:30 and 7:05/ 7:10 minyanim, 35 minutes before shacharis at 8 AM minyan

• Mincha/ Maariv: 6:25 PM

Late Maariv: 10:10 PM

Erev Yom Kippur (Friday October 3):

• Slichos: 6:10, 6:50, 7:40 & 8:50 AM

Mincha: 2:00 & 3:30 PM

Daf Yomi Schedule:

Wed. Night: after Maariv, First Day RH 6:45 PM, Second Day RH 5:45PM, Shabbos 5:00 PM Sunday-after 8 am Shacharis. Mon.-Thurs.-after Maariv.

KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP

Kiddush sponsorship is available for the first two days 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.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.

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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 <u>siegeldad@optonline.net</u>.

HOUSEKEEPING

For housekeeping issues and inquiries contact Lou Smith at <a href="https://linear.ncbi.nlm.n

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.

MAZEL TOV

...to Lorraine and Abe Schwartzbard on the birth of a daughter to their children Yael and Ari Schwartzbard of Teaneck, NJ. Mazel Tov to the great-grandmother Rebettzin Devorah Hilsenrath.

... to Karen and Yoel Schwartz on their son Arie who is making Aliyah this coming week, and continuing his engineering studies at The Technion – Israel Institute of Technology, in Haifa. We wish him much hatzlacha!!

... to Allan and Helene 'Leni' Weitz on their marriage this past Sunday.

TEEN KIDDUSH

Teen Kiddush sponsored this week by Karen and Yoel Schwartz, in honor of Arie's forthcoming Aliyah.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush this Shabbos Shuva is being sponsored by David Hanfling and family to commemorate the Yahrzeits of his Aunt Pepi; Prieva bas Dovid Leib , A"H, and Faye Hanfling ; Faige Ayleh bas Meir Hakohen A"H.

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

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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.

E-MAIL ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR NEWSLETTER

Thanks to the efforts of Evan Orgel, our system has been updated so that all announcements submitted to announcements@ohrtorah.net will receive an automatic response confirming that the email has been received. If you submit an announcement and do not receive a response, please contact Russell Adler, Arnie Lustiger or Leslie Ney.

NOTICE

We have fixed the curtain rod and drawstring on the Paroches in the main sanctuary. When opening and closing the Paroches please pull on the drawstring *GENTLY*. Thank you.

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.

OT YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

-Congregation Ohr Torah will have a special youth program on Rosh Hashana September 25th and 26th for children in grades Nursery thru Sixth Grade beginning at 11:45 AM. We will initially meet in the back of the Kiddush Room for the sounding of the Shofar (30 Kolot) for women and children after which our youth program including Junior Congregation will commence. We will discuss the importance of the Yomim Nora'im through relevant stories and special "sweet" treats will be provided. Please note that signs will be posted on all classroom doors with the grades of the children for that location. The program will conclude when the Main Minyan has completed.

REMINDER: The emergency Defibrillator is mounted on the wall in the hallway.

PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR MORE OHR TORAH INFORMATION

The COT Youth Department wishes everyone a K'tiva V'Chatima Tova. Any questions please email Mayer Berg at marcqberg@verizon.net.

-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 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.

SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

- -Joseph & Cheryl Strauch in memory of Dena Lieblich's father David Greenbaum Z"L
- -Eva Weisz in memory of her husband Moshe Weisz Z"L
- -Eva Weisz in memory of her brother-inlaw Yaakov Weisz Z"L
- -Eva Weisz in memory of Saul Wasserman's wife Rebecca Wasserman Z"L

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.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS CHARITY FUND FOR THE BLIND

As leaves start to turn amber and fall, the Yamim Nora'im are upon us, Once again, I appeal to the Congregation for The Charity Fund for the Blind. This organization, which was founded by Aliza Goldstein and her husband Yehuda of Jerusalem, has no paid employees and zero overhead. Aliza and Yehuda, when they started to help the blind of Jerusalem used only their personal resources and those of family members. However, the number of people who requested assistance from them multiplied and the needs of the families also increased. At that point, 5 years ago, Aliza contacted me and asked if I could assist her. Since then, I have been raising funds during chodesh Elul for this holy work.

During this summer of crisis for all Israel, the needs of these special families must still be met. Accordingly, my appeal takes on a more critical urgency as other sources of funding are strained and are diminished. Rest assured, every dollar of assistance you provide is used efficiently and directly with not a penny spent outside of the direct help that is dispensed.

Please send your donations directly to Bella Lerner, 1 Celler Road, Edison. Make checks payable to Congregation Ohr Torah- Gemach and write Charity Fund for the Blind on the memo line.

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 continued assistance.

RJJ MIKVAH SCHEDULE

Erev Yom Kippur early AM to 5PM, closed 1-2PM for cleaning.

KAPOROS

The Rabbi Jacob Joseph Yeshiva will be hosting Kaporos on Sunday Sept. 28th (Tzom Gedaliah) at the 2060 Woodbridge Ave. location in the back parking lot from 2:00 till 4:30. The cost will be \$13 a chicken. To place an order please call or text 848-223-1187

SIMCHAT BEIT HOSHEAVA

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 Sunday, Oct 12, starting 6PM. Food, dancing, joy and happiness! All ages are welcome! Contact Rabbi Shmulie Greene at rabbishmulie@steinsaltz.org for more info and sponsorship opportunities.

ACTT SAYS THANK YOU!

Thank you to all the sponsors and attendees for making the ACTT September 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-mailinfo@actt613.org or call Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762.

BIKUR CHOLIM

-Bikur Cholim is looking for men or women who are able to take Arba Minim to the hospital for the Jewish patients all the days of Sukkos. We are looking for men or women at least 16 years old. Chesed hours are available. We'll supply the Arba Minim as necessary. Anyone who is able to do this can contact Mrs. Ronnie Shilcrat on (732) 690-7193 or by email volunteers@bikurcholimrv.org.

OE YOUTH EVENTS

For Sprouts,1st and 2nd graders and Juniors, 3rd and 4th graders: Join us at OE on Sunday Sept 28th (Tzom Gedaliah) from 1:30-3:00 PM for T-shirt Designing, Challah Making, snacks and friends! \$7 per child.

FUN ON THE CHAGIM WITH OE
Sukkah Hop! First Day of Sukkot. All Divisions
(children 1st grade and younger must be with an
adult), 3:30-5:30 PM; Drop off and Pick up at OE
For Senior Boys in 5th and 6th Grades: Chol
Hamoed Bowling!! Sunday October 12th from 7:009:00 PM; Pick up & drop off at Brunswick
Zone, 790 US Highway 1 in North Brunswick.
\$12 per boy.

Please RSVP for each of these programs to oechildren@gmail.com. Please specify shirt size for the Sprouts and Juniors program

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,

MA'AYANOT YESHIVA HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS ANNUAL YOM IYUN

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 is pleased to invite the community to their annual Yom Iyun on Tzom Gedalia, Sept 28th, from 9:30am 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

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@qmail.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 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.

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 11am. 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

to<u>aamission@arieltours.com</u> on or after Sept 1. **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

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

info call JFS: 732-777-1940 or email:

-Bikur Cholim OWLS (Overnight Women Labor Support): If you are an expectant mother and don't have coverage with a family member or a friend to stay with your kids when it is time to go to the hospital, Bikur Cholim offers a complimentary service. Volunteers will come to stay with your kids during the night. Please note that this service is only provided for maternity situations. Please call at least 3 weeks before the due date, if not sooner, to be able to make the necessary arrangements. For more info on receiving this service or to find out about becoming a volunteer, please contact Rikki at 732-249-5116. Thank you.

-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 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 Rd, Edison. For more info, please see contact Aviva Siegel (732) 572-

4408siegelmom@optonline.net

-SemPlus shiur: All post seminary girls in the community are invited to a Leil Hisorerus. Speaker: Rabbi Drucker. Sunday evening, September 21, upstairs in the Aguda shule at 9:15 PM. For more info, please call 908-420-0253.

-The Women's AMEN Group meets weekly on Sundays at 9:30 AM in a downstairs classroom at Congregation Ohr Torah. The group meets in the zechus of a refuah shelaimah for Menachem Mordechai ben Ophira and other Cholim in the community.

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 200 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 email the information to ENRVInfo@gmail.com.

PARK MIKVAH

The Edison/Highland Park Mikvah is open Sunday-Thursday 9-11pm. Rosh Hashanah Sept 24-26- by appointment only. Saturday night Sept 27 and October 4th, hours are 9-11pm. The remaining Saturday nights through November 1st, hours are 8:30-10:30pm. The mikvah will be closed for Yom Kippur on Friday night, October 3. Succot October 9-10 and October 16-17-by appointment only.

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

Yom Kippur

Candlelighting: 6:18 PM Kol Nidrei: 6:25 PM

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