



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi

Russell Adler- President

Parshas Vayechi

12 Tevet 5775

January 3, 2015

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| Candlelighting: | 4:24 PM |
| Mincha: | 4:30 PM |
| Shacharis: | 7:45, 9:00 & 9:15 AM |
| <i>Rabbi Hoffman's Shiur after Hashkama</i> | |
| Sof Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA): | 9:41AM |
| <i>Rabbi Luban's Sotah Shiur – 3:30 PM</i> | |
| Mincha: | 1:45 & 4:20 PM |
| <i>Shalosh Seudos Speaker: R. Shlomo Ziegler</i> | |
| Maariv: | 5:30 PM |
| Weekday Shacharis: | |
| Sun. | 7:15, 8 & 9 AM |
| Mon. & Thur | 6:17, 7:05, & 8 AM |
| <i>Earliest Talis and Tefillin: Mon., Thur. 6:22</i> | |
| Tue, Wed. & Fri. | 6:30, 7:10, & 8 AM |
| Weekday Mincha/ Maariv: | 4:30 PM |
| <i>R. Luban's Sheilos Uteshuvos Shiur – cancelled this week</i> | |
| <i>Rabbi Sauer's Daf Yomi Tyun Shiur – Sunday after 7:15 Shacharis</i> | |
| <i>Rabbi Billowitz' Halacha Shiur – Sunday after 8 AM Shacharis</i> | |
| <i>Kollel Learning: Weds. 8-10:10 PM</i> | |
| Weekday Maariv | 7:30 & 10:10 PM |
| Daf Yomi Schedule: | |
| Monday-Thursday - after 7:30 Maariv | |
| Friday-after Kabbolas Shabbos & Maariv | |
| Shabbos - 3:20 PM –no Daf Yomi at 8:15 or after Hashkama | |
| Sunday-after 8AM Shacharis | |

-David & Fay Moskovic in memory of Fay Moskovic's mother Sabina Sarah Schlusberg Z"l
-Mel Barenholtz in memory of Mynda Kate Barenholtz Z"l

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Please reserve January 13 at 8:30 pm for a meeting of the membership. The agenda will include:

1. 2015 budget
2. Yomim Naraim Shaliach Tzibbor
3. Dinner update
4. Credit card update

OHR TORAH ANNUAL YOUTH RAFFLE

Please help support Ohr Torah's youth groups by purchasing raffle ticket(s). The cost of the tickets are one for \$36, two for \$70, or 3 for \$100. The drawing will be held at the annual Shul dinner on March 8th. Please contact Barry Siegel, Josh Caplan, Charlie Gershbaum, Jeff Klein or Meir Berg to purchase tickets.

All proceeds support the OT Youth programs. Thank you.

MAZEL TOV

... to Evelyn and Jeffrey Berg on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Joseph Segal, at the Young Israel of East Brunswick. Mazel tov to his parents, Yael and Josh Segal, siblings Tamar, Zevi and Ruthie, aunt Bracha and uncle Mayer and their children, aunt Lisa and uncle David and their children.
...to Cheryl and Avi Willinger and Margaret and Yaakov Gorlin upon the engagement of their children, Meir and Basya. Mazel Tov to Meir's grandparents, Seymour and Malkie Herman and to Basya's grandparents, Dr. Morris and Marilyn Gorlin. Another neighborhood shidduch.

CHAIM V CHESD

The Chaim V Chesed House would like to purchase two pairs of Tefillin, two Talaisim, Siddurim and Seforim in memory of our Beloved Gabbai Yosef Yitzchok ben Zev Halevi, Z"l, Joel Adler. The Tefillin and Tallisim will be used by family members staying at the Chaim V Chesed House who have relatives hospitalized at Robert Wood Johnson Hospital and do not have their Tallit and Tefillin with them. Checks should be made payable to Cong. Ohr Torah and note Chaim V Chesed House in the memo line. Checks should be mailed to Moshe Wiesel, 11 Fairhill Road, Edison, New Jersey 08817

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS COMMUNITY KOLLEL BREAKFAST

Dr. Moshe Schneider, Chairman of the 7th Annual Highland Park Community Kollel Breakfast, is pleased to announce that the Guests of Honor for this year's Breakfast will be Mr. and Mrs. Chaim & Raizy Krauss. The breakfast will iy'H take place at Congregation Ohr Torah on Sunday Morning, February 1st 2015 at 9:30am. The Guest Speaker will be HaRav Yaakov Busel *Shlit'a*, Rosh HaYeshiva of Rabbi Jacob Joseph School (RJJ), Edison, NJ. Invitations and additional information will be forthcoming. We look forward to greeting you there.

NORPAC

Mark your calendars-upcoming NORPAC Washington mission May 13, 2015.

RPRY

-Come join RPRY as we celebrate the completion of Sefer Bereishit at our Shma Under the Stars event, this Motzei Shabbat, Jan 3rd, from 7-8pm at RPRY - 2 Harrison St, Edison. All prospective and current parents and students (ages 2-6) are invited. Children should come in pajamas. To RSVP, contact Morah Phyllis at 732-572-5052 x215 or pdenberg@rpry.org. We look forward to a special evening together!

-RPRY Parlor Meeting for current and prospective families - Tuesday, 1/6, 8:30 pm, at the home of Sari and Michael Klerer, 16 Celler Road, Edison. Come and learn more about WHY RPRY!

-RPRY Parlor Meeting for current and prospective families - Monday 1/12, 8:30 pm, at the home of Deena and Adam Schindelheim, 2 Franklin Court, EB. Come and learn more about WHY RPRY!

RJJ LUNCHEON AND CHINESE AUCTION THIS SUNDAY

The Rabbi Jacob Joseph School will be having their Annual Ladies Luncheon and Chinese Auction this Sunday, January 4, 2015 at 12:00 pm at Cong Ohr Torah, 48 Edgemount Rd Edison, NJ. There is no covert to attend and there will be complimentary babysitting on site. Rebbetzin Aviva Feiner, an acclaimed speaker from Woodmere, NY, will be speaking and Mrs. Rachelle Stern will be hosting. This year's luncheon will be honoring Mrs. Marcia Langer of East Brunswick, in memory of her mother, Mrs. Judith Stern a"h. Any questions please call 732-985-6533 or email RJJEdison@gmail.com. We look forward to seeing you there.

BLOOD DONATIONS NEEDED

Bikur Cholim is seeking A+ or O+ donors for a local boy who is undergoing surgery mid-January at RWJ University Hospital. If you are in good health, at least 16 years old and weigh at least 110 lbs. and interested in donating blood, please contact Cyrel Brudny at CBrudny@gmail.com or leave a message at 732-819-7935.

ACTT

The ACTT (Achieving Change Through Torah) program helps individuals succeed in making meaningful and lasting changes in their lives. The current source book is: "Living Emunah –

KIDDUSH

Kiddush is sponsored by Bella and Henry Lerner in memory of the Yahrtzeit of Bella's father Moshe Mayer ben Aharon Yosef A"H. Kiddush sponsorship is available for Jan 24th & 31st. February 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th. To sponsor a Kiddush or reserve the Kiddush room, please contact Mel Barenholtz in person, or by phone or email: mbarenh@yahoo.com.

TEEN KIDDUSH

The Kiddush at the teen Minyan is sponsored by Aviva & Barry Siegel in honor of their children and for the Yahtzeit of Barry's uncle Lazer Moshe ben Yechezkel Z"l and in appreciation of the OT youth program lead by Mayer Berg & Ami Avraham.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is co-sponsored by:
-Shoshana and Brian Allen
-Rhona and Michael Esner
-Nechama and Michael Samel
-Susan and Ira Smith for the Refuah Shelaimah of Rochel bas Devorah.

SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:
-Lorraine and Ira Spiler, Ora and Michael Rapfogel in memory of Joel Adler Z"l

REMINDER: The emergency Defibrillators are located on the wall in the upstairs hallway and on the wall in the downstairs entry hallway.

PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR MORE OHR TORAH INFORMATION

Achieving a Life of Serenity through Faith". For more info, see the ACTT web-site, www.actt613.org, e-mail info@actt613.org or call Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762

THE 2nd ANNUAL RARITAN VALLEY COMMUNITY POLAND PILGRIMAGE

After last year's great success.... Join us this July 12-20, 2015 for an uplifting, inspiring and unforgettable journey through hundreds of years of Jewish history and heritage. We will visit the cities of Warsaw, Krakow, Lodz and Lublin as well as the Chassidic centers of Gur and Lezajsk. We will also tell the story of the Shoah visiting Auschwitz, Majdanek, Belzec, and other moving and significant sites. Rabbi Shraga Gross will be joining us for this incredible journey.

We wish to preserve the intimacy of this experience and so space will be limited. There will also be an opportunity to personalize the itinerary if requests are received early enough. For more info contact: Nitzza Adler at: (732) 670 4649 or email morahnitzza28@gmail.com

FOR WOMEN

-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 information on receiving this service or to find out about becoming a volunteer, please contact Rikki at 732-249-5116. Thank you.

-Rabbi Bassous: class for women on Sunday morning at 10AM at Cong. Etz Ahaim. Book to be studied: Battle Plan by Rebbetzin Tziporah Heller and Sara Yocheved Rigler.

-Tiferes, a Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation program for women, will meet Motzai Shabbos, January 10 at 8:15 PM at the home of Aviva Siegel, 16 Edgemount Rd, Edison. An inspirational DVD will be shown. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are also available to Tiferes members. Current series: Voices in Parenting with Mrs. Ruthie Lynn. 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.

-Rabbi Weiss will be giving a weekly shiur for men and women on the Parsha with a focus on Emunah and Bitachon on Wednesday nights at 9:15 PM at the home of Marsha Eiserman 154 N. 10th Ave HP, -Rebbitzen Eichenstein's classes for women: No class on Sunday, Jan 4 due to RJJ luncheon at 12:00 PM at Ohr Torah; Please contact Aviva Siegel on Sunday evening at 732-572-4408 siegelmom@optonline.net for status of Monday evening Parsha class.

-Women's Learning Initiative: Mrs. Leah Drillman's Shimiras Haloshon class: Mon. night, January 5 at 7:30 PM at the home of Ellen Smith, 407 North Eighth Ave., Edison. For more info, please call Ellen 201-410-1893 or 732-777-6787.

-SemPlus shiur for post seminary girls: For more info on Wednesday night class, please call 732-841-1885.

-Mrs. Miri Cohen's Parsha class: Wednesday, January 7 at 9:15 AM at the home of Rikki Samel,

427 Dennison St, Highland Park. Please call 206-376-9027 on Tuesday evening to confirm that shiur will take place as scheduled.

RARITAN VALLEY HADASSAH

-2015 Tu B'Shevat Seder: Wed, Feb 4, 7 pm. Join us as the Raritan Valley Chapter of Hadassah and Raritan Valley Young Women Hadassah, L'Dor V'Dor come together for our 2015 Tu B'Shevat Seder on Wed, Feb 4 at 7pm. at the Highland Park Senior Center, 220 S Sixth Ave. There is a \$5 couvert at the door. Light refreshments will be provided. Pplease contact Neshama at 908-227-4869 or shamrela30@hotmail.com.

-January Membership Meeting: Tuesday, Jan 20, 7:30PM. Highland Park Senior Center.

"Everything You Wanted to Know about Your Computer but Were Afraid to Ask". Michael Beberman of CyberKnight Computers will talk about Computer Literacy and Security and his recent visit to Hadassah Hospital.

-Book Club: The next meeting of the Book Club will be held on Sun, Jan 4, at 7pm. (place to be decided). We are starting a new book, As Dreamers by Yossi Klein Halevi. All are welcome! Please contact Gustine Matt at gustinematt@gmail.com or 732-545-3147 if you would like to join us.

YESHIVA OF ELIZABETH OPEN HOUSE

Join us at the JEC's Yeshiva of Elizabeth Early Childhood Open House on Tuesday, Jan 6 at 8 PM at the home of Yitz and Debbie Stern - 220 Surrey Rd, Hillside, for an excellent opportunity to meet administrators, faculty, current and future parents and hear why families from Elizabeth, Hillside, Springfield, Linden, West Orange, Staten Island, Passaic, Clifton, and beyond are all raving about YOE's EC Program! Call 908-355-4850 or email Yeshiva@theJEC.org for more info!

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS AFTER-WORK DINNER & DRINKS

The JEC Alumni Network Presents: Socialize | Connect | Engage - After-Work Dinner & Drinks for Young Professionals. Ronit Appel, Bruriah '04 & Doron Greenspan, RTMA '07, Co-Chairs. Spouses welcome. No cover charge. Wed, Jan 7, 2015 from 6-8 PM at Cong Ohav Shalom-270 W. 84th St, New York, NY. For more info 908-355-4850, ext. 6248.

CHUGEI IVRIT

We run two Chugei Ivrit :one for advanced-beginners and the other for intermediate to advanced Hebrew speakers. They will both meet on Sunday, Jan 25 .The advanced beginner meets from 10-11a .and is followed by the intermediate level 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 we are meeting in January, contact Rachel Weintraub at rachel@weintraubworld.net or .732-819-9298

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 e-mail the information to ENRVInfo@gmail.com.

PARK MIKVAH

The Highland Park Mikvah is extending its winter hours! For the months of Jan, and February, the mikvah will be open: Sun -Thurs evenings from 7 PM - 10pm ; Friday nights by appointment only.

Saturday nights in Jan 7:30 - 10 PM. Sat night hours for the month of Feb to be announced. Please arrive with enough time to be out before closing time. For more info, call 732-249-2411 or email hpmikvah@gmail.com. Thank you.

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.

OHR TORAH NEWSLETTER: To subscribe to these Announcements, please see the Ohr Torah website:www.ohrtorah.net

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

BUILDING DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIES

Contact Moshe Schneider at 732-618-4702.

TREE OF LIFE / 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 luddeju@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

YAHRZEIT DATABASE: To register a family member in the Yahrzeit data base, please follow this link <http://www.tinyurl.com/ot613> or speak with Ralph Dessau or Gene Wasserman.

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

Parshas Shemot

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| Candlelighting | 4:30 PM |
| Mincha | 4:40 PM |

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