



# Congregation Ohr Torah

## Weekly Announcements

<http://www.ohrtorah.net>

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Parshas Vayera

18 Cheshvan 5776

October 31, 2015

**Candlelighting:** 5:39 PM

**Mincha:** 5:45 PM

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

*Rabbi Hoffman's Halacha Iyun Shiur  
after Hashkama*

**Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A):** 10:03AM

*Rabbi Luban's Taanis Shiur – 4:40PM*

**Mincha:** 1:45 & 5:30 PM

*Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Shlomo Channen from  
Jerusalem*

**Maariv:** 6:40 PM

**REMEMBER CLOCKS GO BACK ONE HOUR  
AT 2AM SUNDAY.**

**Weekday Shacharis:**

**Sun.** 7:15, 8 & 9 AM

**Mon & Thur** 6:20, 7:05, & 8AM

**Tues, Wed, & Fri** 6:30, 7:10, & 8 AM

**Weekday Mincha/ Maariv:** 4:35 PM

**Late Maariv:** 7:30 & 10:10 PM

*R.Luban's Sheilos Uteshuvos Shiur- Mon. 9:10 PM*

*Rabbi Sauer's Daf Yomi Iyun Shiur – Sunday after  
7:15 AM Shacharis*

*Rabbi Billowitz' Halacha Shiur – Sunday after 8 AM  
Shacharis*

*Tuesday Night Tehillim – 9:50- 10:10 PM*

*Kollel Learning: Wednesday 8-10:10 PM*

**Daf Yomi**

Friday-after Maariv

Shabbos -one hour before Mincha

Sunday- after 8am Shacharis

Monday –Thursday- after 7:30 Maariv

### **KIDDUSH**

Kiddush this week is co-sponsored by:

-Rona & Seymour Kessel to commemorate the 10th Yahrzeit of Rona's mother, Gladys Koppelman, Gittel Devorah bas Dov Bear, A"H.

-Nitza and Russell Adler to commemorate the first Yahrzeit of Russell's mother, Marion Adler, Chana bas Menachem, A"H.

Kiddush sponsorship is available for November 21st & December 5th, 19th & 26th and January 23rd & 30th.

### **SHALOSH SEUDOS**

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Lorraine and Ira Spiler in memory of the yahrzeit of Ira's father Mr. Abraham Spiler, Avraham ben Simcha A"H.

### **OT YOUTH SKATING EVENT**

Motzei Shabbat **Nov 7th at 6:30PM** sharp, Ohr Torah youth in grades 4 thru 8 are headed by school bus to the Woodbridge Community Center (formerly United Skates of America) for a fun evening of roller skating. We will return to the Shul at **9:15 PM**. Cost is \$20 per child in advance or \$25 at the door. Price includes bus transportation to/from facility, 1 1/2 hour use of roller skating/blading rink, roller skate or blade rentals, 10 tokens per child for use at the arcade games in the arena and snacks/drinks at the facility.

Please make reservations online at the OT website, [ohrtorah.net](http://ohrtorah.net) or via email at [marcberg@verizon.net](mailto:marcberg@verizon.net). Checks can be dropped off at the Ohr Torah Shul mailbox @ 48 Edgemount Rd in Edison or given to me on the night of the event. Thank you, Mayer Berg Dir of Youth Activities.

### **SHUL CAMPAIGN**

Congregation Ohr Torah has launched a campaign to raise the funds necessary to retire the Shul's debt (burn our mortgage), support the Shul's anticipated infrastructure repairs and improvements (especially the roof and A/C systems), and support new and expanded programs for all members. One goal of the campaign is to engage the entire membership of our Shul - including family members who joined our congregation after the completion of the two capital campaigns that made the creation and existence of our current facility possible - in the sacred task of building, sustaining and growing our Shul.

The financial goal of the campaign is \$500,000, to be pledged and received over a three-year period. To date, 40% of the goal has already been raised with commitments of more than \$200,000 received from 23 membership units of the Shul.

For more information on how you can participate in this campaign to "Protect our Past and Secure our Future", please contact David Moss

at [davidmoss18@gmail.com](mailto:davidmoss18@gmail.com) or [732-690-8817](tel:732-690-8817), Josh Caplan

at [joshcaplan@gmail.com](mailto:joshcaplan@gmail.com) or [732-572-5991](tel:732-572-5991), or Russell Adler at

[otprez613@gmail.com](mailto:otprez613@gmail.com) or [\(732\) 670-4641](tel:732-670-4641).

### **HAKAMAT MATZEIVAH FOR DAVID KORNFELD**

The Hakamat Matzeivah for David Kornfeld will be 12 noon on November 15 at the Washington Cemetery (Deans) South Brunswick, New Jersey.

### **SAVE THE DATE!**

First Annual OT Progressive Dinner will take place on Motzai Shabbos, December 19th. More information to follow. Any questions? Contact Committee members Nitza Adler, Gila Ginsberg, Lois Goldsmith, Alisa Hercman, Riki Kreitman, Chani Weisel or Honey Wisotsky.

### **ENHANCING OUR TEFILLA EXPERIENCE**

*Concentrate on every Tefillah about Shalom,  
(Sim Shalom, Shalom Rav, Oseh Shalom, ...)*

### **ORTHODOX FORUM**

The Orthodox Forum of Edison/Highland Park presents Professor Marc Shapiro on

Saturday Night, Nov 7, 8 pm at Ohr Torah, who will discuss *Some Unusual Orthodox Jewish Responses To The Rise Of Nazism*. Professor Shapiro, Chair in Judaic Studies at the University of Scranton, will address the questions, "How should Jews have responded to the rise of Nazism?" and "What insights do Talmudic texts offer regarding these matters?" The program is free of charge. The Orthodox Forum gladly accepts season sponsorships, as well as program sponsorships. For more info email [hpeditonorthodoxforum@gmail.com](mailto:hpeditonorthodoxforum@gmail.com).

### **RETIREE LUNCH AND LEARN**

A Woman Called Golda. This film spans Golda Meir's life and it is 3 hours in length. We will be showing Part I on Nov. 17 and Part II On Dec. 8 (Chanukah). Because of the video's length, there will be no speaker. Date: Tues, Nov. 17, 2015 Time:12:00 noon Location:Ohr Torah Synagogue, 48 Edgemount Rd., Edison, NJ.

The program will include a light lunch. There will be a charge of \$10 per person to help defray the cost of the meal.

RSVP by Sunday prior to the event to Bella [blerner18@optonline.net](mailto:blerner18@optonline.net) 732 317-1786, Mildred 732 572-1712, or Marcia [ppheffer@verizon.net](mailto:ppheffer@verizon.net) 732 572-5998

### **BNEI AKIVA**

Snif this week at 4:30!! Learn about religious Zionism with fun games, food, and friends!!! Hope to see you there!!!

### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **GET OUT AND VOTE!!!**

Teach NJS, a partnership of 20 day schools, 2 Federations and the Orthodox Union Advocacy Center, reminds YOU to Get Out and Vote on November 3, 2015. Polls are open from 6AM to 8PM.

This year, is the first time since 1999 that the State Assembly is the highest office on the ballot. It is anticipated that the statewide turnout will be less than 20%. This gives our community a unique opportunity to be noticed and heard if everyone comes out and votes. This will increase our chance for successfully advocating for increased funding from Trenton, for our children's education.

#### **RPRY GAMENIGHT**

RPRY PTA presents GAMENIGHT. Kids, grab your parents and come join the fun as we play some great GAMEWRIGHT games. This Saturday night, Oct 31st in the RPRY Beit Midrash 7:45pm. The event is free. Games are available for purchase that will be available for Chanukah gifts.

#### **AN EVENING WITH MOSAB HASSAN YOUSEF**

Join RPRY on Nov 15, at 6pm for a special screening of "The Green Prince" followed by an in person discussion with the Son of Hamas, Mosab Hassan Yousef. At 8:30pm, join us for a VIP

**REMINDER: The emergency Defibrillators are located on the wall in the upstairs hallway and on the wall in the downstairs entry hallway. CHEVRA HATZOLAH OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY 732-640-5545**

Private Reception with Mr. Yousef. For more info, pricing and to place a reservation, visit [www.rpry.org](http://www.rpry.org) by Monday, November 9th.

#### **ATTENTION SINGLES**

A Weekend Bash(eirt): A Modern Orthodox Singles Shabbaton will host its next singles shabbaton Shabbos Dec 4th-5th at OE for women ages 25-35 and men ages 28-38. Find your bashert in a relaxed, enjoyable environment without having to travel far. Please visit our website to register and learn more about the event:

[aweekendbasheirt.com](http://aweekendbasheirt.com). Questions? Please contact Leale Cohen at [aweekendbasheirt@gmail.com](mailto:aweekendbasheirt@gmail.com).

#### **MESIVTHA TIFERETH JERUSALEM ANNUAL MELAVE MALKA**

The Annual Mesivtha Tifereth Jerusalem Melave Malka will be held on Motzei Shabbat Nov 7, 8PM at Ohav Emeth. The guests of honor are Rabbi and Mrs. Yisroel Weiss who will receive the Keser Torah award and Mr. and Mrs. Alan Lustiger who will receive the Keser Shem Tov award. Hagaon Harav Reuven Feinstein, Shlit'a, will be the guest speaker. Please call Shimon Jakubovic for information and reservations.

#### **MTA OPEN HOUSE**

Yeshiva University High School for Boys (MTA) Open House! Sunday, November 8<sup>th</sup> Registration at 9:00am; Program Begins 9:30am. Pre-register at [yuhsb.org/openhouse](http://yuhsb.org/openhouse). Complimentary parking will be available in Yeshiva University's Lot E on Amsterdam Avenue between 182nd and 183rd Streets

#### **BRURIAH HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE**

Sunday, Nov 1, at 9:30 am at The Jewish Educational Center's Bruria Campus - 35 North Avenue, Elizabeth. Join us to learn about our engaging and empowering Lmudei Kodesh curriculum, competitive STEM track, award winning athletics program, etc. Open to all current female 8th graders and their parents. Please pre-register at [Bruria.theJEC.org](http://Bruria.theJEC.org) or for any questions call [908-355-4850](tel:908-355-4850).

#### **YAD LEAH CLOTHING DRIVE**

When: Sunday, Nov 8th from 9:30AM to 12:30PM  
Where: Cong Ohav Emeth (O.E.), main entrance on Dennison Ave. thru the parking lot. Please donate clothing in good wearable condition only. Linens, towels, tablecloths, handbags, cosmetics & hair accessories are also accepted in good condition. *Shoes are no longer accepted.* Bring all in tied garbage bags. Men's and Boy's black hats in good condition may also be donated. Yad Leah will distribute to over 15 communities throughout Israel. A minimum \$18 donation is requested per donor (checks made out to American Friends of Yad Leah) to help defray the shipping & processing costs. Receipts will be provided by Yad Leah for the money & clothing (&/or miscellaneous items) contributed. If anyone has any questions or would like to volunteer or sponsor shipping costs, please call Mordy Brill at 732-819-8351 or e-mail at [mordb@msn.com](mailto:mordb@msn.com).

#### **JEWISH GENEALOGY CLUB**

The genealogy club under the auspices of the Jewish Historical Society of Central Jersey will hold its next meeting on Thursday, Nov 12, at 7PM at the Ahavas Achim Synagogue 261 South First Ave, Highland Park, NJ. For further info call the JHSCJ at [732-249-4894](tel:732-249-4894)

#### **PRE-CHANUKAH BOUTIQUE**

Pre-Chanukah Boutique in Support of One Family Fund: Join us Motzai Shabbos, Nov 7th from 8:30-

10:30 at 25 Price Dr, Edison. Vendors include Beanie Bandz of Edison (hair extensions too!), Edison Edibles, The Sterling Society, Mekor Fitness, Fascinators by Deena, Fancy That Hat, and The Cake Pop Shoppe.

#### **RAE KUSHNER YESHIVA HIGH SCHOOL**

-Please join us Sunday, Nov 1st at 8PM, at the home of the Schanzer Family, 25 Perry Rd, Edison, NJ for a community informational meeting about Rae Kushner Yeshiva High School.  
-Rae Kushner Yeshiva High School invites all 8th graders and their parents to come to its Open House Sunday, Nov 15th. Registration begins at 9am followed by the program 9:30 am. register at [www.jkha.org/RKYHSEOpenHouse](http://www.jkha.org/RKYHSEOpenHouse). For more info, contact Shawn Tarzik at [starzik@jkha.org](mailto:starzik@jkha.org) or [862-437-8064](tel:862-437-8064).

#### **SUPPORT YACHAD ISRAEL**

Sadly, with the unsettling news out of Israel each day, our protecting soldiers are taxed more than ever – NOW is a most appropriate time to support and thank them in any way we can. Yachad Israel will be making and delivering pizzas to our IDF soldiers. \$36 = one pie. Donate a pie today at [yachad.org/pizza4soldiers](http://yachad.org/pizza4soldiers). Before delivery, you will be notified that the pizza is on its way and to where it is going.

#### **YACHAD NEWS**

YACHAD participants are invited to join us for pottery painting at Make Me Take Me in Highland Park. Sunday, Nov 8<sup>th</sup> from 1-3 PM. There is a \$10 charge for this event. A simultaneous parent workshop on summer camp planning for your special needs child will be held as well. To RSVP email [middlesexyachad@ou.org](mailto:middlesexyachad@ou.org) or call Bracha at [718.440.0099](tel:718.440.0099)

Yachad Shabbos Buddies: Looking for teens interested in visiting Yachad members on Shabbos afternoons for some friendship and fun. Call or text Bracha at [718.440.0099](tel:718.440.0099) if you're interested!

#### **FOR WOMEN**

-Tiferes DVD for women: Motzai Shabbos, Nov. 21 at 9PM at the Siegel house. Current weekly teleconferences series: "Can I deal with this?! Honest discussion and practical tips" with Mrs. Rochel Goldbaum. For more info, please contact Aviva [sieglmom@optonline.net](mailto:sieglmom@optonline.net). The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.  
- Mrs. Miri Cohen's Thursday morning Parsha class will meet Thursday at 10AM at Riki Samel's house. Please call the hotline to confirm at [206-666-8911](tel:206-666-8911).  
-SemPlus evening shiur for post seminary girls will meet on Wednesday evening. Please call the hotline to confirm at [732-841-1885](tel:732-841-1885).

-Rebbitzen Eichenstein's classes for women: No classes on Sunday, Nov. 1; Parsha class on Monday, Nov. 2 at 8:00 PM at Cong. Ohr Torah. For more info, please contact Aviva at [732-572-4408](tel:732-572-4408) or [sieglmom@optonline.net](mailto:sieglmom@optonline.net)  
-Women's Learning Initiative: Mrs. Leah Drillman's Shimiras Haloshon class: Monday, Nov 2 at 7:30 PM at the home of Ellen Smith, 407 North Eighth Ave., Edison. For more info, please call Ellen at [201-410-1893](tel:201-410-1893) or [732-777-6787](tel:732-777-6787).

--The date of the Chicks with Sticks Knitting Group has been changed to WED, NOV 4th at 7PM. As usual, we will meet at 209 N Fourth Avenue in Highland Park. If you have any questions, please contact Phyllis Pollak at [phypollak@yahoo.com](mailto:phypollak@yahoo.com) or [732-246-7366](tel:732-246-7366).

#### **HIGHLAND PARK MIKVAH**

The Highland Park Mikvah hours for Standard Time: Starting Nov 1st, Sunday–Thursday evenings 8PM – 10:30 PM; Friday nights by appointment only. Oct 31: 8:30 – 10:30, Nov 7, 14, 21, and 28: 7:30 – 10:00. Please arrive with enough time to be out before closing time. For more info, call [732-249-2411](tel:732-249-2411) or email [hpmikvah@gmail.com](mailto:hpmikvah@gmail.com). Thank you. Park Mikvah

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

**KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP:** To sponsor a Kiddush or reserve the Kiddush room, please contact Mel Barenholtz by email: [mbarenh@yahoo.com](mailto:mbarenh@yahoo.com).

**SHALOSH SEUDOS SPONSORSHIP:** To sponsor a Shalosh Seudos, please contact Moshe Wiesel.

#### **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 Eitz Chayim 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 732-572-7299.

**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)

**YAHRZEIT DATABASE:** To register a family member in the Yahrzeit data base, please go to [ohrtorah.net](http://ohrtorah.net) and click "Register for OT Yahrzeit Notification" or speak with Ralph Dessau or Gene Wasserman.

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

#### **Shabbos Chayei Sarah**

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

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