



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

<http://www.ohrtorah.net>

48 Edgemount Road Edison, NJ 08817

Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi

Jeff Klein- President

Rabbi Sariel Malitzky – Assistant Rabbi

Parshas Beshalach – Shabbat Shirah

15 Shevat 5777

February 11, 2017

Candlelighting: 5:09 PM

Mincha: 5:15 PM

Shacharis: 7:45, 9:00 & 9:34 AM

Rabbi Hoffman's Halacha B'iyun Shiur after Hashkama

Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A): 9:37 AM

Rabbi Luban's Taanis Shiur – 4:15 PM

Rabbi Malitzky's Mishnayos Shiur for 6-8 grade boys – cancelled this week

Mincha: 1:45 & 5:05PM

Shalosh Seudos speaker: Rabbi Josh Cypess

Maariv: 6:15 PM

Shabbos Ends: 6:18 PM

Weekday Shacharis

Sun 7:15, 8 & 9 AM

Mon. & Thur: 6:20, 7:15, & 8 AM

Tues, Weds. & Fri. 6:30, 7:10, & 8 AM

Weekday Mincha/ Maariv: 5:15PM

Late Maariv: 7:30 & 10:10 PM

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

the committee, please contact Susie Wolf at susiezwolf@gmail.com or Riki Kreitman at riki.kreitman@gmail.com.

MAZEL TOV

... to Allan & Laini Weitz and Dorene Schwartz-Weitz on the birth of a granddaughter to their children Zecharia and Leah Weitz in Columbus Ohio. Mazal tov to the baby's siblings and the entire Weitz & Tisser Families.

...to Honey and Max Wisotsky on the marriage of their grandson Avi to Rachelle Block . Mazal Tov to the parents, Susan and Dan Wisotsky of Clifton, and Rabbi Chaim and Toby Block of Monsey; grandparents Arlene and Sam Kaye of West Orange, Rabbi and Mrs. Zvi Block of Los Angeles, Rabbi and Mrs. Yisroel Fishman of Brooklyn and great grandmother Mildred Block of Arizona.

LUNCH AND LEARN

Save the Date Tuesday, March 14 Tuesday, May 2nd will be the next one. Retiree Lunch and Learn Presents The Courageous Heart of Irena Sendler. This movie is based on the remarkable true story of World War II hero Irena Sendler, who rescued over 2,500 Jewish children during the German occupation of Poland. Program includes a light lunch from our very own Jerusalem Pizza. It is open to all retirees in the community and will be a wonderful opportunity to socialize with each other in a meaningful way. There will be a charge of \$10pp to help defray the cost of the meal. Location: Ohr Torah Synagogue, 48 Edgemount Rd, Edison, NJ Date: Tuesday, March 14th Time: Noon RSVP Bella blerner18@optonline.net 732 317-1786, Mildred 732 572-1712, or Marcia ppheffer@verizon.net 732 572-5998

OHR TORAH SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

- Lynn and Marc Hanfling in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Zev Klein
- Moshe & Susan Wiesel in memory of Arnie Koenigson's father Max Koenigson Z"L
- Michael & Penny Kaplan in memory of Jonathan Teitelbaum's father Naftali Teitelbaum Z"L
- Michael & Penny Kaplan in memory of Arnie Koenigson's father Max Koenigson Z"L
- David & Fay Moskovic in memory of Binyamin Ben Shmuel Gross Z"L

- Barry & Rosa Katz in memory of Jay Reinhard's mother Arline Reinhard Z"L

LOST AND FOUND

Someone by mistake took a pair of brown leather gloves that were in the coatroom last week. If you have them please contact Neer Even-Hen

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

HIGHLAND PARK/EDISON CONNECTS

The women of our community are invited to our Winter 2017 Melave Malka featuring a very special guest speaker! A former IDF soldier, who grew up in this community and who served during the recent Operation Protective Edge will be sharing inspiring stories of Achdus and how that CONNECT's to our community! This very special no-charge event will be taking place on Motzai Shabbos, March 4th, 2017 at 8pm at the home of Rachelle and Zev Stern, 474 Lincoln Ave, HP. (Speaker to begin at 8:30 sharp to leave plenty of mingling time afterwards!) Whether you have recently moved in and are looking to meet people, or whether you have been here for years and want to reconnect with old friends and make new ones, we encourage you to come! For more info please email Faygie Lobel at FayMLobel@gmail.com or Elleshiang@gmail.com.

RPRY

-RPRY PLUS and the RPRY Alumni Assoc. invite the whole community to Coach Gila's cooking demo and workshop on TOP TIPS FOR HEALTHY EATING. Sunday Feb 26 at 8pm at RPRY. Coach Gila (RPRY Class of '87!) is Dir of Main Asset Health and at this event you will get to taste the food she prepares right in front of you and go home with a copy of her featured recipes! Cost is \$15 in advance/\$20 at the door. Sponsorships available and include admission: \$54 (VIP seating)/\$72 (VIP seating and special gift)/ \$180 (VIP seating and phone consult with Coach Gila!). For questions and reservations please mail RPRYPLUS@rpry.org

- RPRY will be hosting a screening of the film "Screenagers" on February 7th at 7:00pm. Parents with children in 4th grade and older are encouraged to attend. In the movie, the filmmaker explores the complexities families contend with over social media, video games, academics and internet addiction. Physician and filmmaker Delaney Ruston was struggling with these issues with her own children. She learned that the average child spends 6.5 hours a day looking at screens. She wondered about the impact of all this time spent on screens and the difficulties that parents and schools face around negotiating screen time. Through stories, insights from authors, psychologists, and brain scientists, "Screenagers" reveals how tech time impacts children's development and offers solutions on how adults

SHIURIM

Rabbi Luban's Monday night Shiur – Monday 9:10 PM

Daf Yomi Iyoun Shiur with Rabbi Sauer – after 7:15 Shacharis on Sunday

Gemara with Rabbi Malitzky: Tuesday Night 9:20 PM

TNL with Rabbi Malitzky: Thursday night

February 16 - YFM@9:15pm.

Understanding the meaning behind two ancient prevalent customs: covering the challah and salt on the challah.

Daf Yomi

Mon-Thurs after 7:30 Maariv

Friday Nite –after Maariv

Shabbos-8:15 am

Sunday-after 8 am Shacharis

KIDDUSH

Kiddush cosponsored by Gila and Ephraim Gerszberg to commemorate the yahrtzeit of Ephraim's father Shabtai ben Shlomo A"H, and Temima and Symcha Klerer in memory of both of their fathers.

Kiddush sponsorship is available for Feb 25th and March 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Helene and Alan Weitz in honor of the birth of a new granddaughter.

OHR TORAH ANNUAL DINNER

Save the Date!

Please join us on Sunday, April 30 for the Ohr Torah Annual Dinner. Details to follow.

CELEBRATING YOM HA'ATZMAUT/YOM YERUSHALAYIM!

A committee is forming to organize and schedule Ohr Torah's celebration of Yom Ha'atzmaut and Jerusalem's Jubilee Year on Yom Yerushalayim. If you would like to join

REMINDER: Emergency Defibrillators are located on the upstairs wall hallway & the entry hallway downstairs. Please note the location of the new First Aid Kits mounted on the wall below/above each Defibrillator.

CHEVRA HATZOLAH OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY 732-456-6666

can empower them to best navigate the digital world and find balance.

HATZOLAH OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY MEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Hatzolah of Middlesex County is proud to present its 2nd annual Men's Basketball Tournament! Tournament will be held at 71 Ethel Rd W, Piscataway NJ on Sunday, March 5th from 5-9 PM. Open to all Men ages 16 & up. Entry Fee: \$65 per person or \$250 per team (4 players per team). 100% of all proceeds goes to Hatzolah of Middlesex County. Registration deadline Feb 23. For info or to register, please e-mail tournament@hatzolahmc.org. To pay online, visit www.hatzolahmc.org.

CHAI LIFELINE

The Raritan Valley community will be hosting a Chai Lifeline "Friends & Fun" Shabbaton, bringing 25-30 girls (7-15 yrs old) who have life-threatening illnesses to our neighborhood for a weekend of fun on March 4. Please help us make this an event to remember. Sponsor or contribute today (all contributions will be displayed on a recognition card):

- \$1,000 - (Platinum)
- \$500 - (Gold)
- \$360 - (Silver)
- \$180 - (Sponsor)
- Up to \$ 180- Contributor

Please make checks out to "Chai Lifeline" and mail to Ohr Torah or to David Waizer, 53 North 7th Ave, Highland Park, NJ 08904.

Please join our Chai Lifeline guests at a community wide Shalosh Seudah FOR WOMEN at RPRY (time to follow).

Teenage girls from HP/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.

MOVING TO ISRAEL? MAKING ALIYAH?

Moving to Israel? Making Aliyah? Join this informative free seminar with Kef International's director, Adam Perlman, Everything You Need to Know about Shipping to Israel, Thur, Feb 23, 7:30PM, JCC on the Palisades. Learn how shipping works, planning your Aliyah shipment, how to save money, insurance, costs to be aware of, utilizing Oleh benefits...Questions are welcome! Find out more and register here:

unbouncepages.com/kefintl-seminar; or email shipping@kefintl.com

JEWISH EDUCATIONAL CENTER

-Have you heard about the Jewish Educational Center's brand new Tuition Affordability Program? Middle Income families are now eligible for a tuition cap based upon their AGI no matter how many children they have attending the JEC's three divisions - Lower School, RTMA and Bruriah! Visit the JEC's divisional websites or call the JEC to learn more about this revolutionizing program that will make tuition affordable again!

-The JEC Lower School is proud to announce the launch of JEC Juniors- its new, exciting pre-nursery track for the 2017-18 school year! Open to children ages 2 1/2 - 3. Birthday cut-off is March 31, 2015. JEC Juniors will enjoy the same amenities, programming and personal attention as the rest of the early childhood students. Now accepting applications! Please contact the JEC for a tour! LowerSchool@theJEC.org, 908-355-4850, ext. 6234. We look forward to welcoming you to our family!

NETIVOT MONTESSORI

8th Day Concert!! Yeshivat Netivot Montessori presents 8th Day live in concert Sun, Feb 19, 2:30pm, at the Jo Ann Magistro Performing Arts Center, 200 Rues Lane, E Brunswick. Tickets \$40,

\$30, and \$20. Beginning Sunday, VIP tickets, which include a meet and greet with the band after the concert, are available for \$75. Purchase tickets online at netivot.booktix.com. Groups of 10 or more receive a group discount of 10%, and processing fees are waived. Contact us at concert@mynetivot.com or [732-985-4626 ext. 4](tel:732-985-4626) for group tickets or sponsorships.

PURIM CARDS FROM THE KINDER FUND

The Kinder Fund in memory of Dina Eisner, a"h, is selling Purim Mishloach Manos cards for \$2.00 each. The cards are perfect to send to all friends & relatives. All proceeds from the sale enable The Kinder Fund to help subsidize needed services for many local children. To obtain cards, contact Tova Josefovitz at [732-572-9432](tel:732-572-9432), Shoshana Diskind at [732-572-7755](tel:732-572-7755), Lani Eisner at [732-572-1087](tel:732-572-1087) or Janice Lustiger at [732-819-4919](tel:732-819-4919) or e-mail your request to thekinderfund@gmail.com.

NACHUM SEGAL COMMUNITY WEEKEND IN EAST BRUNSWICK

The Young Israel of East Brunswick proudly presents Nachum Segal, the radio host of "JM in the AM," for a community weekend in East Brunswick. This program includes a special dinner and community oneg the evening of Friday, February 24TH and a speech, community lunch, and post-Shabbos Q&A on Saturday, February 25. Contact Ralph Rosenbaum [908-338-1966](tel:908-338-1966) for info.

ACTT

The ACTT (Achieving Change Through Torah) program helps individuals succeed in making meaningful and lasting changes in their lives. Previous ACTT module: "Kiddush Hashem 1"; Source book: "Living Kiddush Hashem" by Rabbi Shraga Freedman. "A Powerful Segulah for Yom Hadin", speaker Rabbi Dovid Goldwasser, can be downloaded or listened to from the Audio page of the ACTT web site at: www.actt613.org/3.html For more info, see the ACTT web-site, www.actt613.org, e-mail info@actt613.org or call Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762.

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 100 jobs monthly, and help people with resume and search strategies. Please help: If you know of any professional, part-time, or temp job openings, please e-mail info to ENRVInfo@gmail.com.

NORPAC MISSION

NORPAC's Mission to Washington is an annual event where we bring close to a thousand citizen activists to Washington, DC, in order to advocate for a stronger U.S.-Israel relationship with Members of Congress. Join us on Wednesday, May 17th. On a single-day trip you will meet with Members of Congress and their staff, and share your concerns with them about aid to Israel, Iranian threats, security cooperation, and more. Help us make a difference once again! Buses leave for Washington from our area at 6:30AM and return between 9-10 PM There will be briefings on the bus. All meals will be provided. Early discounted rate up to March 13. Register now for the early bird discount: www.norpac.net or call (201) 788-5133 Adults - \$125 Students - \$75 (must be over 12. Those under 18 must be accompanied by Parent or legal guardian) contact Marc Hanfling docdad@aol.com, Barry Wolf, Yosef Schreiber, Neer Even-hen for more info.

JEWISH FAMILY SERVICES

-To help alleviate hunger in our community, Jewish Family Services of Middlesex County (JFS) once again, is coordinating a special Passover

Food Appeal. JFS is asking for monetary gifts and accepting food during March and April, to benefit 700 members of our community who celebrate Passover; individuals and families who are experiencing difficult financial times in today's economic environment. Each dollar raised and every box, can or container of food collected goes to the people who need it the most. You can participate in one of the following ways: • make a monetary donation by March 16 • donate kosher food for Passover by March 26* • assemble food packages by March 26* • deliver food packages on April 2* JFS is excited to partner with Cong Beth Ohr in Old Bridge, the host site for this year's Passover activities for the 2017 Passover Food Appeal. We are counting on you for your support this Passover! Without your help, people simply may not be able to celebrate their traditions. This Passover, when you give up bread, please give it up with generosity as many people in our community are relying on you. Kindly use the enclosed form to indicate how you will help our community this 2017 Passover season. Wishing you and your family a happy, healthy Passover! -JFS has job opening for Licensed Clinical Social Workers and for an Executive Director. Please visit their website at www.jfsmiddlesex.org for more info.

BIKUR CHOLIM:

- HOSPITALITY ROOM at RWJ Univ Hospital! Located on the main floor. Go thru main entrance and bear left towards the gift shop. Turn right through double doors. Follow hall and turn right. Room is located opposite the surgical intensive care unit. You will find it fully stocked with food and any items that you might need. There is a microwave, urn, sink, table & chairs, as well as two reclining chairs. For inquiries, please call the helpline at 732-572-7181.

- TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE: Drivers and coordinators needed. Coordinate rides to and from medical appts - match requesters with an available driver. Each coordinator serves for two weeks at a time. To volunteer to coordinate or to drive, please call Bikur Cholim hotline at 732-572-7181 or fill out the volunteer form on the website bikurcholimrv.com

- WEBSITE: bikurcholimrv.com. The website provides info regarding Bikur Cholim services, including how to access our local hospitals on Shabbat, how to borrow medical equipment, and how to get prescription medication on Shabbat. -Bikur Cholim OWLS (Overnight Women Labor Support): A complimentary service for maternity situations whereby volunteers will come to stay with your kids during the night. For more info on receiving this service or becoming a volunteer, please contact Rikki at [732-249-5116](tel:732-249-5116). Thank you. -Donations of diapers, pull-ups, and wipes are currently being accepted for the new HP/Edison Diaper Gemach. Please email diapergemach@gmail.com for more info.

KHAL CHASSIDIM

Simply Tzfat kumtitz: In the week leading up to its Annual Malva Malka, Khal Chassidim is holding a special (free admission) kumtitz with our friends from Simply Tzfat on Sunday, Feb 26th at 7:30 at Rabbi Horowitz's Shteible, Khal Chassidim on 46 North 8th Avenue. This Kumtitz is among the many gatherings - in song, study and community commemoration - held in tribute to Hinda bas Yaakov Peretz, Rabbi Horowitz's precious wife a"h. We invite your community to ours in sweet song to remember a precious part of Khal Chassidim, who in the tradition of Chassidus, sought to bring comfort and support to everyone she met in the greater Highland Park community and beyond. There will be seating areas for men

and women in the Shteible Beit Midrash. Our thanks to you for sharing these words and to Simply Tzfat for making their way to Highland Park/Edison for this special tribute to our Rebbetzin Hinda Horowitz a"n.

Tu B'shvat fruit tasting: Friday night February 10th at 8pm in honor of Tu B'shvat the 9th annual fruit tasting will be taking place at Rabbi Horowitz's Shteibel on 46 North Eighth Avenue. As in the past at least 30 fruits including exotic varieties will be served. This year we will be honored to have Rabbi Tzvi and Rebbetzin Chaya Shandel Mandel. They have been involved for years in outreach, and currently serve as Rav and Rebbetzin at congregation Khal Bnei Yisroel in Flatbush, NY. Rabbi Mandel served as Rabbi of the Carlebach shul in NYC after the passing of Harav Eliya Chaim Carlebach, Ztl and as Rav in Fire Island for 15 years and other positions in Upstate NY and NJ.

NYC COUNCILMAN DAVID GREENFIELD RESCHEDULED TO SPEAK FEBRUARY 18TH

The Orthodox Forum of Edison/Highland Park presents David Greenfield discussing, "What Jews Want in the New Political Order: An Insider's View" on Saturday night Feb 18 at 8:30 at Cong Ahavas Achim. David Greenfield, a New York City Councilman who represents more Jews than any other local elected official in the world, is a rising star in New York politics. He is unabashedly supportive of the State of Israel and is a champion of many issues of importance to the Jewish community. He will share his perspective on the current national political scene and his experiences as one of the highest ranking officials in New York City government. The program is free of charge. The Orthodox Forum gladly accepts season sponsorships, as well as program sponsorships. For more info go online to www.orthodoxjewishforum.org

OHAV EMETH

Congregation Ohav Emeth's 10th Annual Purim Costume Gemach will kick off on Rosh Chodesh Adar, February 26th with great excitement. Over 800 infants to adult costumes are available to borrow. Both kids and their parents enjoy coming to see what new costumes there are and trying on new costumes. All of the costumes have been donated over the last 9 years by great community members.

The Gemach continues this year for 3 more days on Wednesday night, March 1st from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm, Sunday March 5th from 10 am-3 pm and on Tuesday March 7th from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. The cost is either a \$5 donation or 1 donated costume per costume borrowed. The gemach is located at Congregation Ohav Emeth, 415 Raritan Ave., Highland Park, NJ. For more information email costumegemach@yahoo.com or see our facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/costumegemach>

THE CHESSED FUND

We realize there are many requests for Tzedaka, all heart wrenching. However, the rules of Tzedaka are to first help your family, then help your community, then outside the community. Here is a campaign started by longtime members of our community, who are presently struggling with the serious issue of having a family member trying to recover in rehab. They need to raise about \$6,000 a month and rehab can take about a year. <https://thechesedfund.com/cause/> please-help-us-afford-rehab-to-save-our-son. Please open up your hearts and help this local family keep their son in rehab. They have been generous in the past in supporting our community and never thought they would need to ask for themselves. (Please note: Rabbi Kaufman and Rabbi Kaminetzky have

reviewed this issue and the great need of the family and encourage all to help in this extremely worthy and lifesaving effort.)

NEFESH B NEFESH

SUNDAY FEB 26TH AT John Jay College, 524 West 59th Street NYC. Mores sessions and wider selection of topics. Medical Professionals Seminar; Israel "Shuk" with food and music; Children's Programs; Vendor Fair with 50+ Israel service providers. Register today: www.nbn.org.il/mega

FOR WOMEN

Monday–Feb 13th 7:30PM –Mrs. Leah Drillman's Shimiras Haloshon class at home of Ellen Smith, 407 North 8th Ave., Edison. For more info, please call Ellen at 201-410-1893 or 732-777-6787.

Tuesday – Feb 14th 9:30AM - Mrs. Miri Cohen's Parsha class at the home of Tzippy Rieder 6 Cliff St, Edison. (off of Brookhill Ave, past Stone St). For more info, please call 732-966-6503.

-Rebbitzin Eichenstein's classes for women: No classes on Sunday, Feb 12 and Monday, Feb 13 For more info, please contact Aviva at 732-572-4408 or siegelmom@optonline.net

-The Women's AMEN Group meets **monthly** on the Sundays following the Shabbos in which one benschos Rosh Chodesh, 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 the other Cholim in the community.

-Tiferes DVD for women on Motzai Shabbos, Feb. 11 at 8:30 PM, at the Siegel house. Topic: "I'm Watching You!". Speaker: Rabbi Mordechai Finkelman and Mrs. Chani Koval. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are available to Tiferes members. Current teleconference: "My Best Self" with Mrs. Chaya Hinda Allen. For more info, please contact Aviva siegelmom@optonline.net. The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.

-Bikur Cholim OWLS (Overnight Women Labor Support): A complimentary service for maternity situations whereby volunteers will come to stay with your kids during the night. For more info on receiving this service or becoming a volunteer, please contact Rikki at 732-249-5116. Thank you.

-Donations of diapers, pull-ups, and wipes are currently being accepted for the new HP/Edison Diaper Gemach. Please email diapergemach@gmail.com for more information.

-The Edison/Highland Park gown Gemach, L'iluy Nishmas R' Yitzchok Ben Binyomin, is open for business! The Gemach houses a wide selection of gowns for children, pre-teen, teens and adults. Please note the Gemach is still looking for donation of gowns in very good condition. Tax deduction is given and pick up of the gowns can also be arranged. For more information and/or to schedule an appointment please call Sara Scott at 516-526-0941.

-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 Road, Edison. For more info, please see contact Aviva Siegel (732) 572-4408 siegelmom@optonline.net

PARK MIKVAH EVENTS

-Women's shiur: Park Mikvah and Irgun Shiurai Torah present a Shovavim Project Lecture for women by Mrs. Debbie Greenblatt on the topic of

"A Journey Towards Intimacy, The Mystery and Practicality of Taharas Mishpacha" to take place [Sunday, February 12, 2017](http://www.ohrtorah.net) at Cong Ohr Torah (social Hall) [at 8:30 pm](http://www.ohrtorah.net). For married women only. For more info, please email Parkmikvaevents@gmail.com. Mrs. Debbie Greenblatt has been involved in teaching and counseling Jewish women for over twenty-five years. Mrs. Greenblatt speaks on topics related to Jewish thought, personal relationships and textual based education. She is a founder of the Women's Division of Gateways and gives classes in the New York metropolitan area as well as across the country.

PARK MIKVAH NEWS

-The Highland Park mikvah is ready to be transformed into a most beautiful, inviting facility, one which the entire community can be proud of! *It is now closed; anticipated reopening before Pesach 2017.*

The Young Israel of East Brunswick will be extending their hours throughout the duration of Park Mikvah renovations: Saturday – Thursday: 8PM – 11PM. Please check their website for more info regarding fees, and for changes in schedule due to inclement weather. YIEB: 193 Dunhams Corner Road, East Brunswick, 732-257-4121 or <http://www.yieb.org/mikvah.html>

The YIEB mikvah strongly encourages women to prepare at home, due to the expected high volume of patrons. Pending volunteer availability, Park Mikvah will endeavor to provide transportation to or from the YIEB mikvah, as a free service. Please email Aviva at siegelmom@optonline.net to volunteer as a driver, or 2 days prior to your visit, to request a ride to the mikvah.

Fundraising campaign to finance the renovations has begun! Dedication opportunities are now available! To make a donation, checks can be mailed to Park Mikvah, 36 Skyview Terrace, Highland Park, NJ 08904 or payment by credit card or PayPal via PayPal.Me/parkmikvah For more info, email hpmikvah@gmail.com or www.parkmikvah.org.

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

KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP: To sponsor Kiddush or reserve the Kiddush room, please contact Mel Barenholtz by email: mbarenh@yahoo.com.

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

BUILDING DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIES
Contact Moshe Schneider at 732-618-4702.

TREE OF LIFE / YAHRZEIT PLAQUES: To dedicate a Yahrzeit Plaque or Leaf for the Lobby Eitz Chayim Tree, contact Moish Nat by sending detailed fax with all dedicatory wording to 732-759-8558. For more info, call Moish at 732-759-807 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 call 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 Refuah Shleimah

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 database, go to ohrtorah.net and click "Register for OT Yahrzeit

Notification" or speak with Ralph Dessau or Gene Wasserman.

LOCAL ERUV: Call 732-247-ERUV for status

Parshas Yitro

Candlelighting: 5:17pm
Mincha: 5:25pm

Ohr Torah can be found at <http://www.ohrtorah.net>. Join the email list for Weekly Announcements. Announcements should be sent to announcements@ohrtorah.net by 7PM Wed. Please make sure to leave a contact/callback name and phone number.

Sof Davar

by Moshe Sherman

R. Chaim Isaac Korb (1872-1957)

In a previous item of Sof Davar, I discussed the founding of Chicago's Beis HaMidrash la-Torah, Hebrew Theological College, in 1921, and presented the story of its first rosh yeshiva, Rabbi Nissan Yablonski. Following the untimely death of Rav Yablonski in 1928, at the young age of 51, the yeshiva turned to R. Chaim Isaac Korb to serve as rosh yeshiva.

Born in Latvia in 1872, the young Chaim Korb came to the attention and was acquainted with Latvia's two acclaimed talmidei chachomim, Rabbi Meir Simcha of Dvinsk, author of the Ohr Sameach, and Rav Yosef Rozin, known throughout Europe as the Rogotchover Gaon. Korb left Latvia to study at the Telshe Yeshiva, where he spent several years, receiving semicha from the great Telshe rosh yeshiva, Rabbi Eliezer Gordon. After marrying Leah Miriam, daughter of Rabbi Moshe Yitzchak of Ponevez, he continued his Talmud studies in Ponevez. Following the death of his father-in-law, he accepted a position as *rav moreh tzedek*, not communal rabbi in Ponevez.

While at Ponevez, R. Korb became close to the eminent Talmud scholar, Rabbi Itzel of Ponevez, with whom he would maintain an ongoing correspondence in matters of halacha. Following six years of service as rabbi in Ponevez, R. Korb accepted the position of communal rabbi in Polangen, near Kovno, Lithuania. With the outbreak of World War I, in 1914, he fled south to the Ukraine, and following the war, returned to Lithuania, accepting a position as communal rabbi of Zagar.

In 1927, Rabbi Chaim Korb left Europe and emigrated to the United States, where he became rabbi of a shul in Harlem, New York. That same year, he published his first work of Talmud commentary, *Netivot Olam*, dealing with difficult passages in the Rambam's *Mishneh Torah*. He would subsequently publish two additional volumes of commentary under the same title. Remaining in New York for only a short period, Rabbi Korb, in 1928, accepted the position as rosh yeshiva at Beis HaMidrash la-Torah, in Chicago. For almost twenty years, he served with distinction as leader of Chicago's Hebrew Theological College.

Tragically, two of Rabbi Korb's children, who had remained in Europe, were killed by the Nazis during World War II. Following the death of his wife in the late 1940s, he moved to Jerusalem, where he spent his final years. It was in Jerusalem that he completed the third volume of his multi-volume work, *Netivot Olam*. R. Chaim Isaac Korb died in 1957, and is buried at Har ha-Menuchot.