

# **Congregation Ohr Torah Weekly Announcements**

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Parshas Yisro

Candlelighting: 5:17 PM Mincha: 5:25 PM

Shacharis: 7:45, 9:00 & 9:15 AM AΜ

Rabbi Hoffman's Halacha B'ivun Shiur after Hashkama

Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A): 9:29 AM Rabbi Luban's Taanis Shiur - 4:20 PM Rabbi Malitzky's Mishnayos Shiur for 6-8 grade boys - 4:40 PM

Mincha: 1:45 & 5:10PM Shalosh Seudos speaker: Henry Schanzer

6:20 PM Maariv: **Shabbos Ends:** 6:27 PM

Weekday Shacharis

7:15, 8 & 9 AM Sun Mon. & Thur: 6:20, 7:15, & 8 AM Tues , Weds. & Fri. 6:30, 7:10, & 8 AM Weekday Mincha/ Maariv: 5:25PM 7:30 & 10:10 PM Late Maariv:

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

#### **SHIURIM**

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

Daf Yomi Iyun Shiur with Rabbi Sauer - after 7:15 Shacharis on Sunday

Gemara with Rabbi Malitzky: Tuesday Night 9:20 PM

#### Daf Yomi

Mon-Thurs after 7:30 Maariv Friday Nite -after Maariv Shabbos-8:15 am Sunday-after 8 am Shacharis

### SUNDAY LEARNING FOR BOYS WITH RABBI MALITZKY

Boys in grades 3-5 are invited for breakfast and learning this Sunday from 8:40-9:30 in YFM with Rabbi Malitzky. This week we have the zechus of also learning with Rabbi Luban!

### **KIDDUSH**

Kiddush is sponsored by the Hirt family in honor of Elie's Aufruf.

Kiddush sponsorship is available for Feb 25th and March 11<sup>th</sup>, 18th & 25th.

#### **SHALOSH SEUDOS**

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Sheila and Henry Schanzer to commemorate the yahrtzeit of Henry's mother, Bayala bas R' Yitzchok A"H.

## **GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

There will be a shul membership meeting on Wednesday, February 22 at 9pm. Agenda is as follows:

- 1. Presidents Report
- 2. House Report
- 3. Heating system repairs (Vote)
- 4. Approval of 2017 budget (Vote)

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## **OHR TORAH ANNUAL DINNER**

Save the Date!

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

#### **MAZEL TOV**

... to Deena and Gershon Klavan on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Moshe. Mazal Tov to his siblings Naomi, Pesach, Chanie and Yehuda; grandparents Dr. Irving and Miriam Klavan, Rabbi Avraham and Susan Landesman and the extended Klavan, Landesman and Raymon families. Kiddush after the hashkama minyan is sponsored by Deena and Gershon Klavan in honor of Moshe's bar mitzva. The kiddush will be held at RPRY and all are invited.

...to Elie Hirt on his aufruf this Shabbat and his forthcoming marriage to Daniella Baratz. Mazal Toy to Sharon Hirt, Howard Hirt, Tzippora and David Baratz, grandparents Gilda and David Singer, Robert and Virginia Hirt and the entire Singer, Hirt and Baratz

... to Gail Bogner on the birth of a granddaughter, Claire Fave (Chaya Faiga), to her children Dina and Daniel Heiss. Mazel tov to brothers Robbie and Asher, to grandmother Dr. Nelly Szlachter, and to all of the aunts, uncles and cousins.

... to Mildred and Irwin Goldblatt on the birth of a great grandson, Yoseph Reuven, to their grandchildren Penina and Ephraim Weingarten. Mazel Toy to the grand parents Rabbi Eli and Naomi Radinsky and Yanky and Joyce Weingarten, to the great aunts and uncles Miriam and Mark Goldblatt and Sarah and Steven Rand and to all the siblings and

...to Jonathan and Lori Caplan on the birth of a daughter to their children, Jeremy and Rena Caplan. Mazel Tov to the great grandmother, Iola Caplan, and to the great uncle and great aunt, Joshua and Naomi

# **WOMEN'S SHIUR WITH RABBI MALITZKY NEXT WEEK**

There will be a women's shiur next Shabbos (2/25) at 4:15pm with R' Malitzky. Location:TBD, Topic: How to bring the Simcha of Adar into our Homes

#### **MISHLOACH MANOS**

Deadline for submitting Mishloach Manos orders is March 5. Please contact Marninah Hersh at marninah@yahoo.com.

#### **LUNCH AND LEARN**

Save the Date Tuesday, March 14 Tuesday, May 2nd will be the next one. Retiree Lunch and Learn Presents

February 18, 2017

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 14<sup>th</sup> - Time: Noon RSVP Bella - blerner18@optonline.net , 732 317-1786, Mildred 732 572-1712, or Marcia ppheffer@verizon.net 732 572-5998

## **YOUTH EVENTS**

On Sunday March 19, 2017 at 11:00 AM Congregation Ohr Torah will be going by school bus from the Shul to the Circus located at the Sun National Bank Center in Trenton, NJ. We will return to the Shul at 3:00 PM. This program is for children and parents. All children six and under must be accompanied by an adult. Prepare to blast off on an intergalactic adventure for spaceage family fun as the ultimate circus experience launches into the future as Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey® Presents Out Of This World™. Children of all ages will be amazed by the cosmic voyage as you discover the wonders of gravity-defying acrobats, orbital aerialists, majestic animals, fearless daredevils and humorous clowns. The show runs 1 hour and 45 minutes including a 15-minute intermission. Cost is \$27 per person including transportation for all reservations made in advance. On the day of the event, the price goes up to \$30 per person. Max \$100 per immediate family. ---On Sunday April 2, 2017 from 2:00 PM until 5:30 PM come to Congregation Ohr Torah @ 48 Edgemount Road in Edison, NJ for the Walt Disney experience. We will be showing two Walt Disney movies, awarding Disney store gift cards redeemable for Disney tickets or Disney branded merchandise by answering Disney trivia questions and there will even be snacks given out similar to those available at Walt Disney World! Cost is just \$10 per child for all this fun and excitement!

--- And last but certainly not least, there will be several entertainers Purim night Motzei Shabbat March 11, 2017@ Ohr Torah starting at 7:30 pm. Details to follow.

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

# <u>CELEBRATING YOM HA'ATZMAUT/YOM</u> <u>YERUSHALAYIM!</u>

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 the committee, please contact Susie Wolf at <a href="mailto:susiezwolf@gmail.com">susiezwolf@gmail.com</a> or Riki Kreitman at riki.kreitman@gmail.com.

The Koenigson family thanks the Edison/Highland Park community for their condolences on the passing of Max Koenigson z'l. To everyone who came, called, donated in his name, we thank you for the nechama you brought at this difficult time.

Anne Koenigson Arnie Koenigson Chavy Stern

# **SEFORIM DONATIONS**

- Rona & Seymour Kessel in memory of Jay Reinhard's mother Arline Reinhard Z"L
- Rona & Seymour Kessel in memory of Arnie Koenigson's father Max Koenigson 7"I
- Robert & Riki Kreitman in honor of the engagement of Michelle Feldman & Moshe Siegel
- Robert & Riki Kreitman in memory of Arnie Koenigson's father Max Koenigson Z"L
- Robert & Riki Kreitman in memory of Jonathan Teitelbaum's father Naftali Teitelbaum Z"L
- Robert & Riki Kreitman in memory of Jay Reinhard's mother Arline Reinhard Z"L
- Robert & Riki Kreitman in memory of Mitchell Baruch's mother Elaine Baruch Z"L
- Barry & Lisa Schanzer in memory of Arnie Koenigson's father Max Koenigson 7"I
- Sheldon & Drora Waltuch in memory of Arnie Koenigson's father Max Koenigson
- Barry & Rosa Katz in honor of the engagement of Eliyahu Gross & Leeora Anisfeld
- Saul Wasserman in memory of Saul's mother Frances Wasserman Z"L
- Myron & Shelia Bursky in memory of Arnie Koenigson's father Max Koenigson Z"L
- David & Fay Moskovic in memory of Arnie Koenigson's father Max Koenigson 7"I
- David & Fay Moskovic in memory of Jay Reinhard's mother Arline Reinhard Z"L
- David & Fay Moskovic in memory of Jonathan Teitelbaum's father Naftali Teitelbaum Z"L
- Ted and Shoshana Diskind in memory of Arnie Koenigson's father Max Koenigson Z"L

# COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS TOMCHEI SHABBOS PESACH CAMPAIGN

With Pesach less than 2 months away, there are families in our community for whom the thought of purchasing even the basic necessities is a crushing

financial burden. Tomchei Shabbos helps ease this burden, and provide peace of mind, by ensuring that these families' basic needs are met. But all of this comes at a cost. Pesach is by far our largest and costliest operation of the year. In the weeks leading up to Pesach, over 250 boxes of food are purchased, packed and distributed to needy families in the Highland Park, Edison and East Brunswick communities. Families are counting on this food but to make it happen requires your support. Help give the gift of Pesach to families in need. Donations can be made through our website

at <a href="www.tomcheimc.org">www.tomcheimc.org</a>. Checks can also be sent to Tomchei Shabbos of Middlesex County, c/o Cong. Ohr Torah, 48 Edgemount Road, Edison, NJ 08817.

#### **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 nocharge event will be taking place on Motzai Shabbos, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 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 Elleshlang@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 resrvations please mail RPRYPLUS@rpry.org

#### **ELI BERG IN JERUSALEM MARATHON**

Eli Berg is running in the Jerusalem Marathon on March 17, 2017 to benefit OurPlace that helps over 1000 youth each year and so many more in our community who just want a second chance at life. Here is his sponsor page...thank you for your support!

#### http://teamourplace.com/participantpage.a sp?fundid=2020&uid=3675&fkroledescid=5 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 (7-18 yrs old) who have lifethreatening illnesses to our neighborhood for a weekend of fun on March 4. Please help us make this an event to remember.

There will be a community-wide seudah shlishit FOR WOMEN at RPRY at 5 pm. Come and show our community's famous hospitality and sing along with our friends from Chai Lifeline.

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 7<sup>th</sup> Ave, Highland Park, NJ 08904.

#### **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:

<u>unbouncepages.com/kefintl-seminar</u>; or email <a href="mailto:shipping@kefintl.com">shipping@kefintl.com</a>

# 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 prenursery 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**

8<sup>th</sup> Day Concert!! Yeshivat Netivot Montessori presents 8<sup>th</sup> 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 <a href="mailto:netivot.booktix.com">netivot.booktix.com</a>. Groups of 10 or more receive a group discount of 10%, and processing fees are waived. Contact us at concert@mynetivot.com or <a href="mailto:732-985-4626">732-985-4626</a> ext. 4 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, Shoshana Diskind at 732.572.7755, Lani Eisner at 732.572.1087 or Janice Lustiger at 732.819.4919 or e-mail your request to thekinderfund@qmail.com.

#### **N'SHEI**

The Nshei of the Edison/Highland Park Chabura invites all women to a video presentation by Mrs. Tammy Karmel. Join thousands of woman worldwide who have been inspired by the masterful teachings of emunah and bitachon by Mrs. Karmel from Yerushalayim who is living and thriving with the debilitating disease of ALS. When: Sunday February 19th, 8 PM. Where: Home of Mindy Bilowitz, 98 Leslie St., Edison. Hope to see you!

#### 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 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: <a href="www.actt613.org/3.html">www.actt613.org/3.html</a> For more info, see the ACTT web-site, <a href="www.actt613.org">www.actt613.org</a>, e-mail <a href="info@actt613.org">info@actt613.org</a> or call Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762.

# EMPLOYMENT NETWORK OF RARITAN VALLEY

Looking for work? We can help. Go to <a href="https://www.ENRV.org">www.ENRV.org</a> or contact Bob Lansey at <a href="https://enr.worg.en/ENRVInfo@gmail.com">ENRVInfo@gmail.com</a>. 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 <a href="mail.com">ENRVInfo@gmail.com</a>.

#### 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 17<sup>th</sup>. 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: <a href="https://www.norpac.net">www.norpac.net</a> 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 <a href="mailto:docad@aol.com">docad@aol.com</a>, Barry Wolf, Yosef

#### **JEWISH FAMILY SERVICES**

Schreiber, Neer Even-hen for more info.

-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:**

**NEW HOSPITALITY ROOM** at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital! It is located on the main floor. Go through the main entrance and bear left towards the gift shop. Turn right through the double doors. Follow hall and turn right. The 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.

- MOTHER'S HELPERS: Bikur Cholim is looking for Mother's Helpers to help with a special need's five year old girl. Volunteers are needed for any time, Monday through Friday. We are looking for girls tenth grade and up. If you can help, even for a few hours, please call Mrs. Rivka Teresh directly at 347-598-9448.
- **SEEKING VOLUNTEERS.** 7-year-old boy in Robert Wood Johnson's Children Hospital needs visitors for times when his parents cannot be with him. Parents live in Brooklyn and are seeking people to stay with him for various time shifts.
- **HOMEBOUND VISITATION:** Seeking adults and 11th graders and older who would be interested in volunteering to visit homebound people in our community. For more info, please call Bikur Cholim at 732-572-7181.
- NURSING HOME VISITATION: Seeking volunteers to visit at the Regency nursing home on DeMott Lane in Somerset. For more info, please call Rahel Baruh at 732-672-4673 or email <a href="mailto:rbaruh@yahoo.com">rbaruh@yahoo.com</a>
- TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE: Drivers and coordinators needed. Coordinate rides to and from medical appointments 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
- **NEW WEBSITE:** <u>bikurcholimrv.com</u>. The new website provides information 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.

#### **KHAL CHASSIDIM**

**Simply Tzfat kumtzitz**: In the week leading up to its Annual Malva Malka, Khal Chassidim is holding a special (free admission) kumtziz with our friends from Simply Tzfat on Sunday, Feb 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 at Rabbi Horowitz's Shteible, Khal Chassidim on 46 North 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue. This Kumitziz 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"h.

#### **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 7<sup>th</sup> 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 <a href="mailto:costumegemach@yahoo.com">costumegemach@yahoo.com</a> or see our facebook page at

https://www.facebook.com/costumegemach

#### **NEFESH B NEFESH**

SUNDAY FEB 26<sup>T</sup> AT John Jay College, 524 West 59<sup>th</sup> 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. Regist

er today: <a href="www.nbn.org.il/mega">www.nbn.org.il/mega</a>

#### LOCAL TZEDAKAH NEED

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. Please search Thechesedfund.com and put in the name of the campaign which is 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.) If you wish to make out a check instead of contributing online, please make it out to Congregation Ohav Emeth, in the memo write Rabbi's Charity Fund. On a separate note (NOT in memo) write that it is for the Rehab campaign"

FOR WOMEN

Monday-Feb 13<sup>th</sup> 7:30PM -Mrs. Leah Drillman's
Shimiras Haloshon class at home of Ellen Smith,

407 North 8<sup>th</sup> Ave., Edison. For more info, please call Ellen at 201-410-1893 or 732-777-6787. **Tuesday – Feb 14**<sup>th</sup> **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.

-Rebbitzen 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 orsiegelmom@optonline.net

-Women's Learning Initiative: : Mrs. Miri Cohen's Parsha class will take place Tuesday, Feb. 21 at 9:30 AM at the home of Tzippy Rieder, 6 Cliff Street, Edison. (off of Brookhill Avenue, past Stone Street). For more info, please call 732-966-6503. -The Women's AMEN Group meets monthly on the Sundays following the Shabbos in which one bensches 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

<u>siegelmom@optonline.net</u>. 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 at Cong Ohr Torah (social Hall) at 8:30 pm. For married women only. For more info, please email Parkmikvahevents@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 enovations: 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 <a href="mailto:siegelmom@optonline.net">siegelmom@optonline.net</a> to volunteer as a driver, or 2 days prior to your visit, to request a ride to the mikvah.

Fundraising campaign to finance the reposations

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 <a href="mailto:hpmikvah@gmail.com">hpmikvah@gmail.com</a> or <a href="mailto:www.parkmikvah.org">www.parkmikvah.org</a>.

**OHR TORAH NEWSLETTER:** To subscribe to these Announcements, go to www.ohrtorah.net

**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: <a href="mailto:mbarenh@yahoo.com">mbarenh@yahoo.com</a>.

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 sieqeldad@optonline.net.

HOUSEKEEPING: For housekeeping issues and inquiries contact Lou Smith at <a href="mailto:ludeeju@gmail.com">ludeeju@gmail.com</a> 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, <u>www.ohrtorah.net</u>, 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 Mishpatim

Candlelighting: 5:25pm Mincha: 5:35pm

Ohr Torah can be found at <a href="http://www.ohrtorah.net">http://www.ohrtorah.net</a>. 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.