



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parshas Ki Tetze

11 Elul 5777

September 2, 2017

Candlelighting:	7:11PM
Mincha:	7:20PM
Shacharis:	7:45, 9:00 & 9:15AM
<i>Rabbi Hoffman's Halacha B'iyun Shiur after Hashkama</i>	
Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A):	9:41AM
Kollel Learning:	4:00-6:00 PM
Kollel Mincha:	6:00PM
<i>Rabbi Luban's Taanis Shiur – 6:15 PM</i>	
Mincha:	1:45 PM & 7:05 PM
<i>Shalosh Seudos speaker: Gershon Klavan</i>	
Maariv:	8:15 PM
Shabbos Ends:	8:18 PM
Weekday Shacharis	
Sun & Mon (Labor Day)	7:15, 8 & 9AM
Tues, Wed, & Fri	6:30, 7:10, & 8 AM
<i>9 AM daily minyan is over for the season</i>	
Thurs	6:20, 7:05, & 8 AM
Sunday Mincha	1:45 & 7:10 PM
Weekday Mincha/ Maariv:	7:10 PM
Late Maariv:	10:10 PM

Rabbi YY Rubenstein is the featured speaker. He is a Scottish born international speaker and author and is a frequent presenter at Gateways events. In preparation for the Yomim Noraim, please join us for an inspiring evening.

MAZEL TOV

...to Lorraine and Abe Schwartzbard on the upcoming Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Elijah Mosberg, of Teaneck, NJ. Mazel Tov also to great grandmother, Devorah Hilsenrath.

... to Chaya Gurkov on the upcoming marriage of her granddaughter, Mindy Newman to Shmuel Waldman this Sunday. Mazel tov to the parents, Rabbi David and Faigie Newman and to Rabbi and Mrs. Mayer Waldman and to both Mishpachas.

...to Rona & Seymour Kessel on the birth of a son to their children, Melissa & Ezra Blain. Special Mazel Tov to big sister Eliana, great grandparents Sima Kessel and Ben Koppelman, Susan & David Blain of Cherry Hill, great aunt and uncle Barbara & Allen Kessel, and the extended Blain and Kessel families.

...to Toby and Michael Eleff on the birth of a daughter, to their children Rabbi Yehuda and Didi Susskind.

Legions of crazed fans were obsessed with every detail of their work and their lives. It was a far cry from the simple Jewish family life in the Ukrainian villages of their origin". In THE THOMASHEFSKYS, Tilson Thomas explores the lives of his grandparents, Boris and Bessie Thomashefsky, through a musical performance that features five performers and the New World Symphony orchestra. D'var Torah by Henry Schanzer. Intro by Harriet Gersten Tues. Sept 12th, Ohr Torah 12 noon. Cost \$10. RSVP no later than the Sunday before the event. Bella blerner18@optonline.net 732 317-1786, Mildred, 732 572-1712, or Marcia ppheffer@verizon.net 732 572-5998

HOUSTON RELIEF FUND

We have all watched in horror as Tropical Storm Harvey has pummeled Houston these past few days with unrelenting rainfall and has caused unbelievable devastation. In the words of one newspaper, the storm has caused "Epoch Misery". We can easily identify with the suffering that people are enduring after experiencing the horrific impact of Hurricane Sandy a few years ago. We must come to the aid of our brothers and sisters in this time of crisis. There are many funds that are emerging to meet the needs of the Jewish community. As long as they are legitimate and you have confidence in the person or organization that is distributing the funds, they are all worthy.

I spoke yesterday to Rabbi Yehoshua Wender, who has been the Rav of the Young Israel of Houston for the past 32 years. I have known Rabbi Wender for many years. Rabbi and Rebbetzin Malitzky have a personal relationship with Rabbi Wender, as Rebbetzin Shoshi grew up in Houston and attended the day school where he served as principal.

Rabbi Wender is in touch with all the shuls and is in the center of a relief effort for the local Jewish community. If you would like to send a donation for Rabbi Wender to distribute, please write a check to Congregation Ohr Torah, and indicate in the memo "Houston Relief". You can put the check in the shul mailbox, drop it off in my mailbox at 134 North 6th Ave., Highland Park, or give me the check directly. Hopefully, we can raise a reasonable sum. I recall with pride that our shul raised \$40,000 for relief after Hurricane Sandy. I would like to mail a check to Rabbi Wender from our shul as a demonstration of support by next Tuesday, September 5th (the day after Labor

SHIURIM

Rabbi Sauer's Daf Yomi B'iyun Shiur - after 7:15 AM Sunday Shacharis.

Daf Yomi

Shabbos- one hour before Mincha
Sunday-after 8am Shacharis
Monday -Thursday-after Zman Maariv
Friday night -after Kabbolas Shabbos

KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week is being sponsored by Henry Schanzer and his children and grandchildren in celebration of his beloved wife Sheila's 80th Birthday. Kiddush sponsorship available for the first day of Succos, Shabbos Chol Hamoed Succos & Shemini Atzeres.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Riki and Robert Kreitman in honor of our mother, Sheila Schanzer's 80th birthday.

OHR TORAH YOUTH PROGRAM

-The Ohr Torah Youth Program has several open positions that we are looking to fill starting on Shabbat, Sept 9th. All teenagers (entering grade 10 and up) interested in working in our youth program and whose families are Full or Associate members of the Shul are encouraged to apply. Applications available on our Shul website [ohrtorah.net](http://www.ohrtorah.net) by selecting Services and Youth Dept. Please submit all applications by Sun, Aug 27th. Applications are also available at the OT Youth Facebook site and at the entrance to the main sanctuary.

FORGIVING THE UNFORGIVABLE

We are proud to announce that the annual I. David and Miriam Goldstein Teshuva Lecture will be held Sunday, Sept 17th at 7:15pm at Cong. Ohr Torah.

SEATS FOR YOMIM NORAIM 5778

Hopefully at this time you have already used the Shul website <http://www.ohrtorah.net> to return your seat applications for the Yomim Noraim or returned forms by regular mail. Early reduced price priority seating was given to those who returned their applications by the requested Aug 22nd deadline. Forms are avail in the Shul hallway and regular priced seating will be offered as available for the Main or the Hashkama Minyan. Payment for the 2017 seats must accompany the reservation in order to be processed. Also, the Shul Board requires that personal balances be paid up through the year 2016 by Aug 15. If you have any question regarding your current Shul balances, Contact Brian Allen kiddydent1@gmail.com. Thank you. Chasiva v'chasima tova. The Seating Committee.

SHIUR AFTER HASHKAMA

Rabbi Malitzky will be giving a Shiur after Hashkama – title: "A fascinating real life Chalitzta question".

LUNCH AND LEARN

"My grandparents became mega-stars," Michael Tilson Thomas remembers, "and found themselves smack in the public eye.

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

Day), so please get your check in as soon as possible.

-Rabbi Yaakov Luban

CHARITY FUND FOR THE BLIND

APPEAL

Once again I appeal to the Ohr Torah community in behalf of the Charity Fund for the Blind, in Jerusalem, Israel. The Charity Fund is run by Mrs. Aliza Goldstein who personally supervises all dispersal of funds to persons who are referred to her by the Jerusalem social service agency. The fund has zero overhead: there are no paid employees or buildings. Mrs. Goldstein and her husband Yehuda, a retired professor of Physics at Hebrew University, visit these needy families in their homes and see first hand what needs they have. Aliza is presently helping a family from Persia with 10 children. The parents are blind and many in the family have serious medical issues. They need help with rent, food, education and are needy in many other areas of daily life. Of course Mrs. Goldstein is still aiding the blind families from previous years. May Hashem give her the strength to continue her good works. She needs our help. For questions please call Bella Lerner [732 317 1786](tel:7323171786) You can mail a check payable to the Ohr Torah Gemach Fund, Tizku L'mitzvot.

TOMCHEI SHABBOS CAMPAIGN

Give the Gift of Shabbos and Yom Tov for a family in need! As Elul arrives and we begin to prepare for the Yomim Noraim, there are many families in our community who cannot afford even the basic necessities for Yom Tov. Tomchei Shabbos of Middlesex County is appealing to the entire community to help us provide food for the families who rely on us during this important time of the year. To donate please go to <http://www.tomcheimc.org/> or make checks out to Tomchei Shabbos of Middlesex County and drop off at Congregation Ohr Torah, 48 Edgemount Road Edison. For questions or more information please contact tomcheimc@gmail.com. Tomchei Shabbos is a 501 (c)(3) organization and all donations are tax deductible.

VOLUNTEER NEEDED TO DEVELOP SHUL CALENDAR

We are looking for a volunteer who would be willing to design and gather the information for a monthly shul calendar. This idea, which has been adopted by other shuls in New Jersey, would provide advance information for Simchos, speakers and timing for Shabbos and other Minyonim. If you are interested, please contact Arnie Lustiger - alustiger1@optonline.net

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOTE NEW STOP SIGN

A stop sign has been installed on Lexington at the corner of Marshall Drive. Please be aware as you drive by. Police will be cruising by intermittently, to insure everyone abides by the stop sign or they will be ticketed.

RPRY SAFETY NOTICE

The safety of RPRY students is of paramount importance and we must be especially vigilant about traffic during arrival (7:30-8:15 AM) and dismissal (3:15 to 4:15 PM) times. To ensure the safety of our students, and in consultation with the Edison Police and Yeshiva's Security Committee, please note the following:

- Please drive slowly, do not use a cell phone while driving, and be very aware of children walking to and from their cars and the school.
 - Please do not back up or make a K-Turn or U-turn during arrival or dismissal.
 - During arrival and dismissal, the carpool lane on Edgemount Road must remain completely clear. Please do not park there.
 - Please do not park in front of the Yeshiva during school hours, on either side of Harrison Street. Rather, please use a legal parking spot.
- Thank you for your help in protecting our children.

ERETZ HACHAIM CEMETERY Q&A AND DISCUSSION

We are pleased to announce that Eretz HaChaim Cemetery in Israel has made available an exclusive section for OT members and their families at discounted rates. Located at the edge of the Jerusalem hills near Beit Shemesh, for the past fifty years, Eretz HaChaim has specialized in providing personal services to the bereaved in their time of need and for people interested in purchasing burial plots in Israel. This section was set up last year and it is 3/4 filled. Another section will be set up if demand is there. Please join us at Congregation Ohr Torah on Wednesday, September 6 at 8:00 pm, where representatives of Eretz HaChaim will host a Q&A session/panel and discuss details of this arrangement, including what services are provided by Eretz HaChaim and the related costs of the plots, maintenance and chevra kadisha services. For more detailed information or for a copy of the registration form, please contact the Eretz HaChaim representative, Avi Koenig, at avi@eretzhachaim.org or 718-437-2200, ext.104.

PRE YOM TOV SOFER VISIT

The Sofer will be available to check your Mezzuzot and Tefillin this Sunday, Sept 3rd, from 10AM at Judaica Gallery, 300 Raritan Ave, HP. For questions or to make an appt, call [732-828-7722](tel:732-828-7722). This is a specially scheduled pre-Yom Tov visit to our community.

RPRY

- RPRY PRE YOMTOV POP UP SHOP - RPRY PLUS invites the whole community to a Pre YomTov Pop Up Shop, eld at RPRY Tues, Sept 5th , 6:30-9:30pm. One stop shopping for all Yom Tov needs: tableware, tablecloths, children's clothing/accessories, women's apparel, jewelry, hats, The Man with the Truck, children's gift items, sheitels and more! Come hungry-Judd's Memphis Kitchen will be outside selling smoked BBQ brisket, burgers and more. There will also be a raffle- anyone who spends \$200 or more will be entered to win a mini photo session with Shira Sheps Photography! For more info, contact Melissa Feder melissarachel@msn.com or Elana Kurtz elana.schwarzberg@gmail.com.

-RPRY is pleased to provide an opportunity to apply for the new pilot Tuition Affordability Program (TAP) for the coming 2017-18 school year. Apply at: <https://fs27.formsite.com/RPRY/form3/index.html>.

-2nd annual RPRY Bake Sale - Mon Sept 18, 7:30-9:00 at 77 Lexington Ave, Edison. Challah, Babka and all of your yom tov desserts! Come early, leave happy! *Preorder at the RPRY boutique Tuesday Sept 5, 6:30-9:30 (2 Harrison St, Edison).

ACTI

The Emunah 2 module is dedicated in memory of: Tziporah Chaya Heindel bas Shmuel Mordechai haLevi, Chaya Friedman, a"h. The current source book is: Artscroll's "Living Emunah volume 2 - Achieving A Life of Serenity Through Faith" by Rabbi David Ashear. The audio of Rabbi Bregman's insightful and inspiring "How To

Achieve Success Through Emunah" presentation is available for listening/downloading from Audio page of ACTT website: www.actt613.org/6.html For info, e-mail info@actt613.org or call Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762.

ACTIVE SHOOTER RESPONSE SEMINAR

The NJ Office of Homeland Security & Preparedness is holding an Active Shooter Response Seminar at the Highland Park Conservative Temple-Cong Anshe Emeth Tues: 9/5/17 Time: 8PM Place: HP Conservative Temple Cong. Anshe Emeth 201 South 3rd Ave HP 08904

This important seminar will offer info on suspicious activity reporting, How to use the Hostile Threat Checklist and options for what to do in the event of an active shooter and info to improve preparedness and reduce risk. No fee but RSVP required. Contact Steven Pasichow 732-947-0914 or stevenpasichow@gmail.com to reserve spot

HATZOLAH OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY ANNUAL CARNIVAL

Sun Sept 10th 1PM to 5PM. 71 West Ethel Rd, Piscataway NJ 08854 Family fun day. Raffles, prizes, petting zoo, face painting, pony rides, BBQ, Carnival rides. Unlimited ride passes are avail. All proceeds benefit Hatzolah of Middlesex County. Info Carnival@hatzolahMC.org or call 732-993-8645. Credit cards and cash payments welcome.

NCSY

-NCSY HP/Edison start of year Oneg! Shabbat day Parashat Ki Tavo, Elul 18, Sept 9, 6-8PM, at the Bannett's residence, 147 Barnard St. Snacks, Fun and Friends! Contact Rabbi Greene for info greenes@ncsy.org or [973-214-8577](tel:973-214-8577)

-NCSY HP/Edison Opening Event! Sun, Oct 1st, 6-8:30PM, at the Hanian's residence, 19 Ryan Rd. Make your own chocolate covered waffles, outdoor movie and special surprise at the end! Contact Rabbi Greene for more info at greenes@ncsy.org or [973-214-8577](tel:973-214-8577)

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE ANNUAL HP/EDISON CONNECTS SEPTEMBER MELAVE MALKA FOR WOMEN!

HP/Edison Connects invites the women of our community to our Annual Sept "Kick-Off the (school) Year" Potluck Melava Malka, taking place on Motzai Shabbos, Sept 16th, 8:45pm (Location TBD.) Whether you have recently moved in and are looking to meet people or whether you have been here a while and want to reconnect with old friends (and make new ones while welcoming everyone who has recently moved into our town!) we encourage you to come and bring a dish! For questions/RSVP email Rachelle_Stern@yahoo.com. More info to follow in the coming weeks! Thank you! Elle Lieblich, Faygie Lobel, Rikki Samel, Rachelle Stern.

BIKUR CHOLIM

Bikur Cholim seeks volunteers to visit a male patient at the AristaCare facility in So Plainfield. It is a 10 minute drive from our community. Also looking for a male to sit, schmooze and learn with a male patient at AristaCare. Family willing to pay. For more info contact Nitza Adler (732)819-9294

MA'AYANOT YESHIVA

HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS YOM IYUN

Ma'ayanot Yeshiva High School for Girls is pleased to invite the community to its annual Yom Iyun on Tzom Gedaliah, Sun, Sept 24th, 9:30am-12:30pm at Ma'ayanot 1650 Palisade Ave, Teaneck. Yom Iyun will begin with a keynote shiur by Rabbi Zev Prince, Ma'ayanot Talmud and Halakha teacher, on the topic: *Soles on Fire: Neilat Ha'Sandal, Baring our Souls by Uncovering our Feet*, followed by additional shiurim by members of the Ma'ayanot faculty (visit www.maayanot.org)

for a full listing of shiurim). For info/to sponsor a shiur Pam Ennis ennisp@maayanot.org or [201-833-4307, ext. 265](tel:201-833-4307). Men and women welcome. -Intermediate level Hebrew Ulpan, open to community. The class will be taught by Ma'ayanot Hebrew Chair, Mrs. Merav Tal-Timen, and will emphasize conversational skills. Classes Tuesday evenings (start Sept. 6th) 7:30PM-9PM at Ma'ayanot (1650 Palisade Ave, Teaneck). Cost: \$230 for 15 sessions. To register visit www.maayanot.org/community or contact Pam at ennisp@maayanot.org.

-Book Club mtg of the year Mon, Sept 11th 8pm Discussion facilitated by Ma'ayanot English teacher, Mrs. Shalvi Isseroff; book selection: Sympathizer by Viet Thanh Nguyen; club meets at home of Ellie and Amit Schwartz, Warwick Ave., Teaneck. Info Pam ennisp@maayanot.org Men and women welcome.

-The Ma'ayanot Adult Education Committee is pleased to announce that its Thursday shiurim resume Sept 14th. The first series of the year given by Dr. Rayzel Yaish, Ma'ayanot Dir of Guidance, on the topic of Teshuva. This two-part series will take place at Ma'ayanot (1650 Palisade Ave, Teaneck) 11am-12pm Thur, Sept. 14th and Sept. 28th. Men and women welcome. Visit www.maayanot.org/community for the complete 2017-18 Shiur Series schedule. Info Pam Ennis at ennisp@maayanot.org.

KOSHER WINE TASTING AND PAIRING IN SUPPORT OF PEACE OF MIND

Just in time for your holiday table. Please join us for a wine and cheese tasting on Sunday Sept 10th at Pino's. 5-7pm All proceeds benefit Peace of Mind. \$20.00 per person entry fee, sponsorships at \$100, \$180 and \$250. RSVP to hirt.sharon@gmail.com. All checks payable to American Friends of Herzog Hospital. Help us bring our 4th unit of IDF combat veterans to our community in 2018.

WED NIGHT PARSHA CLASS

Rabbi Yisroel Weiss Parsha class for men and women: Wed evenings 8:30 PM at the Eiserman home 154 N. 10th Ave. Info Marsha [347-203-7906](tel:347-203-7906).

FOR WOMEN

-Tiferes DVD for women Motzai Shabbos, Sept 9 at 9:30PM prompt, at the Siegel house. Title: "Elul and Tefillah-The Joy of Connection". Speakers:

Rabbi Menachem Nissel and Mrs. Debbie Greenblatt. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting avail to Tiferes members. Current teleconference: "Elul - Mining its Treasures". Speakers: Mrs. Tehava Lebowitz, Rabbi Menachem Nissel, and Rabbi Daniel Glatstein. For info, contact Aviva siegelmom@optonline.net. The HP/Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom. -Bikur Cholim OWLS (Overnight Women Labor Support): Comp. service for maternity situations where volunteers come to stay with your kids during the night. For info on receiving this service/volunteering, call Rikki at 732-249-5116.

GEMACHS

-Diaper Gemach: Diapers, pullups, wipes needed for HP/Edison Gemach. Email diapergemach@gmail.com. -The Edison/HP Gown Gemach, L'iluy Nishmas R' Yitzchok Ben Binyomin Gemach Gowns for children thru adult. Donations of good condition gowns sought. Tax deduct. Given/pick up of gowns arranged. Info/appt Sara Scott 516-526-0941.

PARK MIKVAH

- Support the mikvah while purchasing on Amazon. Use link: <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-7037953>. A donation will be made to Park Mikvah. - Park Mikvah *now provides towels & robes* Sun-Thurs hours 9PM-11PM. Fri night by appt only by leaving message [732-249-2411](tel:732-249-2411) or via website. Motzai Shabbos Sept. 2, 9: 9:30-11:30PM Sept 16, 23, 30: 9PM-11PM. Sept 20-22: by appt only; Sept 29: closed (Yom Kippur). We appreciate your patience and financial support. Continue to check www.parkmikvah.org and vm [732-249-2411](tel:732-249-2411) for updates.

- Have you participated in this incredible mitzvah campaign yet? Please go to www.parkmikvah.org/donate to help raise the remaining funds!

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

E-MAIL LIST: To join OT email list, contact Gene Wasserman at genew@compugene.com.

KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP: To sponsor Kiddush or reserve Kiddush room contact Mel Barenholtz 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 siegelddad@optonline.net.

HOUSEKEEPING: For housekeeping issues and inquiries contact Lou Smith at ludeeju@gmail.com or 732-572-5633.

KEILIM MIKVAH HOURS

Ohr Torah Keilim Mikvah hours are officially Sundays from 7AM-10AM. If you need special access during non-open hours, contact Barry Siegel 732- 572-4408 or siegelddad@optonline.net.

OHR TORAH YOUTH PROGRAM EVENTS: Children can register for events on OT's website "ohrtorah.net" or call Mayer Berg at 732-572-3429.

REFUAH SHLEIMAH LEARNING: See the OT website, www.ohrtorah.net, for 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 Ki Tavo

Candlelighting:	6:59 PM
Mincha:	7:05 PM

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