



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi

Robert Kreitman - President

Parshas Ki Tisa

15 Adar 5771

February 19, 2011

Shabbos Candlelighting:	5:18PM
Mincha:	5:25PM
Shacharis:	7:45, 9:00 & 9:15 AM
Rabbi Hoffman's Minchas Chinuch Shiur after Hashkama	
Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA):	9:29AM
Rabbi Luban's Maseches Rosh Hashana Shiur - 4:20 PM	
Mincha:	1:30 & 5:10 PM
Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Arnie Lustiger	
Maariv:	6:20 PM
Weekday Shacharis:	
Sun	7:15, 8 & 9AM
Mon (Extra 9am minyan)	6:20, 7:05, 8, 9 AM
Thur	6:20, 7:05, 8am
Tues. Weds, Fri	6:30, 7:10, 8 AM
Weekday Mincha/ Maariv:	5:25PM
Weekday Maariv	7:30 & 10:10 PM
.Rabbi Luban's Shiur: Monday 9:10 PM	
Tuesday Tehillim – 9:50 PM	
DAF YOMI SCHEDULE	
Shabbos 8:15 AM and after Hashkama Minyan	
Friday night after Maariv. Sunday morning after 8 AM Minyan. Weekdays after 7:30 Maariv	

BARUCH HABAH

Ohr Torah would like to welcome newcomers, visitors and guests who are joining us. If our President, Robert Kreitman or Rabbi Yaakov Luban does not get a chance to welcome you personally, please come up and introduce yourself.

KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP

Kiddush sponsorship is available for February 19th & 26th and March 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th. To sponsor a Kiddush or reserve the Kiddush room, please contact Mel Barenholtz in person, by phone or email: mbarenh@yahoo.com. To sponsor a Shalosh Seudos, please contact Moshe Wiesel.

OHR TORAH NEWSLETTER

To subscribe to these Announcements, please email info@ohrtorah.net and request to be added to the distribution.

BUILDING DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIES

Contact Moshe Schneider at 732-618-4702 or at mschneider19@yahoo.com

TREE OF LIFE and/or 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 by contacting Barry Siegel at siegeldad@optonline.net or 732-572-4408

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 by calling Mayer Berg at 732-572-3429.

REFUAH SHLEIMAH LEARNING

Please see the Ohr Torah website, www.ohrtorah.net, for the various schedules of learning as a Z'chus for a Refuah Shleimah for members of our shul and community.

MAZEL TOV

...to Susie and Barry Wolf on the upcoming marriage, this Sunday, of their daughter Shoshie to Asher Dworetzky. Mazel Tov to sisters Rachel, Lizie, and Tani. and to grandparents Rabbi and Mrs. Poleyeff.
 ...to Karen and Yoel Schwartz on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Naama. Mazel Tov to Naama's siblings, Arie, Josh, and Adina, and to the grandparents, Irving Schwartz and Diane & Maurice Kessler.
 ...to Rena and Elchanan Milgraum on the birth of a baby boy. Mazal tov to the Milgraums, Wallers, and Nussbaums. *Shalom Zachor will be at 4 Hedges Road at 8:30 PM*
 ...to Debby and Moshe Schneider on the birth of a daughter, Leah Hadassah, to their children Elisha and Yael Domb in Israel.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week is sponsored by Karen and Yoel Schwartz in honor of Naama's Bat Mitzvah.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is jointly sponsored by Moish & Suzie Wiesel in memory of the Shloshim of sister in law Shprintza bas Zev Arye, and Moshe & Debby Schneider, to celebrate the birth of their newest granddaughter Leah Hadassah.

RABBI LUBAN'S MONDAY NIGHT SHIUR

Rabbi Luban's Monday night shiur will discuss the timely topic of Adar I, & Adar II. Which is the added leap year month? How does this affect Adar Bar Mitzva dates?, Yahrzeit dates? Why is Purim in Adar 2?

HAMAKOM YENACHEM

The entire shul mourns the passing of Mirel Hanfling and conveys condolences to her husband Hersz Hanfling, and children Marc Hanfling and Rozzie Slepoy. *May you be comforted among the mourners of Tzion and Yerushalyaim.*

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISHMAR

Mishmar learning program is held at RPRY every Motzei Shabbat @ 7:30. Please bring your own seforim. Cost is \$3.00 which includes, pizza, donuts, prizes and raffles.

RJJ DINNER

The Rabbi Jacob Joseph School Annual Scholarship Dinner will take place Sunday February 20th At the Hyatt Regency, New Brunswick. We will be paying tribute to Rabbi Yitzchok Y. Blumenkrantz And honoring Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Schachter. For info, ads and reservations, please call the Yeshiva Office 732-985-6533.

PURIM CARDS AVAILABLE FROM CHILDREN'S FUND

Newly designed Purim Mishloach Manot Cards are available for purchase for \$2.00 each from the Children's Fund in Memory of Dina Eisner. All proceeds from the sale support a very worthy local charity. To obtain the cards, send e-mail to: childrensfundhp@gmail.com or contact: Tova Josefovitz (732) 572-9432 or Janice Lustiger - (732) 819-4919. We will be happy to deliver the cards to you.

RPRY ANNUAL DINNER

Rabbi Pesach Raymon Yeshiva Is Pleased To Announce That Their Annual Dinner Campaign Is Now Underway. The Dinner Will Take Place On Sunday Evening February 27th At The Doubletree Hotel In Somerset NJ. They Are Delighted To Announce, That The Guests Of Honor At This Year's Dinner Will Be Rochelle & Ralph Dessau And Debbie & Milton Erdfarb. Mr. Nachum Sorkin, Their Beloved Associate Principal Will Be Receiving A Lifetime Achievement Award In Recognition Of His More Than Twenty Years of Devoted Service to RPRY. In Addition, the RPRY Class Of 1990 Will Be Celebrating 20 Years Since Their Graduation. A Special Tribute To The Members Of That Class Will Be Presented At The Dinner. Reservations Will Be Accepted Until February 22nd. Forms Are Available On www.rpry.org

KOLLEL AMERICA BENEFIT

SAVE THE DATE, Motzei Shabbos March 5, for a gala Melave Malka and Chinese Auction event to benefit Kollel America, the American charity of Rav Meir Baal HaNess, an organization assisting American olim in Israel. The event will take place at Ohr Torah. Entrance is \$15/person which includes a \$10 raffle ticket or \$25/couple which includes a \$15 ticket. The door opens at 8:15pm. The auction begins at 10:15pm. For more info, please contact Chani at 732-985-1866.

ACTT

The ACTT (Achieving Change through Torah) organization helps individuals succeed in making meaningful and lasting changes in their lives. The ACTT web-site contains the audio of the shiurim from the ACTT program and the corresponding module packets. For more info, e-mail info@actt613.org or call Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762 or Aviva Siegel (732) 572-4408.

NORPAC MISSION TO WASHINGTON

Participate in the NORPAC Mission to Wash DC, Wed. April 6. Buses leave for Washington at 6:15 am from Edison / Highland Park. There will be briefings on each bus. Shacharit davening will be at 5:45 am in Ohr Torah and Ahavas Achim. There will be a minyan for Mincha and maariv on the way home. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner will be provided. Early registration deadline of Feb. 7 for discounted rates of \$75 for students and \$125 for adults. Register online at www.NORPAC.net or by phone at 201-788-5133. For more info contact Marc Hanfling (docdad@aol.com), Barry Wolf, Harvey Atlas, Eli Borger

KHAL CHASSIDIM OF H.P. ANNUAL MELAVE MALKA

Rabbi and Mrs. Horowitz invite the community to hear educator and author Rabbi Hanoch Teller at the Khal Chassidim of Highland

REMINDER: The emergency Defibrillator is mounted on the wall in the hallway. PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR MORE OHR TORAH INFORMATION

Park Annual Malava Malka Event, Motzi Shabbos Parshas Vayakhel, February 26th at 8pm at Congregation Etz Ahaim, 230 Dennison St.

BIKUR CHOLIM OF RV NEEDS YOUR HELP

-Bikur Cholim is looking for men who are able to read the Megillah on Purim for people who are in the hospital or home-bound. Could you please include this in the weekly email? Anyone who is able to do this can contact me on my cell phone (732) 690-7193, or our home phone (732) 572-5140. Thank you for your help, Ronnie Shilcrat

-Bikur Cholim of Raritan Valley is in desperate need of your help today!!! Please note, the need for volunteers has increased greatly over the last year. We urge you to please contact the organization with whatever resources you may have available. Email address:

volunteers@bikurcholimrv.org

Hotline number: 1-732-572-7181

16th ANNUAL BIKUR CHOLIM EVENT

The Bikur Cholim of Raritan Valley cordially invites you to attend the 16th Annual Event on Sunday, March 6, 2011 at 6PM in the evening at the Pines Manor, 2085 Route 27, Edison. The guest speaker is Rabbi Benjamin Yudin, spiritual leader of Cong. Shomrei Torah in Fair Lawn, NJ and a noted educator and lecturer. A buffet dinner will be served. Invitations have been mailed. If you did not receive an invitation or if you are not on our mailing list and would like to be included, please call 732-572-7181.

WINE & CHEESE TASTING EVENT

Please join us for a community-wide Wine and Cheese Tasting event taking place Motzei Shabbat Saturday evening, March 12th at 8:30 pm at Cong Etz Ahaim located at 230 Denison St. Featuring the fine wines of Royal Wine Corp. (OU) and the hand-made artisanal cheeses of 5 Spoke Creamery (Kof-K). The tasting will be led by Jay Buchsbaum, International Director of Fine Wine Education at Royal Wine. Cost is \$13 per person /\$20 per couple if paid by March 2nd and \$18 per person/\$30 per couple afterwards. Please note that no one under 21 will be admitted. Make checks payable to Congregation Etz Ahaim (include the number of people attending) or place reservations online at www.etzahaim.org/tasting. Please contact Richard Shakarchi with questions at rjshak@yahoo.com.

EMUNAH PURIM CARDS

EMUNAH Purim cards are now available. Purchase cards at the EMUNAH art auction on February 26 or by contacting Sharon Hirt: 732-777-0462 or Sharon.Hirt@Pfizer.com. \$2.00/card

ORTHODOX FORUM

On Motzei Shabbat March 5, 8:30 PM at Congregation Ohr Torah, The Orthodox Forum of Edison/Highland Park, presents Rabbi Dr. Barry Freundel on the topic: "Modern Orthodoxy at the Crossroads". **Rabbi Dr. Freundel** is the spiritual leader of Kesher Israel: The Georgetown Synagogue. The program will be chaired by Mrs.

Marcia Levinson. A Q&A session will follow the presentation. For more information, please email hpedisonorthodoxforum@gmail.com.

SEFER TORAH IN MEMORY OF TALY COHEN, Z"l

Please join in honoring the beautiful life and spirit of Taly Cohen a"h, by contributing to the writing of a Sefer Torah in her memory. Dedication forms located in synagogue lobby or contact Leslie Ostrin: 732-745-8774 or leslienbo@monmouth.com. All funds collected will go to the Taly Cohen Memorial Fund, to support the writing of the Sefer Torah and an annual scholar-in-residence program at the Young Israel of East Brunswick. "Hatchala" (Beginning) of the writing of the Sefer Torah to be held at YIEB, 193 Dunhams Corner Road, E. Brunswick, NJ on Sunday, March 6, 2011 at 10:00 am. RSVP to talytorahdedication@yieb.org.

JR NCSY NEWS

- NCSY Shabbat afternoon oneg at 3:15 at Marc Shapiro's house 135 North 8th, HP
-The Jr NCSY Winter Inter Regional Shabbaton (NJ and Atlantic Seaboard regions) is happening in Cherry Hill NJ!!
02/25/2011 to 02/27/2011. Come see your friends from Philly and Cherry Hill!!! Chance to win a free Ipad at regional! Open to all 6th-8th graders! Register for the shabbaton online at www.njncsy.com Exact bus times leaving and returning to RPRY, TBA. Call Gavi 732.406.3744 or Tzvi 732.991.2252 with any questions

EMUNAH'S ANNUAL ART AUCTION

EMUNAH's annual art auction will take place this year on February 26, 2011 at Congregation Ohr Torah. Enjoy an entertaining evening out and take home competitively priced art. Many Jewish-themed art pieces at all price levels will be available. Dinner buffet at 8 pm for donors of \$18 per person or more (\$36, \$50, \$75, \$100). Doors open for general admission (\$5) at 8:30 pm, auction starts 9 pm. Refreshments, door prize, raffle. Make your reservations now – send check payable to EMUNAH to Sharon Hirt, 10 Olden Rd, Edison, NJ 08817. Questions call 732-777-0462.

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For location and more info, contact Rachel Weintraub at [732-819-9298](tel:732-819-9298) or rachel@weintraubworld.net.

WOMEN'S GROUPS

-Rebbitzen Eichenstein will be having her Navi class on Sefer Tehillim, Sunday morning, February 20 at 10:00 AM at Cong. Agudath Israel. There will not be class on Monday evening, February 21. Classes are for women only. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at 732-572-4408

siegelmom@optonline.net, Ricki Stern 732-828-6939 rickistern@yahoo.com.

-Mrs. Miri Cohen's ladies Parsha class will NOT meet this Wednesday morning, February 23.

-The Women's AMEN Group will meet on Sunday at 9:30 AM at the home of Rebecca Rivkin, 1

Opatut Court, Edison. To participate in challah baking or saying Shir Hashirim in the zechus of a refuah shelaimah for Menachem Mordechai ben Ophira, please contact E.J. Berman at 732-991-8090 or EJPartyworks@aol.com.

-The Irgun Shiurai Torah Worldwide Shovavim Project Lecture presents a shiur for women, featuring Rebbetzin Eichenstein, focusing on the halachos related to Taharas Hamishpacha on Monday, Feb 28, 2011 at 8 pm at Ohav Emeth

AA ANNUAL DINNER

Congregation Ahavas Achim will be holding its 122nd Annual Dinner on Saturday night, March 12, 2011 at 8:30PM at Ahavas Achim. The guests of honor this year are our associate members, Lori and Jonathan Caplan. The young leadership award will be given to Chery and Michael Kornfeld, the children of our members, Marion and David Kornfeld. The deadline for journal ads is February 18. For further information, please call the AA office at (732) 247-0532.

RABBI HOFFMAN'S SHIUR

Rabbi Hoffman has resumed his shiur on topics in Masechta Brochos on Wednesdays evenings at 8:30 pm at the Agudah. For more info or to be added to the e-mail list to receive notifications of weekly topics, please contact Russell Adler at radler@ebglaw.com

PARK MIKVAH

The Edison/Highland Park Mikvah will be open Saturday-Thursday, 8:30-10:30pm. Friday nights are by appointment only, and must be made by Thursday night at 8:30pm. Fee \$15. OUT OF HOURS: additional \$20. You must arrive and leave during regular mikvah hours. Standard time hours end Saturday night March 12th. Call 732-249-2411

KEYLIM MIKVAH HOURS OF OPERATION

The OT Keylim Mikvah will be open Sunday Mornings from 9AM to 12 Noon. Please make sure to leave the area clean and neat.

LOCAL ERUV

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

Shabbos Vayak'hel	
Candlelighting	5:26 PM
Mincha	5:35 PM

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Ohr Torah can now be found on the internet at <http://www.ohrtorah.net> You can join the email list for Weekly Announcements. Any ideas and comments about the site can be sent to webmaster@ohrtorah.net Announcements should be sent to announcements@ohrtorah.net Submit all announcements by 7 PM Wednesday. **TELEPHONE:** Call 732-777-6840, press Newsletter option (spell all names)

PLEASE NOTE: Please make sure that you leave a contact/callback name and phone # in case there is a question regarding the item you wish to be printed, otherwise it may not be included.