



# Congregation Ohr Torah

## Weekly Announcements

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**Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi**

**Robert Kreitman - President**

*Rosh Hashanah – Shabbos Ha'azinu*

*29 Elul 5771 – 3 Tishrei 5772*

*Sept 28 – Oct 1, 2011*

**Erev Rosh Hashanah (Wed Sept 28):**

- Candlelighting: 6:27 PM
- Eruv Tavshilin before candlelighting*
- Mincha (two minyanim): 6:35 PM

**First Day Rosh Hashanah (Thurs Sept 29):**

- Shacharis 6:45, 8:15 AM - shofar not before 9, 10:30
- Mincha: 5:30 PM *followed by Tashlich*
- Candlelighting: Not before 7:34 PM
- Maariv (two minyanim): 7:25 PM

**Second Day Rosh Hashanah (Fri Sept 30)**

- Shacharis 6:45, 8:15 AM - shofar not before 9, 10:30
- Mincha: 6:15 PM
- Candlelighting Erev Shabbos: 6:23 PM

**Shabbos Shuva (October 1)**

- Shacharis: 7:45, 9 & 9:15 AM
- Mincha Shabbos Day: 1:45 & 5:40 PM *followed by Shabbos Shuva drasha:*

**NOTE: No Shalosh Seudos in Shul  
No Gemara Rosh Hashanah Shiur**

- Maariv: 7:25 PM, Shab. Ends: 7:30 PM

**Tzom Gedalia (Sunday October 2)**

- Fast Begins – 5:42 AM*
- Slichos/Shacharis: 6:30 7:20& 8:30 AM
- Mincha: 1:30 & 6:05 PM
- Late maariv: 7:10

*Fast Ends - 7:29 PM*

*Monday October 3-Thursday October 6:*

- Slichos - 40 minutes before shacharis at both 6:20/ 6:30 and 7:05/ 7:10 minyanim, 35 minutes before shacharis at 8:00 AM minyan
- Mincha - 6:15 PM
- Late Maariv 10:10 PM

**Erev Yom Kippur (Friday October 7):**

- Slichos: 6:10, 6:50, 7:40 & 8:50 AM
- Mincha: 2:00 & 3:30 PM
- Candlelighting: 6:12 PM
- Sunset: 6:30 PM
- Kol Nidrei: 6:15 PM downstairs, 6:20 PM upstairs

**Daf Yomi Yom Tov Schedule**

Wednesday - after Maariv

Thursday ,first day Rosh hashana-6:30

Friday,second day Rosh Hashana-5:30

Shabbos Shuva-5:00

**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 introduce yourself.

**KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP**

Kiddush sponsorship is available for the first two days of Sukkos, Shabbos Chol Ha'Moed and Shemini Atzeres. To sponsor a Kiddush or reserve the Kiddush room, please contact Mel Barenholtz in person, by phone or email: [mbarenh@yahoo.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:siegeldad@optonline.net) or 732-572-4408

**HOUSEKEEPING**

For housekeeping issues and inquiries contact Lou Smith at [ludeeju@gmail.com](mailto:ludeeju@gmail.com) or 732-572-5633.

**OHR TORAH YOUTH PROGRAM EVENTS**

Children can register for events on Ohr Torah's website "ohrtorah.net" or by calling Mayer Berg at 732-572-3429.

**REFUAH SHLEIMAH LEARNING**

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

**MAZEL TOV**

...to Gail and Billy Bogner on the birth of a son, Asher, to their children Dina and Dan Heiss. Mazel Tov to the entire Bogner and Heiss families.

**SPECIAL ROSH HASHANA YOUTH PROGRAM**

Congregation Ohr Torah will have a special youth program on Rosh Hashana for children in grades Nursery thru Sixth Grade beginning at 11:30 AM. We will initially meet in the back of the Kiddush Room for the sounding of the Shofar (30 Kolot) for women and children and will then proceed to the Beit Medrash for our Junior Congregation and classrooms as well. We will discuss the importance of the Yomim Nora'im through relevant stories and special "sweet" treats will be provided. Please note that signs will be posted on all classroom doors with the grades of the children for that location. The program will conclude when the Main Minyan has completed.

*The COT Youth Department wishes everyone a happy, healthy and sweet New Year!*

**YOMIM NORA'IM BABYSITTING**

Congregation Ohr Torah is proud to announce that once again we will provide complimentary babysitting for the Yomim Nora'im in the first classroom when coming downstairs using the main stairwell. This service is for all children ages 1-4. It is imperative that all children attending our babysitting are able to walk (and not need to be held) and that parents please ensure that our staff is aware of your seating location should we need to find you. We will have a seating chart available. Also please provide our staff with any baby wipes/diapers as needed. We will be unable to accommodate

children who have not reached their first birthday.

The dates and hours for our babysitting service are as follows:

1. Thursday September 29, 2011 (Rosh Hashana Day One) 10 AM to 2 PM
2. Friday September 30, 2011 (Rosh Hashana Day Two) 10 AM to 2 PM
3. Friday October 7, 2011 (Yom Kippur night) 6 PM to 9 PM
4. Shabbat October 8, 2011 (Yom Kippur Day) 10 AM to 3:30 PM & 5:30 PM to 7:15 PM

The COT Youth Department wishes everyone a K'tiva V'Chatima Tova. Any questions please email Mayer Berg at [marcberg@verizon.net](mailto:marcberg@verizon.net).

**YOUTH RAFFLE**

Please help support Ohr Torah's youth groups by purchasing raffle ticket(s). The cost of the tickets are one for \$36, two for \$70, or 3 for \$100. The drawing will be held at the annual Shul dinner on December 18<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Barry Siegel, Lyndon Goldsmith or Mayer Berg to purchase tickets. All proceeds support the OT Youth programs.

**ISRAEL BOND APPEAL 2011**

In these times of global attack on Israel, the Israel Bond Appeal is stressing the need for each and every Jew to be counted and to bond with Israel by buying a bond, even of the lowest possible denomination. The focus is on each and everyone to buy a bond so we have 100% participation. No self respecting Jew should be left behind.

**NEW MEMBERS**

Please welcome new members:

- Rabbi and Mrs. Neal Turk
- Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Edery
- Rabbi and Mrs. Ira Wasser

**LULAV & ESROG ORDERING**

When ordering from below, please mention Ohr Torah and OT will receive a donation for each sale.

a.. Barry Siegel & Family  
[siegeldad@optonline.net](mailto:siegeldad@optonline.net), 732-572-4408

b.. Judaica Gallery,  
[judaicagallery@hotmail.com](mailto:judaicagallery@hotmail.com), 732-828-7722  
Please see the flyers for additional information.

All checks for Lulavim and Esrogim must be made out to the appropriate vendor and NOT Congregation Ohr Torah. No check made out to COT will be cashed.

**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**HIGHLAND PARK GARBAGE AND/OR  
RECYCLING COLLECTION –  
YOM TOV ACCOMMODATIONS**

For residents of Highland Park whose garbage and/or recycling collection falls on a Thursday or Friday; on Wed Sept. 28th, Wed. Oct. 12th and Wed. Oct 19th, garbage (non bulk) and recycling items may be brought to the Highland Park Dept. of Public Works, 444 Valentine St (Corner of South 5th Ave and Valentine) between 7AM and 1PM. Please do not come before 7; the trucks doing collection will be leaving around that time and we want to assure resident safety. For any questions, please call the department of public works, 732 247 9379.

**CHAI LIFELINE SHABBATON**

The second annual Chai Lifeline Shabbaton in HP/Edison will take place the weekend of October 28-29, at Ohr Torah. The first shabbaton was a resounding success, thanks to the participation of the community. We gave the children of Chai Lifeline, who suffer from chronic or life-threatening illnesses, a Shabbat to remember. The Seduah Shelisht on Shabbat at OT at 5:40 will be open to the community. All residents are invited to share in the mitzvah of Hachnasat Orchim, and to enliven the weekend with joy and song. Last year many people asked to be notified of the Shabbaton in advance of the date, and many asked if they could volunteer this year. There will be "buddy" opportunities for high school boys, and other opportunities throughout the weekend for adults, teens, and children to be involved, either through sponsorships, help driving kids to/from their host families, catering assistance, or help at the Saturday night event.

If you would like to volunteer, please e-mail your name and, if you are under 18, your age, to Alan Borck at [borck99@gmail.com](mailto:borck99@gmail.com).

If you would like to help sponsor the weekend, please contact Eli Reinitz at [eli@isourcencyc.com](mailto:eli@isourcencyc.com).

**NCYSY SUKKOT EXTRAVAGANZA**

NCYSY will again be selling tickets to our Sukkot extravaganza at Six Flags Great Adventure and Hershey Park! Please call the office at 201.862.0250 to purchase tickets or visit our website for tickets [www.ncsygreatadventure.com](http://www.ncsygreatadventure.com)

**SIMCHAT BEIT HOSHEAVA**

Join the entire community in a Simchat Beit Hosheava, the traditional Sukkot party that brings unity and joy, coordinated by the Mekor Chaim/Steinsaltz Ambassadors program at the RPRY Sukkah on Sunday, Oct 16, starting 5PM. Food, dancing, joy and happiness! All ages are welcome! Contact Rabbi Shmulie Greene at [rabbishmulie@steinsaltz.org](mailto:rabbishmulie@steinsaltz.org) for more info and sponsorship opportunities.

**HIGHLAND PARK NCSY**

Highland Park NCSY is super excited to be kicking off a new year. We will be having lots of great programs, so keep your eyes and ears opened. Our first major event will be to join with friends from around New Jersey for a Chol Ha'Moed trip to Hershey Park on Monday, Oct 17th!! The bus leaves AA at 9am, looking forward to seeing you there. To sign up, simply go to [www.mynycsy.com](http://www.mynycsy.com), then sign in and you will see where to sign up for Hershey Park. Please make all payments online.

**RPRY KIDSTUFF COUPON BOOKS**

RPRY is selling Kidstuff Coupon Books the valuable, family-friendly are now available through our school! Use just a few coupons and quickly

save more than the \$25.00 cost of the book...Remember to keep the book in your car! Family and friends will love saving with KidStuff...They are great for gifts too! To purchase please contact Rena Klein at [renalg@aol.com](mailto:renalg@aol.com) or the RPRY office at 732-572-5052

**BIKUR CHOLIM IN NEED OF YOM TOV  
VOLUNTEERS**

Bikur Cholim is looking for men who are able to go to the hospital on Rosh HaShanah to blow the shofar for Jewish patients. We are also in need of men who can go around to the rooms on the first 2 days of Succoth with a Lulav & Esrog. Anyone who is able to do this can contact Mrs. Ronnie Shilcrat on (732) 690-7193 or (732) 572-5140.

**RPRY EVENTS**

Parents -- PLEASE READ!  
RPRY has posted a survey to assess the community's interest in the establishment of an RPRY High School. If you are the parent of a child in elementary or middle school or you are eager to see a Yeshiva High School in Raritan Valley, your input is critical! Please take a few moments to share your opinions at <http://www.rpry.org/highschoolsurvey.htm>. The survey will be open until October 1st. - RPRY is pleased to offer the Culinary Temptations the RPRY cookbook. Learn new and easy recipes before Yom Tov. Books are \$25 and available through the school office. Please contact [pta@rpry.org](mailto:pta@rpry.org) to purchase books. -RPRY PTA is pleased to present. Let's Be Safe! We all want to keep our children safe, secure, confident and happy. With its delightful pictures child-friendly rhyming text, Let's Stay Safe helps us give our children essential life lessons in safe and unsafe behavior.

The PTA is offering this book at a discounted price of \$10.50. To order please contact [pta@rpry.org](mailto:pta@rpry.org) or call the office at 732-572-5052.

**JCC OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY**

The JCC of Middlesex County on Oak Tree Rd in Edison is offering separate swim times for men and women. Men: Wednesday 8:30-9:30PM; Women: Sunday 4:30-5:30PM AND Monday 8:30-9:30PM. Membership is NOT REQUIRED. Purchase a \$50. water fitness card at the JCC front desk good for 10 swims. For more info please call Diane Mael, Dir of Adult Services at 732-494-3232 extension 614.

**JFVS ELDERDAY DAY CARE ADULT DAYCARE**

JFVS has openings in its Elderday, social adult daycare program. The program provides a safe, supervised environment for frail senior adults with medical and/or cognitive impairments. It meets 3x/week from 9AM-2PM. A continental breakfast and glatt kosher lunch are provided. For info, call JFVS: 732-777-1940 or 609-395-7979.

**ACTT**

The current ACTT module is The Six Constant Mitzvos. Source book: Artscroll - The Six Constant Mitzvos - Based on a Series of Lectures by Rabbi Yitzchok Berkowitz, by Rabbi Yehuda Heimowitz and Rabbi Shai Markowitz. To volunteer or for more info on ACTT, e-mail [info@actt613.org](mailto:info@actt613.org), see the ACTT web-site: [www.actt613.org](http://www.actt613.org), or call Phil Rosen (732)572-8762, or Aviva Siegel (732)572-4408.

**PLEASE SUPPORT JFVS – BUY A RAFFLE:**

Jewish Family and Vocational Service of Middlesex County is raising critical funds through the sale of cruise raffle tickets. This year's raffle prize is a 7-

day cruise for two on a Celebrity Cruise Line ship to the destination of your choice, a \$2,500 value. Raffle tickets are \$36 each or three for \$100. The winner will be chosen on Dec 11, 2010.

All proceeds support the agency's Kosher Food Pantry, Kosher Meals on Wheels, and other vital social service programs for the Jewish Community. To purchase a ticket or tickets please contact Murray Katz at 732-985-7348 or [katzmurray@yahoo.com](mailto:katzmurray@yahoo.com).

**TIFERES**

Tiferes, a Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation program for women, will be meeting Motzai Shabbos, Oct 29 at 9PM, at the home of Aviva Siegel, 16 Edgemount Rd, Edison, NJ. An inspirational DVD will be shown. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are also available to Tiferes members. For more info, please contact Aviva [siegelmom@optonline.net](mailto:siegelmom@optonline.net) or Debbie Schneider 732-572-4713. The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom, Malky Herzig.

**KEREN KOL KALLAH**

Collecting Sheitels: Keren Kol Kallah - established to provide orphan and destitute kallahs in Israel with essential needs. Keren Kol Kallah has one main fund-raiser, an annual *gala Sheitel Sale*. 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. Sheitels can be dropped off to Aviva, 16 Edgemount Rd, Edison. For more info, please see the web site: <http://www.kerenkolkallah.webs.com/> or contact Aviva Siegel (732) 572-4408 [siegelmom@optonline.net](mailto:siegelmom@optonline.net)

**EMUNAH ORIENTAL RUGS**

Oriental rugs to benefit Emunah: Emunah still has some hand-made oriental rugs left. Please call Sue Redlich at 732-558-4917 or email at [sueredlich@hotmail.com](mailto:sueredlich@hotmail.com) for an appointment. Day and evening hours are available. All proceeds to go to Emunah.

**AMEN GROUP**

The Women's AMEN Group meets weekly on Sundays at 9:30 AM in a downstairs classroom at Congregation Ohr Torah. To participate in challah baking or saying Shir Hashirim in the zechus of a re'ufah shelaimah for Menachem Mordechai ben Ophira and Rav Chaim Zev ben Ettl Chaya, please contact E.J. Berman at 732-991-8090 or [EJPartyworks@aol.com](mailto:EJPartyworks@aol.com).

**HADASSAH EVENTS**

-Hadassah Mitzvah of Love Tribute Luncheon Raritan Valley Chapter of Hadassah invites you to join us at our Mitzvah of Love Tribute Luncheon on Sunday, Oct 30<sup>th</sup> from 12:00-3pm at Cong Ahavas Achim. The luncheon will be honoring: Gittel Footerman and Leah Silver. Certificate Recipients are: Selma Goldblatt, Barbara Nathan, Mollie Reuben and Finette Ziment. Couvert: \$45; suggested tax deductible donation: \$200. Proceeds to benefit Hadassah Medical Organization. Dietary laws observed. RSVP by Oct 15, to Marian Campisi, 805 Carpenter RD, North Brunswick, New Jersey 08902. Please make checks payable to Hadassah - Raritan Valley Chapter.

-Hadassah Chai Pushke Brunch Raritan Valley Chapter of Hadassah's annual Chai Pushke Brunch will take place on Sun, Nov 20, 2011, at 11am at the home of Judy and Paul

**PLEASE HELP KEEP THE SHUL NEAT...PLEASE RETURN SIDDURIM & CHUMASHIM TO THE REAR OF THE SANCTUARY  
AFTER DAVENING.**

Rosen, 3 Eagle Rd, Edison. Philip Cantor of the Jewish Historical Society of Central Jersey will be the featured speaker. His topic is "Jewish Pirates." Cost: \$18; Sponsor: \$10. RSVP by Nov 12 by contacting Judy Rosen at 732-549-2897 or Marcela Rubin at 732-388-2579.

-Hadassah General Meeting

What's Up at Rutgers? Join Raritan Valley Chapter of Hadassah for our General Meeting on Tuesday, Oct 18, at the Highland Park Conservative Temple, at 7:30pm to find out. Learn about how the campus community has responded to events in the Middle East, and how Rutgers Jewish students have learned to be effective advocates for Israel. A representative of Rutgers Hillel will be the featured speaker. Light refreshments served.

-Hadassah Life membership on special until the end of 2011 Yes it is true! You can buy a Hadassah LIFE membership for a child or grandchild, or make a man in your life an Associate, or upgrade your own membership to a LIFE membership for just \$100 (a saving of \$260). Please take advantage of this great offer by sending a check made out to Hadassah with member's name, address, phone number, and email address to Rose Reiss, 308 Wayne St., Highland Park, NJ 08904 or to Hadassah National directly. Questions? Contact Rose Reiss at 732-828-7415 or [rposes@verizon.net](mailto:rposes@verizon.net).

-Hadassah Chicks with Sticks Raritan Valley Chapter of Hadassah Chicks with Sticks knitting group will meet on Wed, Oct 26, at 8:15pm, at 118 Donaldson St Highland Park. We make hats for preemies, children with cancer, and American and Israeli soldiers. Everyone is welcome. Assistance is given to those new to knitting or crocheting. All you need to bring is size 7 and 8 knitting needles. It is best to have bamboo needles as they are easier on your hands. Bring double pointed and/or round needles if you want to learn to knit with them. Yarn and instructions will be provided. For more info, contact Natalie Herbin at [safti18@gmail.com](mailto:safti18@gmail.com) or

732-339-8492. The latest batch of 50 hats, knitted by Chicks With Sticks, was given to Tillie Pass to deliver to the local cancer centers. Tillie Pass thanks all knitters who produced hats all summer long and dropped them at her house. She was able to deliver to three hospitals and was thanked profusely by the staff for the knitters contributions. If you want to join in this worthwhile cause by knitting at home, call Tillie at 732-572-0753.

-Hadassah Book Club

The Hadassah Book group will meet on Sunday, Oct 23, at 7:30 p.m. We are reading the last few chapters of The Pity of it All, by Amos Elan. It is the story of German Jewry from the time of Moses Mendelson to the rise of the Nazi regime. Please contact Gustine Matt at 732-545-3147 or [gustinematt@gmail.com](mailto:gustinematt@gmail.com) if you would like to join.

#### **JFVS**

Jewish Family & Vocational Service (JFVS) Looking for Committee Members. This is not just another routine request for occasional volunteers or food for the needy. This is an urgent request for talented, thoughtful, committed, and hard-working members of the community to join an extremely worthy organization. We are looking for people for the following committees: Career Services, Fund Development, Professional Services, Marketing/Public Relations, Senior Services, and Volunteer Services. We are particularly seeking people experienced in Marketing and Public Relations.

For more info or to volunteer, please contact Murray Katz, President of JFVS at 732-985-7348 or [katzmurray@yahoo.com](mailto:katzmurray@yahoo.com) or Sara Levine, Executive Director of JFVS at 732-777-1940 or [sara@jfvs.org](mailto:sara@jfvs.org).

#### **EMPLOYMENT NETWORK OF RARITAN VALLEY**

Looking for work? We can help. Go to [www.ENRV.org](http://www.ENRV.org) or contact Bob Lansey at [enrv@verizon.net](mailto:enrv@verizon.net). We post over 100 jobs each month, and help people with their resume and

search strategies. Please help: If you know of any professional, part-time, or temporary job openings, please e-mail the information to [enrv@verizon.net](mailto:enrv@verizon.net).

#### **PARK MIKVAH**

The Edison/Highland Park Mikvah will be open from 9-11pm Sunday-Thursday. Friday nights and Yom Tov are by APPOINTMENT ONLY. Saturday nights until the clocks change, hours are 9:00pm to 10:30pm. You must arrive and leave during regular Mikvah hours. Fee is \$15. OUT OF HOURS: additional \$20. PLEASE BE AWARE WITH DANGEROUS WEATHER AND TRAVEL CONDITIONS, the mikvah may have to make the decision not to open. In such a case, please call the mikvah before leaving home. Phone number is: 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 Yom Kippur	
Candlelighting	6:12 PM
Mincha	2:00 & 3:30 PM

#### **VISIT OHR TORAH ON THE WEB!**

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](mailto:webmaster@ohrtorah.net) Announcements should be sent to [announcements@ohrtorah.net](mailto: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.