



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parshas Tetzaveh

8 Adar 5771

February 12, 2011

Shabbos Candlelighting:	5:09PM
Mincha:	5:15PM
Shacharis:	7:45, 9:00 AM
<i>Please NOTE- NO YFM this week</i>	
<i>Rabbi Hoffman's Minchas Chinuch Shiur</i>	
<i>after Hashkama</i>	
Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA):	9:33AM
<i>Rabbi Luban's Maseches Rosh Hashana</i>	
<i>Shiur - 4:00 PM</i>	
Mincha:	1:30 & 4:50 PM
<i>Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Larry Tiefenbrunn</i>	
Maariv:	6:15 PM
Weekday Shacharis:	
Sun	7:15, 8 & 9AM
Mon & Thur	6:20, 7:05, 8 AM
Tues. Weds. Fri	6:30, 7:10, 8 AM
Weekday Mincha/ Maariv:	
Weekday Maariv	7:30 & 10:10 PM
<i>.Rabbi Luban's She'eilos Uteshuvos Shiur:</i>	
<i>Monday 9:10 PM</i>	
<i>Tuesday Tehillim – 9:50 PM</i>	
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 Debbie and Moshe Schneider on the birth of a granddaughter to their children Yael and Elisha Domb in Jerusalem.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush is sponsored by the Young Family Minyan in honor of Rabbi Luban, Rabbi Billowitz and the shul administration.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos this week is sponsored by Mina and Larry Tiefenbrunn Zecher Nishmas Moshe Chayim ben Shimshon Tiefenbrunn and Kayle Tzippah bas Yosef Isur.

SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE

Rabbi Yona Reiss, Menahel/Dean of R.I.E.T.S will be our Scholar in Residence this Shabbat. A Musmach of R.I.E.T.S and a Yale School graduate, Rabbi Reiss' talks will include a Friday Oneg lecture entitled "Beit Din or Secular Courts: Where Should One Go?", and the Shabbat morning Drasha entitled "The World was created for Me". His talk Shabbat afternoon entitled "Maintaining Holiness in a Secular World", will take place upstairs in the main sanctuary following Shalosh Seudos.

SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

-Gedalia and Phyllis Reiss in honor of Shep Gerszberg's Bar Mitzva

-Edward & Sharon Lowinger in memory of Jonathan Friedman's brother Michael Friedman Z"L

-Edward & Sharon Lowinger in memory of Jeff Schwartz's father Nicholas Schwartz Z"L

-Edward & Sharon Lowinger in memory of Doron Shalmon's father Meir Shalmon Z"L

-Saul & Rebecca Wasserman in memory of Saul's mother Francis Wasserman Z"L

COMBAT ANTI-ISRAEL PROPAGANDA

Please join our Middlesex County Jewish Community on Wed, Feb 16 at 7:30PM at the Young Israel of East Brunswick for an important meeting to address how we can combat Anti-Israel propaganda in our local community and college campuses. We had a recent example of this offensive anti-Israel behavior on Rutgers Campus on Motzai Shabbat, Jan. 29, in which Nazi genocide was analogized to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Unfortunately, many more of these events will be occurring in the coming months and we need to educate ourselves about this ongoing delegitimization of Israel. OT is a co-sponsor of this Wednesday, Feb. 16 meeting, which is being coordinated by the Jewish Community Relations Council of

our local Federation. PLEASE attend this meeting and show unity among our community in support of Israel.

THANK YOU

I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude and Hakarat Hatov for the chessed this community displayed at the levaya and during the week of shiva for my mother, Jean Chodosh ,z'l. My mother always taught me to appreciate Hashem's blessings and the kindness of friends. Our family is so grateful for your visits, calls and genuine concern. This wonderful community gave me and my family great comfort during a very difficult time - Thank you very much for your kindness.

Rosa Katz

We would like to thank all those who organized the Mishnayot, Josh Caplan, Moshe Weisel, Barry Siegel, Israel Rivkin, Yossi Strauch and those who participated in the Mishnayot by learning a portion of Mishna and those who sponsored the Siyum. We would like to thank Rabbi Luban, Josh Rapps, Moshe Schneider and Israel Rivkin, all who spoke so beautifully at the Siyum. It was a wonderful tribute to our son, Doug. We feel grateful that Doug was embraced by the Congregation and is remembered so well.

Doctors Eva and Ted Stahl

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

IRANIUM FILM EXCLUSIVE SCREENING

On February 13th, Sunday at 7PM, at the Princeton Garden Theater, 160 Nassau Street, Princeton NJ, (Tickets \$18-students \$5 prepaid with ID) there will be an exclusive screening of the new film "Iranium", a 60 minute film about the Iranian nuclear threat and the radical principles guiding the regime. It is narrated by Academy Award nominated actress, Shohreh Aghdashloo. It will be followed by a keynote address with Raphael Shore, the producer of Iranium. For more info go to www.iraniumthemovie.com/princeton-premiere to make your reservation.

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.

ORTHODOX FORUM

This Motzei Shabbat February 12, 8PM at Cong Ahavas Achim, The Orthodox Forum of Edison/Highland Park presents Rabbi Yona Reiss on the topic: "Challenges for Today's Orthodox Rabbinate". Rabbi Reiss, dean of Yeshiva University's affiliated Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary (RIETS), is a Rabbi, attorney, and jurist who served from 1998 to 2008

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as Director of the Beth Din of America, the largest rabbinical court in the United States. He is a summa cum laude graduate of Yeshiva College, and received his law degree from Yale Law School. Rabbi Reiss received his rabbinic ordination from RIETS, where he also earned the distinction of Yadin Yadin. A frequent writer on a variety of topics relating to both Jewish and secular law, he has published widely in Jewish publications, as well as the New York Law Journal and Wall Street Journal. The program will be chaired by Dr. Moshe Sherman. A Q&A session will follow the presentation. For more information, please email hpeditonorthodoxforum@gmail.com.

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.

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.

MAYHS- 1ST ANNUAL RIKUDIAH

The Moshe Aaron Yeshiva High School invites all women and girls to the first annual Yeshiva High School Rikudiah on Motzei Shabbat Feb12th at 8:30PM. Tickets are being sold now at an early bird price of \$5 each. Contact Sharon Weinstein at sweinstein@mayhs.org or the MAYHS office to purchase a ticket and for sponsorship opportunities. Tickets will be sold for \$10 at the door, so be sure to buy yours early!

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.

MAYHS ANNUAL DINNER 2011:

Please join us at the Moshe Aaron Yeshiva Annual Dinner! This year's Dinner will be held on Sunday, Feb 13, from 6PM – 9PM., at the Young Israel of E. Brunswick. The Guests of Honor are Eileen and Joel Felder of East Brunswick. The Class of 2001 will be celebrating their 10th Reunion. In addition, we will celebrate our Chai year. It has been eighteen years since MAYHS opened its doors to students through Central New Jersey and beyond. To RSVP or to place an ad in the Dinner Journal please contact MAYHS at (732) 613-7460 or adjournal@mayhs.org.

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 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 of Raritan Valley is in desperate need of your help today!!! As a volunteer driven non-profit organization, we rely on the members of our community to help us succeed in addressing the various needs of cholim as well as broader concerns related to health and wellness. 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. Thank you so much for your consideration. Email address: volunteers@bikurcholimrv.org Hotline number: 1-732-572-7181

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

MACH HACH BA'ARETZ

More than just another summer tour, Mach Hach Ba'Aretz is a unique Religious Zionist Educational Program, designed for 10th graders to experience Israel first hand and develop a deeper appreciation of and connection to Eretz Yisrael. 2011/5771 Program OPTIONS: Wilderness Yam L'Yam (Coast to Coast); Wilderness Negev; Army; Hesder; Chessed. Come join Steve Frankel, director of Mach Hach Ba'Aretz, for information for prospective participants and their Parents Tuesday, February 15 at 8:00PM at the Goldstein Home 40 Harrison Ave Highland Park, NJ. Families attending will be eligible for a \$200 voucher to be used towards the present tuition. Hear about special financial

assistance! If you are planning to attend please contact: machhach@bneiakiva.org or 212-465-9536

MA'AYANOT YESHIVA HIGH SCHOOL

Ma'ayanot Yeshiva High School invites the community to attend our Annual Scholarship Fund Dinner on Saturday evening, March 12, 2011, at Congregation Keter Torah in Teaneck. Dr. Hillel Cohen & Linda Moed Cohen of Highland Park will be honored at the dinner, as will Dr. Howie & Paula Friedman, Abie & Dena Feigenbaum, and Mrs. Shayna Goldberg. Our annual dinner is dedicated to underwriting Ma'ayanot's scholarship program and is the only major fundraising campaign for the year. To make reservations or place an ad, please call 201-833-4307 ext 110.

JR NCSY NEWS

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! The early bird price is \$45 until Feb 6th (transportation not included) Exact bus times leaving and returning to RPRY, TBA. Call Gavi 732.406.3744 or Tzvi 732.991.2252 with any questions.

16th ANNUAL BIKUR CHOLIM EVENT

The Bikur Cholim of Raritan Valley cordially invites you to attend the Sixteenth Annual Event. The event will take place on Sunday March 6TH, 2011. The evening will start at 6pm and will be held at Pines Manor located at 2085 Route 27, Edison, NJ. Buffet dinner will be served. Guest speaker will be Rabbi Benjamin Yudin from Congregation Shomrei Torah in Fair Lawn, NJ. Couvert \$36 per person. RSVP: 732-572-7181.

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.

YESHIVA ATERES SHMUEL OF WATERBURY

Melava Malka Reception paying tribute to Rabbi and Mrs. Chaim and Miri Cohen, to benefit Yeshiva Ateres Shmuel of Waterbury. This Motzoei Shabbos at 9:00PM, at the Orani residence, 292 N. 5th Ave, Highland Park, NJ.

WOMEN'S GROUPS

-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.
-Rebbitzen Eichenstein will be having her Navi class on Sefer Tehillim, Sunday morning, February 13 at 10:00 AM at Cong. Agudath Israel and

Parsha class on Monday evening, February 14 at 8PM at Cong. Ohr Torah. Classes are for women only. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at 732-572-4408 siegelmom@optonline.net, Ricki Stern 732-828-6939 rickenstern@yahoo.com. -Mrs. Miri Cohen's ladies Parsha class will meet Wednesday morning, February 16 at 9:15 AM at the home of Ricki Samel, 427 Dennison St, Highland Park. Please bring a Chumash Shemos. -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, February 28, 2011 at 8 pm at Ohav Emeth.

-Reva Judas, founder of Nechamah, will lecture for women on Feb. 14th at Cong. Ahavas Achim at 8:15 PM. He will be addressing the emotional and practical needs of those who have experienced infant or pregnancy loss at any point in their lives and how friends and relatives can provide support for these families. For more info contact Rivka Jaffe (732)572-7796, Gila Miodownik (732) 565-0744 or Sharon Weinstein (732) 354-5913. -Tiferes, a Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation program for women, is starting in the Edison / Highland Park community. For more information

or to join, please email Aviva siegelmom@optonline.net.

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 Ki Tisa	
Candlelighting	5:18 PM
Mincha	5:25 PM

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Sof davar...

by Rabbi Israel Poleyeff

Tannaim and amoraim: Rav Kahana

Rav Kahana, a second generation *amora*, must have been a restless person since he made the trip from Bavel to Israel and back a number of times. He was born in Bavel where he was the student of Rav but soon left for Israel (trip #1) where he became the student of R. Yochanan. Shortly thereafter he returned to Bavel (trip #2) but did not stay very long and travelled back to Israel (trip #3). It was in Israel that the *agada* relates a bizarre story about Rav Kahana. It seems he was sitting in front of Rav when a talebearer (*malshin*) entered and threatened to hand over Jewish money to the authorities. Rav attempted to dissuade him from doing this but the *malshin* refused to listen. Rav Kahana's anger grew as he listened to what was going on. Finally, unable to take it any longer, according to the *agada*, he broke some of the talebearer's bones. Rav then advised Rav Kahana to flee to Israel to the yeshiva of R. Yochanan with the stipulation that he could not ask R. Yochanan any question for 7 years. Rav Kahane heeded his advice and left for Israel (trip #4). When he arrived at R. Yochanan's yeshiva he found Reish Lakish *darshening* and asked him several very good questions. Reish Lakish was very impressed and told R. Yochanan that a great scholar ('ari') has arrived from Bavel, R. Yochanan seated him in the first row but since he asked no questions he moved him further back to the seventh row. R. Yochanan then said to Reish Lakish that his 'ari' has become a 'shual', a fox. Rav Kahana felt that his removal to the seventh row was equal to his seven year ban on asking questions. R. Yochanan agreed and Rav Kahana was now able to ask questions which he did with great insight. Rav Kahana, restless as always, returned to Bavel (trip #5) where he became the teacher of no less than Rabbah and Rav Yosef. But once again he went back to Israel (trip #6) where he eventually died. In some articles about him his life is described as being stormy. One thing for sure. It wasn't a quiet life for a great scholar.