



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi

Robert Kreitman - President

Parshas Vayeishev

21 Kislev 5772

December 17, 2011

Candlelighting: 4:14 PM
Mincha: 4:20 PM
Shacharis: 7:45, 9:00 & 9:15 AM
Rabbi Hoffman's Shiur on Minchas Chinuch After Hashkama
Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA): 9:34 AM
Rabbi Luban's Rosh Hashanah Shiur – 3:15 PM

Mincha: 1:30 & 4:05 PM
Shalosh Seudos Speaker: R. Yaakov Mintz
Maariv: 5:15 PM
Weekday Shacharis:
Sun 7:15, 8:00, 9 AM
Mon 6:20, 7:05, 8 AM
Tues,
Wed-Fri. (Chanukah) 6:15, 7:10, 8 AM
*Earliest Talis and Tefillin:
6:18 Weds, 6:19 Thurs & Fri.*

Weekday Mincha/ Maariv: 4:20PM
Weekday Maariv 7:30 & 10:10 PM
*Rabbi Luban's Monday night Sheilos U'tshuvos Shiur is at 9:10PM.
Tuesday Tehillim – 9:50 PM*

Daf Yomi Schedule
Sun.-after 8 AM Shacharis. Mon.-Thu.-after 7:30 PM Maariv. Friday-after Maariv. Shabbos-1 hour before Mincha.

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 Dec. 24th & 31st and January 7th & 28th. To sponsor a Kiddush or reserve the Kiddush room, please contact Mel Barenholtz in person, or 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 luddeju@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.

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

MAZEL TOV

...to Hedy & Lou Smith and Aliyana & Eugene Wasserman on being honored at Ohr Torah's Annual Shul dinner this Sunday evening.

...to Chaya Gurkov who has just returned from Israel where she celebrated the marriage of her grandson Zalman Gurkov to Nurit Yaish. Mazel Tov to Zalman's parents Rabbi Michel & Chani Gurkov and siblings, to Nurit's parents Zohar, Menucha and family ... to Lilly and Bruce Jacobi on the birth of a son, Etai Yonatan, to their children Raimy and Chevi Jacobi Rubin of Pittsburgh, PA. Special Mazel Tov to "Papa Jack" Nasielski, the great grandfather.

...to Toby and Michael Eleff on the birth of a son to their children Yosef and Shoshana Kassorla in Israel.

...to Randi and Elliot Ostrove on their son Jakey's Bar Mitzvah. Mazel Tov to Sophie, grandparents, Judy & Fred Ginsberg and Karen & Steve Ostrove, and great-grandmother, Gertrude Ostrove, and to the entire Ginsberg & Ostrove families.

...to Janet and Fred Rivenson on the engagement of their daughter Matla to Aryeh Schleider of Jerusalem, Israel, formerly of Passaic, NJ. Mazel Tov to Aryeh's parents Bambi Heisler, and Evy and Alan Schleider of Neve Daniel, and to the entire family.

OHR TORAH ANNUAL DINNER

Ohr Torah will proudly honor two exceptional couples at our annual dinner this Sunday evening. Please join us as we pay tribute to Hedy and Lou Smith, our dinner honorees, and Aliyana and Eugene Wasserman, our service award recipients. We look forward to the full participation of our membership at this important event.

ONEG SHABBOS

Please join our rabbinic intern Rav Effie Kleinberg for an Oneg Friday night December 23, at 7:30 PM at the home of Robert and Riki Kreitman, 22 Marshall drive in Edison. There will be singing, meaningful stories, food. All are welcome!

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos this week is being sponsored by the Mintz family to commemorate the *Shloshim* of Laura's mother, Chaya Rachail bas Yaakov A"H, and the *Yahrtzeit* of Laura's brother, Avraham ben Menachem Mendel Z"L.

SHUL ELECTIONS

The election of Officers and Governing Board of Congregation Ohr Torah will take place Wednesday, December 21. Please contact Harvey Atlas if you require an absentee ballot.

SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

- Robert & Riki Kreitman in memory of Neer Even-Hen's sister Chagit Samet Z"L
- Joseph & Cheryl Staruch in memory of Neer Even-Hen's sister Chagit Samet Z"L
- Joseph & Cheryl Staruch in memory of Aryeh Zinkin's mother Margaret Zinkin Z"L

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

RPRY BREAKFAST

-The Rabbi Pesach Raymon Yeshiva's Annual Scholarship Breakfast will take place this Sunday morning; 9:30 a.m. at the school. This community wide event affords the school an opportunity to express its appreciation to all of their wonderful supporters. We urge you to participate and pay tribute to this very worthy organization which has played a vital role, for close to 70 years in the growth and development of the Jewish Community of Greater Middlesex County.

-The Rabbi Pesach Raymon Yeshiva cordially invites you to "Taste of Honey", our annual Open House for prospective families, to be held on Friday, December 23, 2011 from 9:00-10:00 am, at 2 Harrison Street, Edison. Meet our administration and our teachers. Visit our classes. Enjoy our learning. RSVP to Helene Lockspeiser, Director of Admissions/Early Childhood Director, at 732-572-5052 ext. 215.

MISHMAR

Mishmar learning program is held at RPRY every Motzei Shabbat @ 7:00 PM. Please bring your own seforim. Cost is still only \$3.00 which includes, pizza, donuts, prizes and raffles

CHOFETZ CHAIM HERITAGE FOUNDATION

The Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation presents an Unforgettable Evening of Inspiration, a Worldwide Women's Event – "Rise and Shine" – Tips, Tools and Wisdom for Rising Above the Challenges of Your Family, Home, and Life", a new audio-visual presentation. Hear world class inspirational speakers such as Mrs. Bella Weinreb, Rebbetzin Zlata Press, Mrs. Miriam Swerdlov and more. Also featuring a new musical presentation. This Motzei Shabbos, December 10, 8:00 PM, at Reenas Bais Yaakov, 1131 Raritan Ave. Suggested donation: \$12. For more information, please call Debbie 732-572-4713 or Aviva 732-572-4408.

CHAI LIFELINE TOY DRIVE

The Annual Chai Lifeline Toy Drive is now in progress. Unfortunately toys for all ages are needed more so now than in past years. The drop off location is the RPRY lobby. Only new,

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unwrapped toys can be accepted. Call Bobbi with any questions, 732-819-7842

BIKUR CHOLIM

Just ONE HOUR a month for Bikur Cholim of Raritan Valley! Bikur Cholim needs more volunteers for its hospital visitation program. Please volunteer for just one hour a month and make a difference! For more information, please contact Bikur Cholim: hotline 732-572-7181, email volunteers@bikurcholimrv.org, web site www.bikurcholimrv.org – the volunteer form can be filled out on-line. Thank you!
- Save the date! Bikur Cholim of Raritan Valley Annual Event will take place on Sunday, February 12, 2012. More details to follow.

JCC EVENT

All "Baby Boomers...and Beyond" are invited on a special trip into NYC on Sunday, December 18th to see the highly acclaimed National Yiddish Theatre

YA'AD

-Junior drop-in homework club mentored by community teens 6:45-8:15 p.m.
Every Tuesday; pizza \$1.75; snacks and drinks free. For mentoring opportunities please contact rabbi becker at rabbidbecker@yahoo.com or josh ross at heroes6359@aol.com. For more Information call 310-625-3481.
-Parsha shiur for teens (boys) every Thursday evening from 8:00-8:30 pm;
Cholent made by R. Becker; this week at Ohr Torah; special speaker rabbi Josh Ross

KEREN KOL KALLAH

Keren Kol Kallah is in desperate need of more sheitels for their annual sheitel sale. All the wigs donated are sold at discounted prices to women who could not usually afford to buy a good quality wig, and all the money goes to help poor kallahs. They currently have a mere 20% of the number of sheitels they usually have by this time of year!!
With many kallahs counting on the proceeds from this sale, they are desperate for more so they can run the sale in time. Do you have a wig you are no longer wearing? One that never really worked for you or just went out of style? There are women in Israel who would be happy to purchase these pieces and the money goes straight to our needy brides. Please join us in this wonderful mitzvah and help make this year's sheitel sale a success! Please contact Aviva at siegelmom@optonline.net

ACTT

The ACTT (Achieving Change through Torah) organization helps individuals succeed in making meaningful and lasting changes in their lives. The ACTT web-site, www.actt613.org, contains the audio of the shiurim from the ACTT program and the corresponding module packets. The current ACTT module is "Happiness". Source book: Rabbi Pliskin's Artscroll book, "Happiness - Formulas, stories, and insights". For more info, e-mail info@actt613.org or call Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762 or Aviva Siegel (732) 572-4408.

AHAVAS ACHIM

The entire community is invited to join our Mekor Chaim/Steinsaltz Ambassadors for a "Festive and Musical Chanukah Tefila". Sunday, Dec. 25th, 8-10 am, in the Beit Midrash at Ahavas Achim. 8-8:30 – Learning and Preparation for Tefila (with former Ambassador Shlomo Spivak); 8:30-9:30 – Tefila with Musical Hallel; 9:30 – Breakfast. RSVP, and any questions, Contact Avraham Braner – abraner@gmail.com, or 480-234-8489.

TIFERES

Tiferes, a Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation program for women, will be meeting Motzai Shabbos, January 7 at 8:00 PM, at the home of Aviva Siegel, 16 Edgemount Road, 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 information, please contact Aviva 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.

HAT SHOW

There will be a Chanukah hat party this Motzoei Shabbos at 22 Celler Road, Edison, from 7:30 - 9:30 PM. For more information call Orit at 732-619-7632.

FOR WOMEN

-Rebbitzen Eichenstein will not be having class on Sunday, December 18. Parsha class will be held on Monday, December 19 at 8:00 PM at Cong. Ohr Torah. Classes are for women only. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at siegelmom@optonline.net, Ricki Stern 732-828-6939 rickistern@yahoo.com.
-Mrs. Miri Cohen's ladies Parsha class will meet Wednesday morning, December 21 at 9:00 AM at the home of Rikki Samel, 427 Dennison Street, Highland Park. Please bring a Chumash Beraishis.
-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 zecheh of a refuah 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.

EMPLOYMENT NETWORK OF RARITAN VALLEY

Looking for work? We can help. Go to www.ENRV.org or contact Bob Lansey at 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 info to enrv@verizon.net.

PARK MIKVAH-NEW HOURS

The Edison/Highland Park Mikvah will be open from 8:30-10:30pm Saturday-Thursday. Friday nights are by APPOINTMENT ONLY. 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.

Parshas Miktetz	4:17 PM
Candlelighting	4:25PM
Mincha	4:25PM

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