



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Pesach - Shabbos Chol Hamoed

Nisan 19, 5773

March 30, 2013

Friday - Shabbos Chol Hamoed (March 29-30)

- Candlelighting - 7:01 PM
- Mincha - 7:10 PM
- Shacharis - 7:45 & 9:00 AM
- Rabbi Luban's Sotah Shiur - 6:05 PM
- Mincha - 1:45 & 6:55 PM
- Maariv - 8:05 PM

Sunday March 31: 4th day Chol Hamoed

- Shacharis - 7:00, 8:00 and 9:00 AM
- Candlelighting - 7:03 PM
- Mincha - 7:10 PM

Monday April 1: 7th Day Pesach

- Shacharis - 7:45 & 9:00 AM
- Mincha - 7:10 PM
- *Candlelighting not before 8:13 PM*

Tuesday April 2 8th Day Pesach

- Shacharis - 7:45 & 9:00 AM
- Yizkor not before 9:00, 10:30 AM
- Mincha - 7:10 PM
- Maariv - 8:10 PM

Do not use chometz that you sold before 10:00 PM

Weekday Shacharis:

Wed., Fri. 6:30, 7:10, 8 AM

Thurs. 6:20, 7:05, 8 AM

Weekday Mincha/ Maariv: 7:10 PM

Weekday Maariv 10:10 PM

Daf Yomi Times

Friday – after Maariv

Shabbos – 1 hour before mincha

Sunday – after 8am Shacharis

Mon 7th day Pesach- one hour before mincha

Tues. 8th day Pesach - TBD

Wednesday-Thursday – After Maariv

KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP

Kiddush sponsorship is available for April 13th & 20th and May 4th, 11th & 18th. 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 8848 (cell), reenagreenspan@yahoo.com or Gene Wasserman 732-397-0130 or genew@compugene.com or 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 contact Barry Siegel siegeldad@optonline.net.

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.

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

PEACE OF MIND

In cooperation with the IDF, Peace of Mind is a program that brings Reserve Israeli Soldiers who have served in Elite units to Jewish communities around the world for group therapy and sightseeing. For those who remember, Cong Ohr Torah was privileged to have six soldiers from a unit daven with us one Shabbat morning in November. At this time, there are 18 units designated by the IDF and the Israel Center for the Treatment of Psychotrauma waiting for communities to go to. Arnie and Rosanne Koenigson are spearheading an effort to raise money to bring a unit to the Edison/Highland Park community. There will be a parlor meeting at their home on Sunday, April 14th at 7:30 pm, to explain the program, along with a video presentation and information about Peace of Mind. Please show your support and Hakarat Hatov to these soldiers who have risked their lives for our friends and families living in Israel and the greater world Jewish community. RSVP to Rosanne Koenigson at [732-572-9518](tel:732-572-9518)

OHR TORAH YOUTH PROGRAM

The schedule for the Ohr Torah Youth Program is as follows:
Pesach Day Seven April 1: 10:00 AM start
Pesach Day Eight April 2: 10:00 AM start
As a reminder the youth program concludes at the end of davening in the Main Minyan. The Ohr Torah Youth Program would like to wish everyone a Chag Kasher V'Sameach.

LEIL IYUN

Motzei Shabbos Chol HaMoed, starting at 9:00 PM, we will have a Leil Iyun dedicated to deepening our appreciation of the Mitzvos Hamoed. Rabbi Ash will be giving a shiur titled as follows: 'Chayav Adam L'taher Es Atzmo B'regel: The Purity Associated with the Yamim Tovim.' The Lail Iyun is generously sponsored by Mina and Larry Tiefenbrunn, in memory of the yahrzeit of Mina's father, Mordechai Simcha ben Ephraim Fishel A"H. We hope to see you all there!"

URGENT – KIDNEY TRANSPLANT NEEDED

Harvey Paretzky, a dear friend and member of our community, is suffering from kidney failure and desperately needs a kidney transplant as soon as possible. He cannot survive long-term without a transplant. Saving a person's life is a great mitzvah. By donating a kidney, you can literally save Harvey's life.

Harvey is working with *Renewal*, a Jewish non-profit organization, which facilitates and supports all aspects of the kidney transplants process. If you have type O blood, and meet certain other specific criteria, you will be a potential donor.

For additional information, contact Renewal at: R612@renewal.org (718) 431-9831, ext. 311 (patient reference #R612)

MISHNAYOT

As a z'chut for a refuah shleima for Rafael Yisrael Chaim ben Shifra Chana, we are organizing learning of Mishnayot. Below is a link to a Google doc which can be used to sign up for learning. We would like the learning to be completed by April 20.

RS Harvey Paretzky - https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/ccc?key=0AvJhuAWLZLAtDJoV0g1b2VZZU93MUhk_eTBGSFFLbHc&usp=sharing
If you do not have internet, you can sign up by calling (732) 819-7036

RETIREE LUNCH AND LEARN

Ruth Gruber is an American journalist, photographer, writer, humanitarian and a former general in the US army. Born in Brooklyn in 1911, Ruth Gruber became the youngest Ph.D. in the world before going on to become an international foreign correspondent and photojournalist at age 24. She emerged as the eyes and conscience of the world. With her love of adventure, fearlessness and powerful intellect, Ruth defied tradition in an extraordinary career that spanned more than seven decades. She is also the author of more than 20 books. The documentary video, "Ahead of Time" explores her life. Come learn about her and times and be inspired! Ruth Gruber at 101 years old How did Ruth Gruber achieve so much? What is the process? We will be joined by Barbara Kessel, author of Suddenly Jewish, who will share her thoughts on creative expression. Is it inspiration or environment or some measure of each that allows one to be successful?

Date: Tues, April 16th Time: 12:00 noon

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

Location: Cong. Ohr Torah, 48 Edgemount Rd, Edison, NJ

The program will include a light lunch followed by the video and Barbara's discussion. It is open to all retirees in the community and will be a wonderful opportunity to socialize with each other in a meaningful way. Please tell your friends and plan to attend. There will be a charge of \$10 per person to help defray the cost of the meal.

RSVP to Bella blerner18@optonline.net 732 317-1786, Mildred 732 572-1712, or Marcia ppheffer@verizon.net 732 572-5998

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

TASTE OF RPRY

"Taste of RPRY" Spring Special RPRY is offering a post-Pesach Early Childhood enrollment special. Register your child for the 10+ weeks following Pesach, starting 4/8, at REDUCED RATES. Don't Miss This Great Opportunity!! For more info, please contact Helene Lockspeiser, Dir of Early Childhood and Admissions, at 572-5052 x215, or email hlockspeiser@rpry.org.

NORPAC 2013

Join us on our annual Mission to Washington event to support the U.S.-Israel relationship on Wednesday, May 8th, 2013. On a single-day trip you will meet with Members of Congress and their staff, and share your concerns with them about foreign aid to Israel, Iran sanctions, security cooperation, Iron Dome and more. Help us make a difference once again! Buses leave for Washington from our area at 6:30 AM and return between 9-10 PM. There will be briefings on the bus. Glatt Kosher breakfast, lunch and dinner will be provided. Register now for the early bird discount (ending mid March): www.norpac.net or call (201) 788-5133 Adults - \$125 Students - \$75 (must be over 12. Those under 18 must be accompanied by Parent or legal guardian). Contact Marc Hanfling docdad@aol.com, Yosef Schreiber or Barry Wolf for more info.

RPRY EEMA AND ME PROGRAM

Due to its overwhelming success, the RPRY EEMA and ME Program will begin a new session on Tuesday mornings from 9 - 10 am, beginning on April 9th, through Tuesday June 4th, 2013. We

are also pleased to announce that we are expanding our EEMA and ME Program to include a new Friday morning *Erev Shabbat at RPRY*, beginning on Friday, April 5th, 2013 from 9 - 10 am. These programs are free of charge; all that is required is a \$10 registration fee for the semester.

We look forward to playing, learning, and celebrating shabbat with you and your child! For more info, please contact Helene Lockspeiser at hlockspeiser@rpry or [732\) 572-5052 ext. 215](tel:7325725052)

A FESTIVE AND MUSICAL

CHOL HAMOED PESACH TEFILAH

Mekor Steinsaltz Ambassadors presents A Festive and Musical Chol Hamoed Pesach Tefilah Sunday, March 31, 8:15AM Tefila with Musical Hallel. Bring your own musical instruments! Beit Midrash of Ahavat Achim Congregation

BIKUR CHOLIM

If you're interested in visiting people in their homes, or in Nursing Homes, please contact Leslie Ostrin, Homebound Visitation Coordinator for Bikur Cholim of Raritan Valley: leslie.ostrin@gmail.com.

FOR WOMEN

-Rebbitzen Eichenstein's, Mrs. Leah Drillman's and Mrs. Miri Cohen's ladies class will resume after Pesach

-Collecting Sheitels: Keren Kol Kallah - established to provide orphan and destitute kallahs in Israel with essential needs. 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. All the money raised at the sale goes towards a hachnasas kallah fund which helps needy brides in Eretz Yisrael. Sheitels can be dropped off by Aviva, 16 Edgemount Road, Edison. For more info, please see contact Aviva Siegel (732) 572-4408 siegelmom@optonline.net

-The ACTT (Achieving Change through Torah) organization helps individuals succeed in making meaningful and lasting changes in their lives. The current ACTT module is "Bitachon - Trust in Hashem". Source book: Rabbi Eliezer Parkoff's "Chizuk - A Primer on Bitachon, Coping, and Hope". The ACTT web-site, www.actt613.org, 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.

WOMEN'S YOM IYUN

Congregation Ahavas Achim is sponsoring a Women's Yom Iyun on April 7th. Nechama Price of Stern College will give two shiurim: 9:00 - 10:00 Description: The Rules of Staining for all Stages of Life 10:00 - 11:00 Brunch 11:00 - 12:00 Behind Closed Doors--Sexuality: A Torah Perspective.

Advance reservations are requested; free babysitting will be provided. Please RSVP to womensyomiyun@gmail.com by March 15th. If bringing children, let us know the number of children and their ages. Please mail your \$10 covert to: Congregation Ahavas Achim 216 South First Avenue, Highland Park, NJ 08904

PARK MIKVAH HOURS

PARK MIKVAH - The Edison / Highland Park Mikvah will be open Sunday - Thursday from 9-11pm. Friday nights are by APPOINTMENT ONLY. Motzai Shabbos: Pesach Yom Tov hours are by appointment only. Saturday night, March 30th, hours are 9:15-11pm. You must arrive and leave during regular Mikvah hours. Fee is \$20. OUT OF HOURS: additional \$20. For additional information or to schedule an appointment, please call 732-249-2411.

KEYLIM MIKVAH HOURS OF OPERATION

Ohr Torah Keylim Mikvah hours are, officially, 7:15 - 9:45 AM on Sunday mornings. Additionally, the Keylim Mikvah can be used when the Shul is open during Minyan hours. The Shul is locked (for security purposes) during non-Minyan hours. If you need special access, please speak to a Shul Gabbai. Please leave the area clean and neat.

LOCAL ERUV

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

Shabbos Shemini

Candlelighting	7:08 PM
Mincha	7:15 PM

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