



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parsha Tazria-Metzora

3 Iyar 5773

April 13, 2013

Candlelighting: 7:15PM
Mincha: 7:25PM
Note start of early 6:00 PM plag Mincha and 6:45 Mincha/Kabolas Shabbos next week
Shacharis: 7:45, 9:00 & 9:15 AM
Rabbi Hoffman's Shiur –after Hashkama
Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA): 9:40 AM
Kollel Learning Seder: 4-6 PM
Kollel Mincha: 6:00PM
Rabbi Luban's Gemara Sotah Shiur:
CANCELLED THIS WEEK
Mincha: 1:45, & 7:10 PM
Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Ira Krumholtz
Maariv: 8:20PM
Weekday Shacharis:
Sunday: 7:15, 8 & 9 AM
Mon., Thu. 6:20, 7:05, 8AM
Tues. Wed., Fri. 6:30, 7:10, 8 AM
Weekday Mincha/ Maariv: 7:25 PM
Weekday Maariv 10:10 PM
Rabbi Luban's Sheilos U'teshuvos Shiur:
Monday- 9:10-10:10
Tuesday Tehillim: 9:50 PM
Wednesday Night Learning Seder: 8-10:10 PM
Daf Yomi Times
 Monday-Thursday-after Maariv
 Friday -after Kabolas Shabbos
 Shabbos-1 hour before Mincha
 Sunday -after 8am Shacharis

MAZEL TOV
 ...to the Gerszbergs on Ami's Bar Mitzvah...
 ...to Esther and Yechiel Posen on the engagement of their son Eli to Mindee Drillman of Monsey. *The vort will be IY'H Sunday evening April 14 from 7-11 pm at 18 Jon Leif Lane Chestnut Ridge New York (Monsey). All are invited.*
 ...to Janice and Arnie Lustiger on the birth of a daughter, Ahuva, to their children Shevi and Noam Lustiger.

KIDDUSH
 Kiddush this week is sponsored by the Gerszberg family in honor of Ami's Bar Mitzvah.

SHALOSH SEUDOS
 Shalosh Seudos this week is sponsored by Audrey and Danny Mondrow in memory of the yahrtzeit of Danny's mother Sima Yenta bas Avrohom Shmuel Halevi A"H.

SHABBOS KOLLEL LEARNING SEDER STARTS THIS WEEK
 Join the Highland Park community Kollel as they resume the spring-summer learning seder in the Beis Medrash from 4-6 PM, followed by Mincha at 6PM.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SEDER
 Wednesday night Seder has resumed with two members of the Highland Park community Kollel from 8 - 10:10 PM

YOMIM NORAIM BAAL TEFILAH
 This Shabbos we will be joined by a guest Chazzan, Dovid Stein. Dovid has been a Chazzan since his teenage years and has lead the Davening for the Yomim Noraim in various congregations. He has trained under a number of distinguished Chazzanim including Cantor David Gildar. Dovid works as a hospice chaplain in Fairfield County, CT. He resides in Waterbury, CT with his wife and 3 children.

Chazzan Stein will be leading Kabbolas Shabbos and Maariv Friday night and Mussaf Shabbos morning in the main shul. For those wanting an early taste of Rosh HaShanah, immediately following Davening in the main shul Shabbos morning, Chazzan Stein will perform parts of Hinneni, U'nesaneh Tokef, B'rosh Hashanah, and V'khol Maaminim.

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.
 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)

RJJ
 RJJ Yeshiva Annual Dinner. Paying tribute to Rabbi and Mrs Dovid Kamin. will take place May 5th at the Renaissance Woodbridge Hotel. For info or to place an ad or call office at 732-985-6533.

EDISON BOARD OF EDUCATION BOND REFERENDUM AND ELECTION
 Polls will be open next Tuesday April 16th from noon to 9PM. The results of the bond referendum have significant property tax implications, and your vote can make a huge difference. In the last bond referendum a school budget increase was approved by a plurality of only sixty votes.
 For more information on the election, please see Dr. Israel Rivkin

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. 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
 Location: Cong. Ohr Torah. 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.

SEFORIM DONATIONS

KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP
 Kiddush sponsorship is available for April 27th and May 11th & 18th and June 1st. 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.

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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 Zichus 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

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

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

-Brian and Lillian Katz in memory of Lillian's grandparents Rochel Bat Chaim & Menach Zev Ben Yosef Zvi HaCohen Z"L
-Bruce & Lilly Jacobi in memory of Zippy Rapps father Rabbi Chaim Zev Bomzer Z"L

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

PEACE OF MIND PROGRAM

Peace of Mind is a program that brings discharged Israeli Soldiers who have served in Elite units to Jewish communities around the world for group therapy and sightseeing. 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)

Checks should be made payable to American Friends of Herzog Hospital/POM and mailed c/o Koenigson 221 Washington Ave Edison, NJ 08817

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 at 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

LAG BAOMER EVENT

Celebrate Lag Ba'Omer at the community wide happening, coordinated by the Mekor Chaim/Steinsaltz Ambassadors program, on Sunday, April 28, 2:00-5:00PM at Donaldson Park. Free admission! Activities for kids, learning sessions for adults and food and drinks for sale! Contact Rabbi Shmulie Greene for more info and sponsorship opportunities at rabbishmulie@steinsaltz.org or [973-214-8577](tel:973-214-8577)

CONGREGATION ETZ AHAIM

On Sunday evening April 21 at 8:00 pm "Parenting and Confronting the Internet Generation" with Rabbi Shalom Hammer. Rabbi Shalom Hammer served under the Rabbinate Division of the Israeli Defense Forces and currently teaches in the Yeshiva Hesder Kiryat Gat/Sderot which combines study with service in the elite combat forces of the Israeli army. Rabbi Hammer was officially received as a lecturer for the IDF to help motivate troops in

all divisions and he also lectures for the Menachem Begin Israel Government Fellows in Jerusalem. He has authored three books, is a contributing writer for the Jerusalem Post and is a renowned guest lecturer for communities throughout the Diaspora including the United States, United Kingdom, South Africa and Australia.

ACTT

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. The ACTT (Achieving Change through Torah)

OE SHIUR

We invite the community to join us for a shiur at OE in honor of Yom Ha'atzmaut featuring Rabbi Menachem Leibtag on Sunday, April 14th. The title of the shiur is "What is the best Hallel for Yom Ha'atzmaut? The Difficult Choice between Tehillim 105,106 and 107." Rabbi Leibtag is the founder of the Tanach Study Center, Publishes weekly Parashat Hashavua shiurim studied by thousands around the globe, and World renowned teacher and lecturer. There will be at Early Mincha for those attending the shiur at 7pm and Rabbi Leibtag will begin speaking at 7:15PM. Ma'ariv will follow the shiur. Suggested donation is \$10 per person. Contact Steve Deutsch at forsang@juno.com if you are interested in sponsor the shiur.

NCSY NEWS

Welcome back from your Pesach adventures, NCSY is kicking back into gear. This Friday night we will have an Oneg at 401 Montgomery St. from 9:30 PM - 11:15 PM, come enjoy friends, Foosball, food, Ping Pong, and some torah. BBQ and Bible is back in full swing, Wednesday nights at Park Place 7:30 PM - 9 PM.

COMMUNITY LECTURE FOR WOMEN

Mrs. Atara Eis, *Yoetzet Halacha will speak on: "From Generation to Generation: Talking to our Daughters about Jewish Family Life"* Saturday, April 20, 2013 at 9:15pm at the home of Estelle and Scott Siegel 18 Melanie Manor East Brunswick, NJ

Mrs. Atara Eis holds a B.A. from Yeshiva University's Stern College in Judaic Studies. She earned her M.S. Degree from YU's Azrieli Graduate School for Jewish Education and completed its Graduate Program in Advanced Talmudic Studies for Women. While living in Jerusalem and learning at Nishmat's Keren Ariel Halachic Institute to become a Yoetzet Halacha, Mrs. Eis also served on the Midreshet Lindenbaum faculty. Mrs. Eis works as a Yoetzet Halacha at many synagogues in Manhattan and teaches Judaic Studies at Kohelet Yeshiva High School in Lower Merion, PA,

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

-Mrs. Leah Drillman's Shimiras Haloshon class for women will be on Monday evening, April 15 at 7:30 PM at the home of Ellen Smith, 407 North 8th Ave., Edison. For more information, please call Ellen at [201-410-1893](tel:201-410-1893) or [732-777-6787](tel:732-777-6787).

-Mrs. Miri Cohen's ladies Parsha class will meet Tuesday morning, April 16 at 9:00 AM at the home of Rikki Samel, 427 Dennison Street, Highland Park. The shiur gives an overview of the Parsha, as well as an in depth discussion on relevant topics.

-Rebbitzin Eichenstein's classes for women only: Tefillah class on Sunday, April 14 at 10:00 AM at Agudah Shul; Parsha class on Monday, April 15 at 8:00 PM at Congregation Ohr Torah. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at [732-572-4408](tel:732-572-4408) siegelmom@optonline.net, Ricki Stern [732-828-6939](tel:732-828-6939) rickistern@yahoo.com.

-Tiferes, a Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation program for women, will meet Motzai Shabbos, April 20 at 9:45 PM at the home of Aviva Siegel, 16 Edgemount Road, Edison, NJ. An inspirational DVD will be shown. Title: In Search of Sinai: In Search of Self. Speakers: Rabbi Zecharia Greenwald and Mrs. Chani Juravel. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are also available to Tiferes members. For more information or to become a member, please contact Aviva siegelmom@optonline.net or Debbie Schneider [732-572-4713](tel:732-572-4713). The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom, Malky Herzig.

PARK MIKVAH HOURS

PARK MIKVAH – The Edison / Highland Park Mikvah will be open Sunday – Thursday from 9-11pm. Friday nights are by APPOINTMENT ONLY. Motzei Shabbos for the remainder of April, the hours are 9:30-11:00pm. 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](tel: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 Acharei-Mot Kedoshim

Candlelighting	7:23 PM
Mincha	6:45 & 7:30 PM

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