



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parshas Va'era

26 Tevet 5775

January 17, 2015

Candlelighting:	4:38 PM
Mincha:	4:45 PM
Shacharis:	7:45, 9:00 & 9:15 AM
<i>Rabbi Hoffman's Shiur after Hashkama</i>	
Sof Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA):	9:43AM
<i>Rabbi Luban's Sotah Shiur – 3:45 PM</i>	
Mincha:	1:45 & 4:35 PM
<i>Shalosh Seudos Speaker: R. Chaim Lobel</i>	
Maariv:	5:45 PM
<u>Weekday Shacharis:</u>	
Sun.	7:15, 8 & 9 AM
Mon. & Thur	6:17, 7:05, 8 & 9 AM
Wed (Rosh Chodesh)	6:12, 7:05, 8 & 9 AM
<i>Earliest Talis and Tefillin: Mon., 6:20, Wed. & Thur. 6:19</i>	
Tue & Fri.	6:30, 7:10, 8 & 9 AM
<u>Weekday Mincha/ Maariv:</u> 4:45 PM	
<i>R. Luban's Sheilos Uteshuvos Shiur Mon.: 9:10 pm</i>	
<i>Rabbi Sauer's Daf Yomi Iyuan Shiur – Sunday after 7:15 Shacharis</i>	
<i>Rabbi Billowitz' Halacha Shiur – Sunday after 8 AM Shacharis</i>	
<i>Kollel Learning: Weds. 8-10:10 PM</i>	
<u>Weekday Maariv</u> 7:30 & 10:10 PM	
<i>The 10:10 Minyan this Sunday night - 1/18 - is Cancelled (The Kollel has a late Minyan at OE at 9:45PM)</i>	
<u>Daf Yomi Schedule:</u>	
Monday-Thursday - after 7:30 Maariv	
Friday-after Kabbolas Shabbos & Maariv	
Shabbos -8:15 AM & after Hashkama	
Sunday-after 8AM Shacharis	

KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week is being sponsored by Riki & Robert Kreitman in celebration of their son Benjy's Aufruf.

Kiddush sponsorship is available for Jan 24th & 31st. Feb 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th. To sponsor a Kiddush or reserve the Kiddush room, please contact Mel Barenholtz by email: mbarenh@yahoo.com

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Michael and Penny Kaplan in memory of the Yahrzeit of Penny's father Yoel ben Yisroel A"H.

OHR TORAH ANNUAL 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 March 8th.

Please contact Barry Siegel, Josh Caplan, Charlie Gershbaum, Jason Jurkevich or Mayer Berg to purchase tickets. All proceeds support the OT Youth programs. Thank you.

ANNUAL DINNER/

JOEL ADLER TRIBUTE

We are thrilled to announce that this year's dinner will honor two beloved and well-deserving couples, Honey and Max Wisotsky and Rena and Jeff Klein. Please reserve the

evening of March 8, 2015 to pay tribute to these special honorees who have done so much for our Shul and community. For further info, please contact dinner chairpersons, Gila and Efraim Gerzberg and Riki and Robert Kreitman.

At this year's dinner we will also be making a special tribute to our dear friend and Gabbai, Joel Adler A"H. To honor Joel and be included as a sponsor for this tribute kindly send your \$36 donation payable to Ohr Torah to Robert Kreitman by February 28th. Thanks.

MAZEL TOV

... to Riki & Robert Kreitman and Dr. Howard and Paula Friedman on the upcoming marriage of their children Benjamin and Aliza. Mazel Tov to Benjy's grandparents Henry & Sheila Schanzer, Morris & Claire Glicklich, Manfred & Barbara Joseph and Mr. Maurice Friedman and to all of Benjy and Aliza's siblings, aunts, uncles, cousins and the entire Kreitman, Schanzer, Dennis, Toll, Friedman and Joseph families.

... to Shosh and Ted Diskind on the birth of a son, Shraga Feivish, to their children Mordechai and Shoshana Chava, in Montreal. Mazel Tov to the entire Diskind and Rubin families.

UPDATES NEEDED

The Gabbaim are in the process of updating the members' Aliya cards. As this task has not been done in quite some time, we ask that the entire membership complete the membership form as completely as possible and return it by no later than February 1. You can return the forms by either handing them directly to Michie Klerer, emailing them to him at michael.klerer@gmail.com, or dropping them in the Shul's mailbox. On behalf of all the Gabbaim, thank you very much for assisting us in this process."

2015 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

The 2015 Membership Directory is in the process of being prepared. All current directory info, including children's names and email addresses, will be brought forward to the new directory. Please submit all changes and/or additions to names, titles, address, phone, children's names (including sons/daughters-in-law), and email addresses to memberdirectory@ohrtorah.net.

For members who have joined in the past year, please email the above address with your preferred titles (Mr., Mrs., Dr., Rabbi, Hon., etc.) as this information was not necessarily collected on the membership

form. NOTE: Children's names and up to two email addresses not currently listed will be included only if an emailed request is received at the address above. The phone tree email list will not be used for this publication

RETIREE'S LUNCH AND LEARN PROGRAM

On Tuesday, January 27, 2015 at 12:00 noon the shul will show "The Ritchie Boys" - Run out of Germany by the Nazis, a small contingent of German Jewish intellectuals return to Europe as U.S. soldiers to defeat the enemy. The Ritchie Boys is the never before told tale of a handful of German nationals who used their language and cultural knowledge to wage psychological warfare against the Nazis and to liberate Europe.

Dr. William Gewirtz will deliver a D'var Torah, and Dr. Max Wisotsky will give a short introduction to the film. The program will include a light lunch followed by the video and 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. OT will subsidize the additional expenses.

Can't wait to hear from you This will be the last lunch and learn until after Pesach.

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

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS **COMMUNITY KOLLEL BREAKFAST**

Dr. Moshe Schneider, Chairman of the 7th Annual Highland Park Community Kollel Breakfast, is pleased to announce that the Guests of Honor for this year's Breakfast will be Mr. and Mrs. Chaim & Raizy Krauss. The breakfast will iyH take place at Congregation Ohr Torah on Sunday Morning, Feb 1st 2015 at 9:30am. The Guest Speaker will be HaRav Yaakov Busel *Shlit"a*, Rosh HaYeshiva of Rabbi Jacob Joseph School (RJJ), Edison, NJ. We look forward to greeting you there.

AN EVENING OF UNITY, INSPIRATION AND RENEWAL

On Saturday night, Jan 31st at 8 PM at Cong Ohr Torah, the Edison/Highland Park community will hold an inaugural event in support of Renewal. Renewal is an organization dedicated to assisting people suffering from chronic kidney disease, and has facilitated more than 250 life-saving kidney transplants since 2006. In 2014, Renewal was responsible for more than 23% of all altruistic kidney donations (donation to a total stranger) in the United States. Members of our community will

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share how Renewal has transformed their lives, and a donor from one of our local families will meet the recipient of his kidney for the very first time. A dairy buffet will be served. For further information, please contact Rifky and Jack Atkin, Leah and Harvey Paretzky, or Pearl and David Dolinger.

BLOOD DONATIONS NEEDED

Bikur Cholim is seeking A+ or O+ donors for a local boy who is undergoing surgery mid-January at RWJ University Hospital. If you are in good health, at least 16 years old and weigh at least 110 lbs. and interested in donating blood, please contact Cyrel Brudny at CBrudny@gmail.com or leave a message at [732-819-7935](tel:732-819-7935).

SOFER AVAILABILITY

This is a good time to have your Megillot checked. A Sofer will be available to check your Megillot (as well as Mezzuzot/Ttefilin on *Sunday, Jan 18, 2015* at Judaica Gallery, 300 Raritan Ave, HP. The Sofer will arrive at *10am*. Although walk-ins are welcome, it is helpful if you call [732-828-7722](tel:732-828-7722) and let us know you will be coming.

NETIVOT MONTESSORI SCHOOL

Netivot Montessori is hosting a three part speaker series at Netivot in East Brunswick.
Sun, Feb. 1 @ 7:30PM - Rabbi Jonathan Rietti.
Sun, Feb. 22 @ 7:30PM Rabbi David Fohrman.
Sun, Mar. 15 @ 7:30PM - Rabbi Eli Mansour.
Go to www.mynetivot.com for more info. Netivot school tour for prospective families Tues, Feb 10 @ 9:15AM. Please call [732-985-4626](tel:732-985-4626) or mynetivot.com to reserve a space.

RABBI AHARON KAHN AT OE

-SAVE THE DATE: RABBI AHARON KAHN AT OE Please join us on President's Day, Monday Feb 16th, following 8AM Shacharit, for a special program featuring Rabbi Aharon Kahn, Rosh Yeshiva of RIETS at Yeshiva University and lecturer for Center for Return. He will be speaking on the topic of *Kings and Presidents—The Makings of a Melech b'Yisroel*. Rabbi Kahn holds multiple degrees including M. A.'s from the School of International Affairs at Columbia University and in Middle Eastern Languages. He studied with the late Rabbi Joseph Soloveitchik for 20 years. His lectures for Center for Return have inspired audiences of diverse backgrounds to grow closer to Judaism. There is no charge for this event and breakfast is included. Kindly RSVP to office@ohavemeth.org

VOTE TORAH CAMPAIGN

The VOTE TORAH campaign for the World Zionist Congress is planning a Voting Event followed by a FREE screening of the new film produced by Jerusalem University, *BENEATH THE HELMET: FROM HIGH SCHOOL TO THE HOME FRONT*.

This event will take place on Jan 24th at the Young Israel of East Brunswick and we would like to invite you to join us. When you seat delegates from the Religious Zionist Slate in the World Zionist Congress you will help strengthen Israel's "Jewish soul" and ensure the future of religious Zionist ideals. Hillel Goldstein, LSW NJ Regional Coordinator ([913-940-4255](tel:913-940-4255)) www.votetorah.org

COORDINATORS AND DRIVERS NEEDED FOR BIKUR CHOLIM TRANSPORTATION

The Bikur Cholim Transportation Committee coordinates rides to and from medical appointments. The coordinator matches requesters with an available driver. Each coordinator serves for two weeks at a time. To

volunteer ,contact the Bikur Cholim hotline at [732-572-7181](tel:732-572-7181) or fill out the volunteer form on the website bikurcholimrv.org.

RABBI WEISS SHIUR FOR MEN & WOMEN

Rabbi Weiss will give a weekly Shiur for men and women on the Parsha with a focus on Emunah and Bitachon Wednesday nights at 9:15PM at the home of Marsha Eiserman 154 N. 10th Ave, HP.

FOR WOMEN

-Highland Park Mikvah and Irgun Shiurai Torah present a Two Part Shovavim Project Lecture Series for Women: Mrs. Devorah Kigel, noted kallah teacher and relationship coach, will speak on the topic of "Mikvah: Becoming a Source of Renewal" on Tuesday February 3, 2015 at Congregation Ahavas Achim at 8:30 pm. Mrs. Aviva Wasser, respected kallah teacher and Rebbetzin, will give a review of the halachos of Taharas Hamishpacha on Tuesday, February 17, 2015 at Congregation Ohr Torah at 8:30 pm. All married women are invited to attend.

For more information, please contact Lynn Hanfling at Docdad@aol.com , Adina Pruzansky at adinapruz@gmail.com , or Rachele Stern at rachele_stern@yahoo.com

-The Women's AMEN Group meets weekly on Sundays 9:30 AM in a downstairs classroom at Cong Ohr Torah. The group meets in the zechus of a refuah shelaimah for Menachem Mordechai ben Ophira and other Cholim in the community. -Rabbi Bassous: women's class Sunday morning, Jan 18 is cancelled. Class will resume on Jan 25. -Tiferes, a Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation program for women, will meet Motzai Shabbos, Feb 7 at 8:30 PM at the home of Aviva Siegel, 16 Edgemount Rd, Edison. An inspirational DVD will be shown. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are also available to Tiferes members. Current series: Speaker is Rebbetzin Chanie Juravel. For more info or to become a member, please contact Aviva siegelmom@optonline.net. The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.

-Rebbitzin Eichenstein's classes for women: Tefillah class on Sunday, Jan 18 at 10AM at Aguda shule; Parsha class on Monday, Jan 19 at 8PM at Cong Ohr Torah. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at [732-572-4408](tel:732-572-4408) siegelmom@optonline.net.

-Women's Learning Initiative: Mrs. Leah Drillman's Shimiras Haloshon class resumes in Feb. For info, please call Ellen [201-410-1893](tel:201-410-1893) or [732-777-6787](tel:732-777-6787).

-SemPlus shiur for post seminary girls: For more info on Wed night class, please call [732-841-1885](tel:732-841-1885).

-Mrs. Miri Cohen's Parsha class: No class on Wednesday, January 21.

EMPLOYMENT NETWORK OF RARITAN VALLEY

Looking for work? Go to www.ENRV.org or contact Bob Lansey at ENRVInfo@gmail.com. We post over 200 jobs each month, and help people with their resume and search strategies. If you know of any professional, part-time, or temporary job openings, please e-mail info to ENRVInfo@gmail.com.

PARK MIKVAH

The Highland Park Mikvah is extending its winter hours! For the months of Jan & Feb mikvah will open: Sun Thur evenings from 7PM – 10PM Friday nights by appointment only. Saturday nights in January 7:30 – 10PM. Saturday night hours for

the month of February to be announced. Please arrive with enough time to be out before closing time. For more info call [732-249-2411](tel:732-249-2411) or email hpmikvah@gmail.com.

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. However, the Mikvah will be closed immediately upon the end of the Minyan as the Shul needs to be closed. Please leave the area clean and neat.

OHR TORAH NEWSLETTER: To subscribe to these Announcements, please see the Ohr Torah website: www.ohrtorah.net

E-MAIL LIST: To get on the Ohr Torah e-mail list, please contact Gene Wasserman at genew@compugene.com .

BUILDING DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIES

Contact Moshe Schneider at 732-618-4702.

TREE OF LIFE / 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 RefuahShleimah 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

YAHRZEIT DATABASE: To register a family member in the Yahrzeit data base, please follow this link <http://www.tinyurl.com/ot613> or speak with Ralph Dessau or Gene Wasserman.

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

Parshas Bo

Candlelighting	4:46 PM
Mincha	4:55 PM

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