



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parshas Vayelech - Shabbos Shuva / Yom Kippur

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September 19, 2015

Shabbos Shuva (Friday-Shabbos, Sept. 18-19)

- Candlelighting: 6:43 PM
- Mincha: 6:50 PM
- Shacharis: 7:45, 9:00 and 9:15AM
- Mincha: 1:45 & 6:00 PM
- *Followed by Shabbos Shuva Drasha*
- Maariv: 7:45 PM
- Shabbos ends: 7:50 PM

Sunday September 20

- Slichos: 6:40 & 8:25 (Main shul)
7:25 Kiddush room
- Mincha-Maariv: 6:40

Monday September 21

- Slichos: 5:40, 6:25, 7:25 PM
- Mincha-Maariv: 6:40

Erev Yom Kippur (Tuesday September 22):

- Slichos: 6:15, 6:55, 7:45, 8:45 AM
- Mincha: 2:15, 4:00 PM
- Candlelighting: 6:37 PM
- Kol Nidrei: 6:45 PM

Yom Kippur (Wednesday September 23)

- Shacharis: 8:30 AM – both minyanim
Yizkor not before 11:30 AM
- Mincha: ~5:00 upstairs, 4:45 downstairs
- Neilah ~6:20 PM both minyanim
- Maariv: ~7:40
- Fast ends 7:44 PM

Thursday (September 24)

- Shacharis 6:20, 7:05 and 8:00 AM
- Mincha/Maariv 6:40PM

Friday (September 25)

- Shacharis 6:30, 7:10 and 8:00 AM

YOM KIPPUR CANDLE LIGHTING PROCEDURE

It is preferable for a woman to accept Shabbos or Yom Tov at the time that candles are lit. However, in special cases of necessity, a woman who needs to continue with weekday activity may do so by making the following statement before lighting candles: "I am not accepting Shabbos or Yom Tov when I light candles." Shabbos or Yom Tov will then begin at sunset.

As such, if a woman has difficulty walking to shul on Yom Kippur and prefers to go by car, she should recite the above formula.

In such instances, she should not recite "Shehechyanu" when lighting candles because once "Shehechyanu" is recited, one may not do "melacha". Instead, "Shehechyanu" should be recited with the congregation at the end of "Kol Nidrei".

Women who accept Yom Kippur with candle lighting, should recite "Shehechyanu" at that time, and not recite it again after Kol Nidrei with the congregation. Rabbi Yaakov Luban

KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week is sponsored by Bracha and Mayer Berg in honor of Yoni's Bar Mitzvah.

Kiddush sponsorship is available for the first day of Succos, Shabbos Chol Hamo'ed Succos, Shemini Atzeres and November 21st& 28th.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

There is no Shalosh Seudos in Shul this week.

MAZEL TOV

...to Mira and Mark Epstein on the engagement of their son Donny to Sigal Neustein of San Diego. Mazel Tov to Tali and Joe Smith, and Ariana Adi Gilad and Boaz Smith, Oren and Kara Epstein and Zoey, Max, Hank and Leo Epstein and to Sigal's parents Paul and Randi Neustein and their family.

...to Ruchi and Yossi Stern on the birth of a son to their children Goldie and Moshe Dov Stern of Flatbush. Mazel Tov to the aunts and uncles, Rachelle and Zev Stern, Miriam and Shmilu Weiss, and the great-grandmother, Mrs. Frida Weiss.

...to Bracha and Mayer Berg and grandparents Evelyn and Jeffrey Berg and Anna and Charles Plittman on the Bar Mitzvah this Shabbos of Yoni Berg. Mazel Tov to siblings Shani, Eli and Eytan and to the Berg, Plittman, Segal, Stein, Miller, and Kapenstein families.

ENHANCING OUR TEFILLA EXPERIENCE

Concentrate on saying "Amen"

ISRAEL BONDS

Congratulations are in order to Cong. Ohr Torah!!! 103 members (a record) of OT purchased \$513,000 (another record) worth of Israel Bonds over the last 12 months. We can all be rightly proud of this achievement. We are still looking for 100% membership participation and let's see if we can beat last year's total. This is a painless but very important way of showing our support for Israel. Shana Tova Lechol Yisrael and Beli Neder an Israel Bond Committee sponsored Kiddish is in order.

The Israel Bond Committee.

OHR TORAH YOUTH PROGRAM

Once again Ohr Torah is proud to offer babysitting on Yom Kippur. We are requesting a voluntary contribution of \$18 per family to help defray the cost of the babysitting. Please make checks out to Ohr Torah and indicate HH babysitting on your check. The times for our babysitting are as follows:

- 9/22 (YK) -- 6:45pm to 9:15pm
- 9/23 (YK) -- 10am-2:30 pm and 5pm-7 pm

This service is for all children ages 1-4. It is imperative that all children attending our babysitting are able to walk (and not need to be held) and that parents please ensure that our staff is aware of your seating location should we need to find you. We have a seating chart available. Also please provide our staff with any baby wipes/diapers as needed. We will be unable to accommodate children who have not reached their first birthday.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

There will be a meeting of the membership on Monday, September 21, 2015 at 8:30 pm. The agenda will be as follows:

1. President's Report
2. Financial Report
3. Capital Campaign Report
4. Assistant Rabbi Discussion and Vote
5. Enhancing Tefillah Initiative

ANNUAL TESHUVA LECTURE

The annual community-wide Yomim Noraim teshuva drasha in memory of I. David and Miriam Goldstein will be delivered this year on Sunday evening, Sept 20th at 7:30PM at Cong Ohr Torah. This year's lecture, entitled "Kol Nidrei: How the Rav's Novel Interpretation Will Transform Your Yom Kippur", will be delivered by Rabbi Yosef Adler, Rosh HaYeshiva of Torah Academy of Bergen County, and Rabbi of Cong Rinat Yisroel of Teaneck. Admission is free and light refreshments will be served. Tax deductible donations to Yad Eliezer would be greatly appreciated.

ENHANCING OUR TEFILLA EXPERIENCE

We hope you had a very inspiring and meaningful Rosh Hashanah! The goal of the "Enhancing Our Tefillah Experience" initiative in memory of Joel Adler, a"h, is to do just that – enhance each OT member's Tefillah Experience using a positive community approach where we help each other. We look forward to each and every member connecting more and more to Hashem through Tefillah.

Submitting the Bli Neder commitment, either through the OT website www.ohrtorah.net or the paper form, demonstrates your personal desire to enhance your Tefillah Experience. There are several important ways to enhance our davening, such as learning more about the davening, hearing inspirational divrei Torah, having the entire shul working together to focus on an aspect of davening such as concentrating on saying Amen with deeper understanding, etc. Not talking

REMINDER: The emergency Defibrillators are located on the wall in the upstairs hallway and on the wall in the downstairs entry hallway. CHEVRA HATZOLAH OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY 732-640-5545

during davening is another important way to enhance our Tefillah Experience.

The ACTT organization intentionally chose their next module to be Kavanah During Davening in order to support the OT Tefillah initiative. The just published source book that will be used is "Praying With Meaning" by Rabbi Heshy Kleinman. Rabbi Kleinman is scheduled to speak at the October 18, 2015 ACTT kickoff event.

Now is the time for us to stick together and help each other enhance our Tefillah. Please email your suggestions to

TefillahExperience@OhrTorah.net or talk with a committee member to share ideas of what will help you enhance your Tefillah. Gmar Chasima Tova!

SECURITY UPDATE

Effective Sept 4, the Shul will be locked at all times on weekdays and Sundays, including times of Davening. The front doors can be opened by a punch code. All members have received the code in a recent mailing. Any member who, for any reason does not have the code should contact the President or the members of the security committee. Except for emergencies all entry and exit from the Shul should be via the front door.

TORAH TAPE LIBRARY

Notice: The Torah Tape Library will be closed from Friday, September 11, 2015 thru Sun., October 11, 2015, for the Jewish Holidays.

LULAV & ESROG ORDERING

When ordering from below, please mention Ohr Torah and OT will receive a donation for each sale.

a.. Barry Siegel & Family
siegeldad@optonline.net, 732-572-4408

b.. Judaica Gallery,
judaicagallery@hotmail.com, 732-828-7722
Please see the flyers for additional info.

All checks for Lulavim and Esrogim must be made out to the appropriate vendor and NOT Congregation Ohr Torah. No check made out to COT will be cashed.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

RJJ MIKVAH:

The Mikveh will be open Erev Yom Kippur with the exceptions of the following times to allow cleaning: Erev Yom Kippur 1:00 to 2:00

ACTT

Next ACTT Event: Sunday, Oct 18th at 8PM, come hear Rabbi Heshy Kleinman. This is an ACTT sponsored community-wide event for the Kavanah during Davening module. The Artsroll source book, "Praying with Meaning – Connecting to Hashem through Tefillah by Rabbi Heshy Kleinman is available at a discount from the Judaica Gallery. Admission for all is free and donations are welcome. More details to follow. For more info, e-mail info@actt613.org, see www.actt613.org, or call Phil Rosen 732 572-8762.

RPRY RAFFLE FOR JEWISH EDUCATION

RPRY is holding its Annual Raffle to help support Jewish Education. Tickets are 1/\$36 or 3/\$100. The Grand Prize is 2 tickets to Israel; Second and Third prize is a \$500 and \$250 scholarship.

The drawing will be held on Sunday, Oct 11 at the RPRY Color Run in Memory of Morah Miri Gordon z'l. Please contact Alan Borck (aborck99@gmail.com), Leor Jerushalmy (leor99@yahoo.com), or Debbie Brown in the RPRY office (dbrown@rpry.org) to purchase tickets, or for more info. Thanks for your support of Jewish Education!

BIKUR CHOLIM

-VISITORS WANTED--Bikur Cholim is seeking volunteers to visit Ms. Mollie Reuben, Sara Genschik, and Ms. Esther Tucker at the Regency nursing home on DeMott Lane and Dr. Miriam Engelsohn at Care One, 599 Cranbury Rd, East Brunswick. If you are able to help out, please call Rahel Baruh at 732-672-4673 or email rbaruh@yahoo.com. Tizku l'mitzvot!

-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 to coordinate or drive, contact the Bikur Cholim hotline at (732) 572-7181 or fill out the volunteer form on the website bikurcholimrv.org

FOR WOMEN

-Tiferes for women: Current weekly teleconferences series: "Back to School" with Mrs. Debbi Selengut. For more info, please contact Aviva siegelmom@optonline.net. The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.

-Bikur Cholim OWLS (Overnight Women Labor Support): A complimentary service for maternity situations whereby volunteers will come to stay with your kids during the night. For more info on receiving this service or becoming a volunteer, please contact Rikki at 732-249-5116. Thank you.

- New Gown Gemach in Edison! Looking for donations! L'iluy Nishmas R' Yitzchok Ben Binyomin. For more information, please call Sara Scott at 516-526-0941

-HP/Edison Connects Women's Melave Malka - Motzai Shabbos, Sept, 19, 2015
Highland Park/Edison Connects invites you to a Women's Potluck Melave Malka on Motzai Shabbos, Sept 19th, at 8:30pm. Whether you have recently moved in and are looking to meet people, or whether you have been here a while and want to reconnect with old friends (and make new ones while welcoming everyone who has recently moved into our town!) we encourage you to come and bring a dish! This (school) year's kick-off Melave Malka will be taking place at the home of Penina and Asaf Shmuel at 17 Fairhill Rd, Edison, and we ask that you please R.S.V.P. at: highlandparkedisonconnects@yahoo.com so we know how many to set up for We look forward to seeing you there! Rikki Samel and Rachele Stern.

HIGHLAND PARK MIKVAH

The Highland Park Mikvah now has Tzedakah boxes! Please contact Aviva at siegelmom@optonline.net to obtain one. If you are purchasing from Amazon, please consider signing up with www.amazonsmiles.com – a donation will be made to Park Mikvah. The Highland Park Mikvah hours for daylight savings time: Sunday –Thursday evenings from 9:00 PM – 11:00 PM; Friday nights by appointment only. Sept 22: closed (Yom

Kippur); Sept 23: 9:00 – 11:00 (motzai Yom Kippur); Sept. 26: 9:00 – 11:00. Please arrive with enough time to be out before closing time. For more info, call 732-249-2411 or email hpmikvah@gmail.com.

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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.

KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP: To sponsor a Kiddush or reserve the Kiddush room, please contact Mel Barenholtz by email: mbarenh@yahoo.com.

SHALOSH SEUDOS SPONSORSHIP: To sponsor a Shalosh Seudos, please contact Moshe Wiesel.

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 732-572-3299.

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 go to ohrtorah.net and click "Register for OT Yahrzeit Notification" or speak with Ralph Dessau or Gene Wasserman.

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

Parshas Ha'azinu

Candlelighting:	6:32 PM
Mincha:	6:40 PM

Ohr Torah can be found on the internet at <http://www.ohrtorah.net>. You can join the email list for Weekly Announcements. Announcements should be sent to announcements@ohrtorah.net. Please submit all announcements by 7 PM Wednesday. PLEASE NOTE: Please make sure that you leave a contact/callback name and phone # in case there is a question regarding the item you wish to be printed, otherwise it may not be included.