

# Congregation Ohr Torah Weekly Announcements

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban - Rabbi

**Allen Kessel - President** 

Parshas Emor
Candlelighting:

Plag Mincha:

7:42PM 6:00 PM

Early Mincha: 7:00 PM Mincha: 7:50PM Shacharis: 7:45 and 9:00AM

> Rabbi Hoffman's Pesachim Shiur-After Hashkama

Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA): 9:20AM Early Mincha: 1:45 PM

Kollel Learning Seder 4-6 PM
Kollel Mincha 6:00 PM

Rabbi Luban's Shiur in Megillah 6:45 PM Mincha: 7:35 PM

**Shalosh Seudos speaker: Moshe Schneider Maariv:** 8:45 PM

Weekday Shacharis:

 Sun
 7:15, 8 & 9AM

 Mon & Thur
 6:20, 7:05, 8 AM

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

 Weekday Mincha/ Maariv:
 7:50 PM

 Weekday Maariv
 10:10 PM

Monday evening, 9:10 in Bais Medrash, Rabbi Luban's shiur in She'eilos Uteshuvos (responsa)

Tuesday Tehillim 9:50 PM

#### **DAF YOMI**

Monday -Thursday- 7:15PM and continues after maariv. Friday - after kabolos shabbos. If there are two minyanim,after the first minyan. Shabbos - one hour before mincha Sunday- after 8 am shacharis.

#### BARUCH HABAH

Ohr Torah would like to welcome newcomers, visitors and guests who are joining us. If our President, Allen Kessel or Rabbi Yaakov Luban does not get a chance to welcome you personally, please come up and introduce yourself.

KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP
Kiddush sponsorship is available for, May 23<sup>rd</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> day of Shavous. To sponsor a Kiddush or reserve the Kiddush room, please contact Mel Barenholtz in person, 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 <a href="mailto:info@ohrtorah.net">info@ohrtorah.net</a> 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 732-442-8022. For more info. Call Moish at 732-442-5751 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 <a href="mailto:siegeldad@optonline.net">siegeldad@optonline.net</a> or 732-572-4408.

#### **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.

# 15 Iyar 5769 MAZEL TOV

...to Sharon and Howard Hirt on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Alex. Mazel Tov to his brothers Elie and Moshe, to the grandparents, great-grandmothers and the entire family.

...to Barbara and Allen Kessel on the birth of a daughter to their children Aliza and Daniel Altmark in Israel. Mazel tov to greatgrandmothers Sima Kessel and Marion Baras, and the extended family.

# **KIDDUSH**

The Hirt family invites the entire congregation to Kiddush in honor of Alex's Bar Mitzvah.

# **SHALOSH SEUDOS**

Shalosh Seudos this week is being sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Moish Nat and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Nat in honor of the yahrzeit of their mother, Sarah Chana bat Shlomo, Z"L.

#### **KOLLEL LEARNING SEDER**

The shul once again welcomes the Highland Park Kollel to the shul Beis Medrash. The community is invited to study bechavrusah along with the Kollel between 4 and 6 PM, followed by Mincha at 6 PM.

# KADDISH AROUND BIMAH

If you are saying Kaddish, please do so around the Bimah to maintain synchronization.

#### **SEFORIM ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

-Marion & David Kornfeld in memory of Marion Kornfeld's mother Ethel Rosengarten 7"I

-Friends of the Kornfelds in memory of Marion Kornfeld's mother Ethel Rosengarten 7"I

# **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **EDISON PRIMARY ELECTION**

June 2<sup>nd</sup> is primary day in Edison. All eligible voters are urged to go to the polls. **The last day for voter registration is May 12.** For further information, see Israel Rivkin or Jonas Waizer.

#### **ACTT COMMUNITY WIDE EVENT**

Save the date! Sunday, May 24, 2009 - Community-wide event sponsored by the ACTT (Achieving Change Through Torah) organization - the first kickoff event of the 4<sup>th</sup> year of the ACTT program. Guest speaker, Rabbi BenTzion Shafier of The Shmuz, www.theshmuz.com will be discussing "Bitachon and Emunah - Understanding the Difference" at 8PM at Cong. Ahavas Achim. (Mincha at 7:45PM; Maariv following the program). Admission is free. Sponsors at \$36, \$50, and \$100 are needed. Please write your check to

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"Congregation Ohr Torah Rabbi's Discretionary Fund", earmarked "ACTT sponsor", and mail to ACTT; 48 Edgemount Road; Edison, NJ 08817. Thank you. For more info, call Jonathan Abrahams (732) 220-2946, Wendy Bar (732) 220-8765, Joe Friedman (732) 732-985-8014, Michael Lafond (732) 432-9860, Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762, or Aviva Siegel (732) 572-4408. Web-site: <a href="https://www.actt613.org">www.actt613.org</a>, e-mail: <a href="mailto:info@actt613.org">info@actt613.org</a>.

#### EMERGENCY PARNOSAH INITIATIVE -Employment Network of Raritan Valley

Free job networking session: Wednesday, May 13th at Cong. Ahavas Achim in Highland Park. It's an effective way to learn job search strategies, hear about job leads, and share ideas, resources and information. Be prepared to present a 20-30 second elevator pitch on your experience and bring about 20 copies of your resume. Informal networking begins at 7:30pm; the program begins at 8pm and ends at 10pm. Guest speaker: Kevin Shulman, a nationally known speaker on sales, negotiating, networking, prospecting, recruiting and management strategies, will provide tips for effective networking. For more info, go to www.ENRV.org, or contact Bob Lansey at ENRV@verizon.net. Please help. If you know of any job openings, please e-mail the info to enry@verizon.net. Jobs can be professional, parttime, or temporary.

#### RPRY's 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Chinese Auction Drawing MAY 17th

We're hoping for close to 100% participation from RPRY parents, grandparents and community members!! Don't miss this chance to, INEXPENSIVELY, win beautiful prizes: car lease, trips to Israel, California, Florida and beyond, sefarim, jewelry, computers, electronics, furniture sets, gift cards and LOTS more. AND, thanks to the generosity of private sponsors, 100% of proceeds will benefit RPRY's Scholarship Fund! Wishing everyone much Mazel in winning great prizes, and we thank you in advance for helping to make RPRY's Chinese Auction a resounding success! To view prizes and order tickets, go to www.chineseauctiononline.com, link from www.rpry.org, or order manually (see RPRY office or in shops around town for auction booklet). Questions? Please contact RPRY at 732-572-5052 or Leslie Ostrin at leslienbo@monmouth.com.

# RPRY 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL RAFFLE FOR JEWISH EDUCATION

RPRY announces its second annual raffle for Jewish Education. Grand prize are 2 tickets to Israel plus 2'nd & 3'rd place prizes. Drawing is scheduled for 6/22.

Tickets are \$36 apiece or 3 for \$100. Please see the flyer for more details. For tickets please see OT contacts Josh Caplan, Leor Jerushalmy, Russell Adler, Brian Dube or Barry Siegel.

#### **NORPAC**

NORPAC update #3

Local Orientation/training session--Sat. night May 16 at Cong. Ohr Torah 9:45-10:45 ( you do not have to go to Englewood) Washington mission May 20---One bus will leave from OT and the other from AA. Please watch your email in the

REMINDER: The emergency Defibrillator is in the Beis Medrash Chazzon's shulchan.
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days prior to the mission for which bus your group will leave from. Talking points will be emailed prior to the mission. Shachris davening at both shuls will be at 5:45am. Bus departure 6:30 sharp. To minimize taking up parking spots please try to walk or carpool to the shul. There will be briefings and a video on each bus. All meals provided. Mincha and Maariv minyanim will be scheduled. Arrival back in Edison/HP between 9-10pm.

# MAYHS ANNUAL DINNER

MAYHS Annual Dinner, Sunday, May 17, 2009 5:30pm at Congregation Ohr Torah in Edison Guests of Honor: Leah and Avshalom Nagar of Deal in addition we will be: Paying Tribute to the New Academic Administration and Celebrating the Bar Mitzvah Year of the Boys' Division For more info or to place an ad in the Journal, call (732) 613-7460 or e-mail adjournal@mayhs.org

# **THE SOCK MAN**

Murray the "Sock Man" (for all your camp/summer needs) is coming to Ohav Emeth on May 13th from 2:30-7:30pm. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the RPRY PTA

#### **RPRY PRESENTS LECTURE**

The RPRY PTA invites the entire community on Tuesday, May 19th at 8:15 p.m. at RPRY to a lecture on "Understanding Your Child's Emotional Life" given by Shera Dubitsky, a psychotherapist and clinical supervisor at Sharsheret.

#### **SUPPORT GROUP**

For Parents & Grandparents Of Children with Special Needs.

May 13, 2009 7:30PM The support group will be facilitated by Mr. Chaim Spero Executive Director of a Parent Speaks Support Group will be held at: Challenge Early Intervention Center 649 39th Street Brooklyn On-site parking available RSVPs helpful but not necessary RSVP to motivation@aparentspeaks.org Support Group is a project of A Parent Speaks. A Parent Speaks is not affiliated with Challenge Early Intervention Center. Special thanx to Challenge Intervention Center for the use of their facility. For more info please call 1-877-99-PARENT

#### **RABBI HOFFMAN'S SHIUR**

Rabbi Yisroel Hoffman's Choshen Mishpat Hilchos Dayanim shiur takes place Wednesday nights at the Agudah at 8:30 pm. To download previous shiurim, please visit <a href="http://csisol.com/shiurim.aspx">http://csisol.com/shiurim.aspx</a>

#### **MAZAL SHIDDUCH GROUP**

Please email Sharon at <a href="mailto:Shc118@aol.com">Shc118@aol.com</a> to request a form and to find out the location.

#### **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.

#### REBBETZIN EICHENSTEIN'S NAVI CLASS

Rebbitzen Eichenstein will be having her Navi class on Sefer Tehillim, Sunday morning, May 10 at 10AM at Cong. Agudath Israel. The Parsha class will not be held on Monday evening, May 11. Classes are for women only. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at <a href="mailto:siegelmom@optonline.net">siegelmom@optonline.net</a>, Ricki Stern 732-828-6939 <a href="mailto:rickistern@yahoo.com">rickistern@yahoo.com</a>.

#### MRS. MIRI COHEN'S PARSHA CLASS

Mrs. Miri Cohen's ladies Parsha class will meet Wednesday morning, May 13 at 9:15AM. at the home of Rikki Samel, 427 Dennison St, Highland Park. For more info, please call Azriella Jaffe 732-985-7613.

# **ATTENTION ALL WOMEN AND GIRLS:**

Women's 'Amen' group will continue to meet this Sunday at 9:45 AM upstairs in the office at Congregation Ohr Torah in Edison. All women and girls are invited to join. Please note the group prays in the 'Zechus' of Menachem Mordechai Ben Ophira, Fruma Sarah Bas Devorah Rachel, and the other Cholim on community lists and individual's requests.Looking for women to say Shir Hashirim (in your own home) this Friday night after licht bentchen. Please contact E.J. Berman at EJPartyworks@aol.com.If you would like to be included in a challah baking segullah for this coming Shabbos on Thursday night or Friday (hafrasha should be done Thursday night after dark or Friday) please contact E.J. at the above e mail address. It should be in the zechus of a refuah shleimah for Menachem Mordechai ben Ophira. Remember to please say a tefillah for Menachem Mordechai when you do the hafrasha AND when the dough is being kneaded. It could be your own personal tefillah or tehillim.

# ANNOUNCING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF OUR CHIZUK HOT LINE

A Parent Speaks Is happy to announce the establishment of our CHIZUK HOT LINE. The purpose of this hot line is to provide parents and family members of special needs children the chizuk/ support needed to get through those difficult moments. The hot line is manned by parents and family members who have gone through similar moments and are here to support you. Please note that the hot line is not manned by medical professionals or therapist and is intended only to be there as a support mechanism. The hot line is manned from after Shabbos CST until 3PM CST on Friday. The hot line is now up and running and available to assist you. HOT LINE 1-877-99-PARENT

#### **CHUG IVRIT**

The next meeting of Chug Ivrit (Hebrew Club) for intermediate to advanced Hebrew speakers will be on Sunday, May 10, at 11 am at a Highland Park area home. Chug Ivrit is sponsored by the Raritan

Valley Chapter of Hadassah. It is free and open to both men and women. You do not need to be a member of Hadassah to attend. We chat in Hebrew and read a short Hebrew story. For location and more info, contact Rachel Weintraub at 732-819-9298 or rachel@weintraubworld.net.

#### **JR NCSY INFO**

-Want to stay updated with Jr. NCSY? Join our mailing list! Updates go out as often as we get them, so please email <a href="irrcsyhp@qmail.com">irrcsyhp@qmail.com</a> with your child's name, grade and school. Any questions on any of the above announcements or anything having to do wth Jr. NCSY, please contact Chana Lustiger at 908-209-1820 or Tzvi Hametz at 732-991-2252 night

#### **PARK MIKVAH**

The Edison/Highland Park Mikvah is open Sun-Thur nights, 9-11pm. FRIDAY NIGHTS are by APPOINTMENT ONLY. Saturday night, May 9 the mikvah opens at 9:30pm. Saturday nights May 16th and 23rd, it opens at 9:45pm. Call 732-249-2411. Fee \$15. OUT OF HOURS an ADDITIONAL \$20.

#### **LOCAL ERUV**

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

# **ELECTRONIC RECYCLING**

ELECTRONIC RECYCLING - as part of her Bat Mitzvah celebration Ronit Langer asks the entire community to recycle their old electronic appliances on Monday morning May 25th outside of RPRY. All plug in devices accepted. All computer hard drives will be erased. There is a \$10 fee (cash only) for TV's, all other appliances are free of charge. For more details visit <a href="https://www.erevival.net">www.erevival.net</a>.

A portion of the proceeds will be donated to JNF's water resources management initiative in Israel. Additional donations for JNF gratefully welcomed.

#### Parshas Behar-Bechukotai

Candlelighting 7: 49 PM Mincha/ Kabolas Shabbos 6:00 & 7: 55 PM

#### **VISIT OHR TORAH ON THE WEB!**

Ohr Torah can now be found on the internet at <a href="http://www.ohrtorah.net">http://www.ohrtorah.net</a> You can join the email list for Weekly Announcements. Any ideas and comments about the site can be sent to <a href="mailto:webmaster@ohrtorah.net">webmaster@ohrtorah.net</a> Announcements should be sent to <a href="mailto:announcements@ohrtorah.net">announcements@ohrtorah.net</a> Submit all announcements by 7 PM Wednesday.

**TELEPHONE**: Call 732-777-6840, press Newsletter option (spell all names)

**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.