



# Congregation Ohr Torah

## Weekly Announcements

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**Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi**

**Robert Kreitman - President**

*Parshas Lech Lecha*

*8 Cheshvan 5772*

*Nov. 5, 2011*

**Candlelighting:** 5:33 PM  
**Mincha:** 5:40 PM  
**Shacharis:** 7:45, 9:00 & 9:15 AM  
*Rabbi Hoffman's Shiur on Minchas Chinuch After Hashkama*  
**Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA):** 10:06 AM  
*Rabbi Luban's Rosh Hashanah Shiur – 4:35 PM*  
**Mincha:** 1:45 & 5:25 PM  
*Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Noam Lustiger (Siyum)*  
**Maariv:** 6:35 PM  
**PLEASE REMEMBER TO MOVE YOUR CLOCKS BACK 1 HOUR**  
**Weekday Shacharis:**  
**Sun** 7:15, 8:00, 9 AM  
**Mon. & Thur** 6:20, 7:05, 8 AM  
**Tues, Wed, & Fri.** 6:30, 7:10, 8 AM  
**Weekday Mincha/ Maariv:** 4:30 PM  
**Weekday Maariv** 7:30 & 10:10 PM  
*Rabbi Luban's Monday night Sheilos Utshuvos Shiur is at 9:10PM. Topic: Trading Terrorists for Hostages (cont.)*  
*Tuesday Tehillim – 9:50 PM*  
**Daf Yomi Schedule**  
 Sunday-after 8 am Shacharis. Mon.-Thurs.-after 7:30 PM Maariv. Friday-after Kabbolas Shabbos.

### **BARUCH HABAH**

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

### **KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP**

Kiddush sponsorship is available Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> and Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup>. To sponsor a Kiddush or reserve the Kiddush room, please contact Mel Barenholtz in person, by phone or email: [mbarenh@yahoo.com](mailto: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](mailto:info@ohrtorah.net) and request to be added to the distribution.

### **BUILDING DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIES**

Contact Moshe Schneider at 732-618-4702 or at [mschneider19@yahoo.com](mailto: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 by contacting Barry Siegel at [siegeldd@optonline.net](mailto:siegeldd@optonline.net) or 732-572-4408.

### **HOUSEKEEPING**

For housekeeping issues and inquiries contact Lou Smith at [luddeju@gmail.com](mailto:luddeju@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](http://www.ohrtorah.net), for the various schedules of learning as a Z'chus for a Refuah Shleimah for members of our shul and community.

### **MAZEL TOV**

...to Aliza and Binyamin Goldstein on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Nate - "Chaim Nachum". Mazel Tov to siblings Avigail, Efraim and Chavi and to the entire extended Weisfogel and Goldstein families.  
 ...to Debbie and Moshe Schneider on the Aufruf of their son, Yaakov, this Shabbos and his wedding this week to Chaya Leder of Baltimore. Mazel Tov to the Leder, Bassiur, Libin and Schneider families.  
 ...to Breindy and Neal Pomper on the birth of a daughter to their children Sarah and Benjamin Pomper. Mazel Tov to brothers Moshe and Tzvi, and to the entire Pomper, Sandhaus, and Teifenbrunn families.  
 ...to Sandi and Brian Dube on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Gabriella. Mazel Tov to Gabriella's sisters Rachel and Jordana, grandparents Roby & Perry Langert, Jeffrey & Barbara Dube, Solomon & Irene Messulan and great grandparents Herbert Dube & Abuela Margot.  
 ... to Toby and Michael Eleff on the birth of a boy to their children Rabbi and Dr. Eli Eleff.  
 ...to Lorraine and Abe Schwartzbard on the birth of a granddaughter, Eliana Mia, to their children Kaley and Jonathan Schwartzbard.  
 ...to Barbara and Jerry Belsh on the birth of a daughter to their children Tova and Sammy Belsh.

### **KIDDUSH**

-Kiddush this Shabbos is being sponsored by Aliza and Binyamin Goldstein in honor of Nate's Bar Mitzvah. The Goldsteins invite the entire congregation to Kiddush following Davening. Kiddush will be at RPRY.

-Hashkama Kiddush this Shabbos is being sponsored by Debbie and Moshe Schneider in honor of Yaakov's Aufruf.

### **SHALOSH SEUDOS**

Shalosh Seudos this week is being co-sponsored by:

-Lori & Leslie Ney and Eva Weisz in memory of the Yahrzeit of Leslie's and Eva's father Tibor Ney Z"L, and Lori's father Benjamin Katz, Z"L.

-Aviva & Barry Siegel in memory of Barry's father Yechiel ben Zvi Hirsch Z"L.

-Arnie & Janice Lustiger in memory of Janice's father, Aryeh Leib Ben Avraham Pinchas Z"L, and Janice's uncle, Aharon Shimshon Ben Yosef Baruch Z"L

### **MISHMAR**

Mishmar learning program at RPRY will start on Motzei Shabbas, Nov 5, at 8:00 pm. Please bring your own Seforim. Cost is still

only \$3.00 which includes, pizza, donuts, prizes and raffles

### **UPCOMING SHUL ELECTIONS**

The Initial Slate of Officers and Members of the Governing Board has been posted on the shul web site. Please contact Evan Abrahams, Brian Allen, Arthur Atlas, Moshe Schneider or Shelly Schoenfeld if, after reviewing the list of nominees, you would like to nominate any member or be nominated for any position. All members in "good standing" may be nominated. Nominations should be made by no later than midnight, Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>.

### **ELECTION DAY THIS TUESDAY - NOV 8TH**

Polls are open from 6am-8pm. Please go out to vote; the eyes of public officials are on our community, so it is critically important that we have a major turnout.

### **OHR TORAH YOUTH EVENTS**

Ohr Torah Youth are headed to the Arenas at Woodbridge (formerly United Skates of America) on Motzei Shabbat Nov. 12th at 6:30 PM for a fun evening of roller skating. We will return to the Shul at 9:15 PM. Cost is \$20 per child. Price includes bus transportation to/from facility, 1 1/2 hours use of roller skating/blading rink, roller skate or blade rentals and snacks/drinks at facility. Children who own their own skates are encouraged to bring them as rentals will be limited. Questions...contact Mayer Berg at [marcberg@verizon.net](mailto:marcberg@verizon.net) <<mailto:marcberg@verizon.net>>.

### **NEW MEMBERS**

Please welcome New Members:  
 -Moshe and Svetlana Rozenberg.

### **AMBASSADOR YEHUDA AVNER**

Tonight, at 8:30 PM, Congregation Ohr Torah is pleased to present a lecture by Ambassador Yehuda Avner who served as Speechwriter and Advisor to five Israeli Prime Ministers from Levi Eshkol through Menachem Begin. As a top political aide, Ambassador Avner was privy to the inside workings of Israel's Prime Minister's office, and was present for major decision-making moments related to military operations and diplomatic negotiations. In addition, he served at the Israeli Consulate in New York and Embassy in Washington and, in 1983, was appointed Israeli Ambassador to Britain and, from 1992 to 1995, served as Israeli Ambassador to Australia.

This past year, Ambassador Avner authored *The Prime Ministers: An Intimate Narrative of Israeli Leadership*, which has become a bestseller and a finalist for the National

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Jewish Book Award. The book will soon be made into two motion pictures: a dramatic adaptation and a documentary by Academy Award-winning Moriah Films

### **SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE**

Please mark your calendars. Dr. Nathan Aviezer will be a scholar-in-residence at Congregation Ohr Torah, Parshas Chayai Sarah, November 19, 2011.

### **LOST AND FOUND**

-A small earring was found on the sidewalk on North Eighth Ave. during the Yomim Tovim. It is a mother-of-pearl disc hanging on a short, silver wire.

Please contact Ellen Smith at 732-777-6787.  
-On Sunday 10/30 in a.m. black fall jacket size Extra Large was lost in the OT coat room. Please contact Moshe Rozenberg @ (732) 393-9255.

### **DOUG STAHL MEMORIAL VOLUME**

If anyone wishes to contribute material to this memorial volume, or to help fund its production, please contact Josh Rapps, jrapps@bloomberg.net

## **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **ORTHODOX FORUM SPECIAL SHABBAT PROGRAM**

Dr. Alan Kadish to Visit Highland Park/Edison  
The Orthodox Forum of Edison/Highland Park is coordinating a special Shabbat Program with local shuls to host Dr. Alan Kadish, President of Touro College on Shabbat VaYerah, November 11-12, 2011. On Friday Night, 8:15 pm, Dr. Kadish will speak at Congregation Ohav Emeth on "The Paradox between Free Choice and Divine Providence - Why HaShem Created Quantum Mechanics". On Shabbat morning, he will give the drasha at Congregation Ohr Torah, "How to Pass a Test - Akeidat Yitzchak". Congregation Agudath Israel will host Dr. Kadish for Shalosh Seudos at 4:15 pm, "Hagar's Exile - Necessary but not Sufficient". Saturday night, Dr. Kadish will speak at an Orthodox Forum event at Congregation Ohr Torah at 8:00 pm, "The Jewish Intellectual Tradition: Insights from Bezalel". After Dr. Kadish' presentation, the community is invited to meet Dr. Kadish at a reception to be held at Ohr Torah.

### **CAMP MOSHAVA OPEN HOUSE**

Learn all about Camp Moshava and the incredible summer experience your children have been waiting for! Hear about what is new for 2012 from Alan Silverman, Moshava's Camp Director. ALL are welcome -- new and returning parents and campers.

Monday evening, November 7, 2011, **at the home of Robert & Riki Kreitman, 22 Marshall Drive, Edison, NJ**

All attendees will receive a \$50 family discount.

### **KALEVER REBBE VISITS**

The Kalever Rebbe will be visiting our Raritan Valley community of Highland Park, Edison and New Brunswick.

On Sunday November 6:

- 9am - 1pm at Ahavas Yisrael

- 4pm - 10:30pm at Ohav Emeth

On Monday November 7:

- 9:30am - 6:45pm at Rutgers Hillel

All are welcome. The Rebbe is English and Hebrew speaking and will not accept donations.

For more information contact Rabbi Gedaliah Jaffe (732) 762-0996. For group visits email Gary Katz at [garpk@yahoo.com](mailto:garpk@yahoo.com).

No Appointments are necessary!

### **OU JOB BOARD**

The OU Job Board is proud to announce the official opening of its new updated website at [www.oujobs.org](http://www.oujobs.org). Please if you have not yet seen the new page, go to [www.oujobs.org](http://www.oujobs.org) to sign up now! As usual, everything is No Charge and easy to use. So if you are looking for a job or looking for an employee, the OU Job Board is the place to be. Michael Srule Rosner.

### **BIKUR CHOLIM**

Bikur Cholim of Raritan Valley will be having its annual Eli and Frieda Stern Memorial Volunteer Appreciation Brunch on Sunday, November 13 from 9:30 - 11:00 AM at Congregation Ohav Emeth. Everyone in the community is invited to join us in honoring the Volunteer Recruitment committee: Elise Berlin, Chaya Reinitz, and Ronnie Shilcrat. Admission is free. Reservations are not required. For more information, please call Diana Hakakian 732-983-2686.

### **RPRY PTA**

RPRY PTA presents Game Night. Kids, grab your parents and come join the fun as we play some great games. Saturday night November 19th 6:30pm at RPRY. Great gift ideas for Chanukah.

### **EMUNAH**

Register now for a how-to demonstration of a complete multi-course meat meal in the home of the gifted cook Sharon Starr Heyden, 159 North 8 Avenue at only \$18 per person, benefitting EMUNAH projects in Israel. Nov 13 Sunday night at 7:30 pm. Reserve by e-mailing Barbara Kessel at [mayd149@aol.com](mailto:mayd149@aol.com) or calling Sharon Hirt at 732-777-0462 to assure your place and allow us to prepare enough dinner for everyone. This is a delicious way to support our needy clientele with dignity and fellowship.

### **MOSSAD HARAV KOOK**

R. Shizgal, executive director of Mossad Harav Kook will be in our community on Monday Nov. 14, at 7:30 PM at the home of Debbie and Bill Gewirtz, 15 Celler Road. Please support this important institution that continues to publish important works of Jewish scholarship. In recent years MHK has begun to publish a number of books in English including its tanach, biblical atlas, and holocaust history. Donations at various levels help support the institution and build your seforim library.

### **KEREN KOL KALLAH**

Keren Kol Kallah is in desperate need of more sheitels for their annual sheitel sale. All the wigs donated are sold at discounted prices to women who could not usually afford to buy a good quality wig, and all the money goes to help poor kallahs. They currently have a mere 20% of the number of sheitels they usually have by this time of year!! With many kallahs counting on the proceeds from this sale, they are desperate for more so they can run the sale in time. Do you have a wig you are no longer wearing? One that never really worked for you or just went out of style? There are women in Israel who would be happy to purchase these pieces and the money goes straight to our needy brides. Please join us in this wonderful mitzvah and help make this year's sheitel sale a success! Please contact Aviva at [sieglmom@optonline.net](mailto:sieglmom@optonline.net)

### **RAE KUSHNER YESHIVA HIGH SCHOOL**

Eighth-grade students and their parents are invited

to join Rae Kushner Yeshiva High School at our

**OPEN HOUSE, SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2011**

Registration: 9:00 - 9:30am

Program: 9:30am - 12:00pm

### **ACTT**

ACTT will be sponsoring a community wide event on Sunday evening, November 20, 2011 at 8:00 PM. Speaker: Rabbi Steven Miodownik, Moreh D'Asra of Congregation Ahavas Achim. Title: The Jewish Pursuit of Happiness. Source book: Rabbi Pliskin's Artscroll book, "Happiness - Formulas, stories, and insights". Location: Congregation Etz Ahaim. For more information, e-mail [info@actt613.org](mailto:info@actt613.org) or call Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762 or Aviva Siegel (732) 572-4408.

### **CHOFETZ CHAIM HERITAGE FOUNDATION**

Save the date - The Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation presents an Unforgettable Evening of Inspiration, a Worldwide Women's Event - "Rise and Shine" - Tips, Tools and Wisdom for Rising Above the Challenges of Your Family, Home, and Life", a new audio-visual presentation. Hear world class inspirational speakers such as Mrs. Bella Weinreb, Rebbetzin Zlata Press, Mrs. Miriam Swerdlov and more. Also featuring a new musical presentation. Motzai Shabbos, December 10, 8:00 PM, location to be determined. Suggested donation: \$12. For more information, please call Debbie 732-572-4713 or Aviva 732-572-4408.

### **10 EASY STEPS TO BUY A HOME IN ISRAEL**

In 2003 a network of interested Highland Parkers and Edisonians meet on a regular basis to understand what is needed to fulfill a dream of buying a home in Israel. The result, nearly 3 dozen of your friends and neighbors, who have participated in these sessions, have purchased homes in Israel since the formation of that social network. On Nov 6, 2011 at 8 PM at Ohav Emeth, 415 Raritan Avenue, a broker, lawyer and some of your friends will describe how you can fulfill your dream of buying a home in Israel.

### **MTJ ANNUAL MELAVE MALKA**

The annual Mesivtha Tifereth Jerusalem Melave Malka will be held on Motzei Shabbat, Nov 19, 2011 8PM at Ohav Emeth. The Guest of Honor is Rabbi Zvi Weiss who will receive the Distinguished Kesser Shem Tov Award. Hagaon Harav Reuven Feinstein, Shlit'a, will be the guest speaker. For information and reservations please call Shimon Jakubovic at (732) 246-1037.

### **THE KESHER WIFE WORKSHOP**

THE KESHER WIFE WORKSHOP presents a marriage workshop to be given by Sara Yoheved Rigler, a popular international lecturer and author of *Holy Woman, Lights from Jerusalem, and Battle Plans: How to Fight the Yetzer Hara*. This three-hour workshop for married women utilizes the successful methods of scripts, guided visualization, and innovative exercises to acquire practical, life-changing tools to enhance one's shalom bayis. Workshop will be held on Sunday, November 6, 2011, 10:00 A.M. at Congregation Ahavas Achim. Fee: \$30 (Financial Assistance on request). Space limited. For details and to pre-register call Cheryl Farkas at 845-304-1070 or email [schechterfarkas@yahoo.com](mailto:schechterfarkas@yahoo.com). Note: The workshop is not recommended for women in situations involving abuse or addiction.

**PLEASE HELP KEEP THE SHUL NEAT...PLEASE RETURN SIDDURIM & CHUMASHIM TO THE REAR OF THE SANCTUARY AFTER DAVENING.**

### **REBBITZEN EICHENSTEIN'S CLASSES FOR WOMEN**

Rebbitzen Eichenstein will be having her Navi class on Sefer Shir Hashirim, Sunday morning, November 6 at 10:00 AM at Cong. Agudath Israel and Parsha class on Monday evening, November 7 at 8:00 PM at Cong. Ohr Torah. Classes are for women only. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at 732-572-4408 [siegelmom@optonline.net](mailto:siegelmom@optonline.net), Ricki Stern 732-828-6939 [rickistern@yahoo.com](mailto:rickistern@yahoo.com).

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

Mrs. Miri Cohen's ladies Parsha class will meet Wednesday morning, November 9 at 9:00 AM at the home of Rikki Samel, 427 Dennison St, Highland Park. Please bring a Chumash Beraishis.

### **AMEN GROUP**

The Women's AMEN Group meets weekly on Sundays at 9:30 AM in a downstairs classroom at Congregation Ohr Torah. To participate in challah baking or saying Shir Hashirim in the zechus of a refuah shelaimah for Menachem Mordechai ben Ophira and Rav Chaim Zev ben Ettel Chaya, please contact E.J. Berman at 732-991-8090 or [EJPartyworks@aol.com](mailto:EJPartyworks@aol.com).

### **HADASSAH**

The November 15 meeting of the Raritan Valley Chapter of Hadassah will have a Thanksgiving-oriented theme: Our local Jewish community has been enriched by immigrants who have come here from many lands. The program will feature three such immigrants who lived through dramatic episodes in Jewish history: Ruth Bickhardt, who came from Germany on the ill-fated *S.S. St. Louis*; Martha jDavidovich, who came from

Romania and was welcomed by a local family; and Behzad Hakakian, who came from Iran during the Islamic Revolution, will tell their stories. The meeting will take place at 7:30 P.M. at the Highland Park Conservative Temple, and light refreshments will be served.

### **Yahrzeit of Rochel Imeinu**

The 9<sup>th</sup> annual Worldwide Event for the Yahrzeit of Rochel Imeinu presents a video of inspiration: "Interlocking Hearts, The Power of Our Connection" with shiurim by Rebbitzen Tehila Jaeger and Rebbitzen Tziporah Heller on Monday, November 7, 8:30 PM at the Orani residence, 292 North 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Highland Park. For women only. Minimum suggested donation: \$10. Sponsorships welcome. All proceeds will go to Aniyet Eretz Yisrael. For more information, please call Miri Cohen 732-777-1456.

### **EMPLOYMENT NETWORK OF RARITAN VALLEY**

Looking for work? We can help. Go to [www.ENRV.org](http://www.ENRV.org) or contact Bob Lansey at [enrv@verizon.net](mailto:enrv@verizon.net). We post over 100 jobs each month, and help people with their resume and search strategies. Please help: If you know of any professional, part-time, or temporary job openings, please e-mail the info to [enrv@verizon.net](mailto:enrv@verizon.net).

### **PARK MIKVAH**

The Edison/Highland Park Mikvah will be open from 8:30-10:30pm Saturday-Thursday, BEGINNING November 6th. Saturday night, November 5th, the mikvah will be open from 9pm-10:30pm. Friday nights are by APPOINTMENT

ONLY. You must arrive and leave during regular Mikvah hours. Fee is \$15. OUT OF HOURS: additional \$20. PLEASE BE AWARE WITH DANGEROUS WEATHER AND TRAVEL CONDITIONS, the mikvah may have to make the decision not to open. In such a case, please call the mikvah before leaving home. Phone number is: 732-249-2411.

### **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.

### **LOCAL ERUV**

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

Shabbos Vayera	
Candlelighting	4:25 PM
Mincha	4:35 PM

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

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**Sof davar...**

**by Rabbi Israel Poleyeff**

### **Jewish Sports Standoutss(1): Alan (Shlomo)Veingrad (by request of some readers)**

Only football enthusiasts will recognize this name, especially if you live in Green Bay, Wisconsin or Dallas, Texas. Alan Veingrad was born in Brooklyn to a family totally devoid of Jewish life. He started playing football in High School and then starred at East Texas State. He was recognized as a top flight player at State and was drafted by the Green Bay Packers of the NFL. He made the team and played for the Packers for five seasons. He was then traded to Dallas where in 1992 he was part of Dallas' winning Super Bowl team. It was then that he met a Lou Weinstein who introduced him to Shabbos and other religious practices. Recognizing, as he said, that his life was missing something he slowly added more religious practices into his and his family's life until today he is a full shomer Torah and mitzvos, the only one who also wears a super bowl ring. He now wears a neat beard and goes by the name of Shlomo Veingard as he speaks about his experiences. Seven years in the National Football League, one super bowl winner followed by a life of Torah. And it all started with an invitation to a shabbos seudah. That's Alan Shlomo Veingrad, football star and religious baal teshuva. Look him up on the internet and you'll read the full story of a remarkable individual.