



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parsha Shemini

Nisan 26, 5773

April 6, 2013

Candlelighting:	7:08PM
Mincha:	7:15 PM
Shacharis:	7:45, 9:00 & 9:15 AM
<i>Rabbi Hoffman's Shiur –after Hashkama</i>	
Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA):	9:40 AM
<i>Rabbi Luban's Gemara Sotah Shiur: 6:15PM</i>	
Mincha:	1:45 & 7:05 PM
<i>Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Zev Saffer (Elon Moreh)</i>	
Maariv:	8:15PM
Weekday Shacharis:	
Sunday:	7:15, 8 & 9 AM
Mon.	6:20, 7:05, 8AM
Tues. Fri.	6:30, 7:10, 8 AM
Wed., Thu (Rosh Chodesh)	6:10, 7:05 & 8AM
Weekday Mincha/ Maariv:	7:15 PM
Weekday Maariv	10:10 PM
<i>Rabbi Luban's Sheilos U'teshuvos Shiur:</i>	
<i>Monday- 9:10-10:10 is CANCELLED this week</i>	
<i>Tuesday Tehillim: 9:50 PM</i>	
<i>Wednesday Night Seder: 8:10:10 PM</i>	
Daf Yomi Times	
Monday-Thursday-after Maariv	
Friday -after 7pm Kabolos Shabbos	
Shabbos-1 hour before Mincha	
Sunday -after 8am Shacharis	

KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week is sponsored by Shelly and Aryeh Zinkin in memory of Shelly's mother Sylvia Dershowitz, Sara Temma bas Yaakov Leib, A"H.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos this week is sponsored by Glenda and Moshe Sherman in memory of the Yahrzeit of Moshe's mother....

CONDOLENCES

Congregation Ohr Torah extends deepest condolences to Eddie Lowinger on the loss of his mother, Agnes Lowinger, Z"L. Eddie will begin sitting shiva at 72-14 136th Street, Flushing, NY. until Sunday night and return on Monday morning to Highland Park at 30 South Adelaide Ave, Apt 4k. Eddie's cell number is [732-586-2005](tel:732-586-2005). Eddie will get up on Tuesday morning. Shacharis Monday morning will take place at 7:05 AM and Mincha at 7:15 PM. Tuesday Shacharis will be at 7:10.

May you be comforted among the mourners of Tzion and Jerusalem.

YOMIM NORAIM BAAL TEFILLAH

Please come and participate with us this Shabbos as Allen Berman joins us for a "proba", as Baal Tefillah for the Yomim Noraim.

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.

Harvey is working with *Renewal*, a Jewish non-profit organization, which facilitates and supports all aspects of the kidney transplants process. 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)

MISHNAYOT

As a z'chut for a refuah shleima for Rafael Yisrael Chaim ben Shifra Chana, we are organizing learning of Mishnayot. Below is a link to a Google doc which can be used to sign up for learning. We would like the learning to be completed by April 20.

RS Harvey Paretzky -

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/ccc?ke>

[y=0AvJhuAWLZLAtdJJoV0g1b2VZZU93MUHk eTBGSFFLbHc&usp=sharing](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0AvJhuAWLZLAtdJJoV0g1b2VZZU93MUHk&eTBGSFFLbHc&usp=sharing)

If you do not have internet, you can sign up by calling (732) 819-7036

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. For those who remember, Cong Ohr Torah was privileged to have six men from a unit daven with us one Shabbat morning in November. 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

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. With her love of adventure, fearlessness and powerful intellect, Ruth defied tradition in an extraordinary career that spanned more than seven decades. She is also the author of more than 20 books. 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

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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

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

TASTE OF RPRY

"Taste of RPRY" Spring Special RPRY is offering a post-Pesach Early Childhood enrollment special. Register your child for the 10+ weeks following Pesach, starting 4/8, at REDUCED RATES. Don't Miss This Great Opportunity!! For more info, please contact Helene Lockspeiser, Dir of Early Childhood and Admissions, at 572-5052 x215, or email hlockspeiser@rpry.org.

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 now for the early bird discount (ending mid March): 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 dccdad@aol.com, Yosef Schreiber or Barry Wolf for more info.

VISTING SOFER AT JUDAICA GALLERY

The sofer will be at Judaica Gallery, 300 Raritan Avenue, this Sunday, April 7th 2013. Store hours are 10am to 5pm. 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.

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.

RPRY EEMA AND ME PROGRAM

Due to its overwhelming success, the RPRY EEMA and ME Program will begin a new session on Tuesday mornings from 9 - 10 am, beginning on April 9th, through Tuesday June 4th, 2013. We are also pleased to announce that we are expanding our EEMA and ME Program to include a new Friday morning *Erev Shabbat at RPRY*, beginning on Friday, April 5th, 2013 from 9 - 10 am. These programs are free of charge; all that is required is a \$10 registration fee for the semester.

We look forward to playing, learning, and celebrating shabbat with you and your child! For more info, please contact Helene Lockspeiser at hlockspeiser@rpry or [732-572-5052 ext. 215](tel:732-572-5052)

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

-Rebbitzen Eichenstein's, Mrs. Leah Drillman's and Mrs. Miri Cohen's ladies class will resume after Pesach

-Collecting Sheitels: Keren Kol Kallah - established to provide orphan and destitute kallahs in Israel with essential needs. Donated custom sheitels, some brand-new, some gently worn, are sold to women in Israel who would not otherwise have the funds to buy a quality wig. All the money raised at the sale goes towards a hachnasas kallah fund which helps needy brides in Eretz Yisrael. Sheitels can be dropped off by Aviva, 16 Edgemount Road, Edison. For more info, please see contact Aviva Siegel (732) 572-4408 sieglmom@optonline.net

-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.

WOMEN'S YOM IYUN

Congregation Ahavas Achim is sponsoring a Women's Yom Iyun on April 7th. Nechama Price of Stern College will give two shiurim: 9:00 - 10:00 Description: The Rules of Staining for all Stages of Life 10:00 - 11:00 Brunch 11:00 - 12:00 Behind Closed Doors--Sexuality: A Torah Perspective.

Advance reservations are requested; free babysitting will be provided. Please RSVP to womensyomiyun@gmail.com by March 15th. If bringing children, let us know the number of children and their ages. Please mail your \$10 covert to: Congregation Ahavas Achim 216 South First Avenue, Highland Park, NJ 08904

PARK MIKVAH HOURS

PARK MIKVAH - The Edison / Highland Park Mikvah will be open Sunday - Thursday from 9-11pm. Friday nights are by APPOINTMENT ONLY. Motzai Shabbos: April 6th, the hours are 9:15-11pm. Motzai 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 Tazria-Mezora

Candlelighting	7:15 PM
Mincha	7:25 PM

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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.