



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi

Robert Kreitman - President

Sukkot/Chol Hamoed

Erev Succos (Wednesday Sept 18)

- Candlelighting: 6:43 PM

Erev Tavshilin before candlelighting

- Mincha: 6:50 PM

First Day Succos (Thursday Sept 19)

- Shacharis: 7:45, 9:00, 9:15 AM (Vasikin TBA)
- Mincha 1:45 & 6:45 PM
- Candlelighting not before 7:49 PM

Second Day Succos (Friday Sept 20)

- Shacharis: 7:45, 9:00, 9:15 AM (Vasikin TBA)
- Mincha: 1:45 & 6:45 PM
- Candlelighting: 6:39 PM

Shabbos Chol Hamoed Succos (September 21)

- Shacharis: 7:45, 9:00, 9:15 AM (Vasikin TBA)
- Mincha: 1:45 & 6:30 PM

Rabbi Luban's Sotah Shiur: 5:40 PM

- Maariv: 7:40 PM

2nd day Chol Hamoed Succos (Sunday September 22)

- Shacharis: 7, 8 & 9 AM
- Mincha: 6:40 PM

3rd-4th days Chol Hamoed Succos (Monday - Tuesday Sept 23-24)

- Shacharis: 6:10, 6:55, 8 & 9 AM
- Mincha: 6:40 PM

Hoshanah Rabba, Erev Shemini Atzeres (Wednesday September 25)

- Shacharis: 6:00, 6:30, 8 & 9 AM

DAF YOMI

Wednesday-after Maariv

Thursday-One hour before Mincha-5:45

Friday-one hour before Mincha-5:45

Shabbos-one hour before Mincha-5:30

Sunday -after 8am Shacharis

Monday-Tuesday-after Maariv

KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP

Kiddush sponsorship is available for Shemini Atzeres and October 19. To sponsor a Kiddush or reserve the Kiddush room, please contact Mel Barenholtz in person, or 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 see the Ohr Torah website: www.ohrtorah.net

BUILDING DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIES

Contact Moshe Schneider at 732-618-4702 or at 8848 (cell), reenagreenspan@yahoo.com or Gene Wasserman 732-397-0130 or genew@compugene.com or mschneider19@yahoo.com

TREE OF LIFE and/or YAHRZEIT PLAQUES

To dedicate a Yahrzeit Plaque or a Leaf for the Lobby EitzChayim Tree, please contact Moish Nat by sending a detaile fax with all dedicatory wording to 732-759-8558. For

17 Tishrei 5774

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 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, for the various schedules of learning as a Z'chus for a Refuah Shleimah 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

MAZEL TOV

...to Debby and Arthur Atlas and Drora and Sheldon Waltuch on the birth of a son to their children Rachelli and Reuben. Mazel Tov to all the aunts, uncles and cousins and to the great grandmother Erika Schoenfeld. *The Shalom Zachor will take place in the RPRY Succah 9 PM Friday night.*
...to Anna and Charles Plittman on the birth of a daughter to their children Aviva and Yaakov Plittman.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush the second day of Succos (Friday) is being sponsored by Yussi & Cheryl Strauch to commemorate the Yartzheit of Yussi's father, Aharon Shmuel Zanol ben Yosef Meir, Mr. Samuel Strauch, A'H'.

HOSHANOS PROCESSION

As in years past, the Women's Section on the left will be closed until after Hallel on Thursday and Friday, September 19 and 20, to allow for an orderly Hoshanos Procession. Immediately afterward, the Women's Section will be reopened for the rest of Services. We thank the ladies in advance for being so gracious in allowing us the use of their space. Thank you.

HOSHANAH RABBA

It is Ohr Torah policy to restrict Klaping Hoshanas to the tiled areas by the Bima and Aron Kodesh (in the main sanctuary), or on the floor in the hallways. Please DO NOT Klap on the Pews, any wooden furniture, sink areas or on the carpeting. Thank You.

SIMCHAT TORAH

KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP

Ohr Torah is once again planning an elaborate, sumptuous, hot Simchat Torah Kiddush. To help defray the costs of the

September 21, 2013

Kiddush to the Shul, we are looking for sponsors. Please consider becoming a \$100 sponsor by contacting, Arthur Atlas, Yoel Schwartz, Asaf Shmuel, Barry Wolf, David Rudnitzky, Barry Siegel or Leslie Ney.

HAKARAS HATOV

Mr. David Kornfeld expresses Hakaras Hatov for the community consoling him on the recent loss of his brother.

OHR TORAH YOUTH PROGRAM

-On Sunday night September 22nd from 6PM to 8PM at the RPRY Succah, Ohr Torah will host Dinner in the Succah including a Simchat Beit Hashoeva BBQ catered by Park Place for all children, teenagers, parents and grandparents at the RPRY Succah. Not only will we enjoy hamburgers, hot dogs, cole slaw, potato salad and more but we will also be able to sing and dance to live music by the Avi Maza Orchestra in the Succah as well. While there is no cover charge to attend this program, we are soliciting sponsors at the cost of \$36 per member family or \$10 per individual sponsor. If you would like to be a sponsor please contact Mayer Berg or Ami Avraham as soon as possible via email: marcberg@verizon.net or ami316@gmail.com.

-On Thursday night September 26th from 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM, Ohr Torah will host its Third Annual Childrens Hakafot in the Kiddush Room. Israeli flags and song sheets will be provided as we dance with the Torah to usher in the start of Simchat Torah. In addition, a light pareve dinner will be provided for children and their parents including bagels, tuna and egg salad and cupcakes for dessert! Candy bags will be handed out at the Shul Hakafot later that evening. There is no registration necessary...just come and enjoy!

In addition there will be a Youth Program on Shmini Atzeret, Thursday September 26th starting at 10 AM however there will be no program on Simchat Torah. We will resume on Shabbat September 28th at 10 AM.

-The COT Youth Department extends a Gmar Tov to all. Any questions...contact Mayer Berg at marcberg@verizon.net.

MINCHA AFTER MUSAF ON

SIMCHAS TORAH

There will be a Mincha minyan immediately after Mussaf of the 9:00 AM Minyan on Simchas Torah in addition to the regularly scheduled Mincha Minyan.

9:00 AM MINYAN HELP

We need a person to take responsibility for locking up the Shul after the weekday 9:00

**REMINDER: The emergency Defibrillator is mounted on the wall in the hallway.
PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR MORE OHR TORAH INFORMATION**

AM Minyan or we will have to cancel this Minyan. Please contact me to volunteer.

-Robert Kreitman

SUCCOS SHIUR

Come join a Succos shiur on the afternoons of the first and second days of Yom Tov. The topic for day 1 will be: Taking the Arba Minim One After the Other. Day 2: Is an Esrog or Lulav Tree Chayav in Orlah? The shiurim will be at 5:40 PM (downstairs).

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CHOFETZ CHAIM HERITAGE FOUNDATION

The Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation presents "Outside the Camp". Chol Hamoed Sukkos, Monday evening, September 23, 8:00 PM, at Congregation Ohr Torah for women and girls. Suggested donation: \$10. For more information, please call Debbie [732-572-4713](tel:732-572-4713).

CHAI LIFELINE SHABBATON

After a one-year hiatus, the Edison-Highland Park community will once again be welcoming approximately thirty boys (between the ages of 7 & 15 years old) and staff from Chai Lifeline for a weekend retreat (October 19). Our Shabbaton, in which community boys become "buddies" to the Chai Lifeline kids and an inspirational community-wide Seudah Shlishit is held at OT, has twice now been recognized internationally as one of the best shabbatons of the year. It provides the opportunity for kids in a very difficult situation to forget their troubles for a weekend and enjoy themselves with old friends and new "buddies." It also provides their families with much-needed respite.

In past years, the Shabbaton was subsidized by a small number of individuals. Unfortunately, we no longer have access to those funds, and must reach out to the community at large. We need to raise another \$7,000 to cover the Shabbaton. Please sponsor or contribute today (all contributions will be displayed on a recognition card):

- \$ 1,000 Sponsor Shabbat lunch
- \$ 500 Sponsor Seudah Shlisit
- \$ 360 Sponsor a child for the weekend
- \$ 180 Sponsor **Saturday** night Event
- \$ 180 Contributor

Checks should be made out to "Chai Lifeline" and mailed to David Waizer, 53 North 7th Ave, Highland Park, NJ 08904.

Teens from Highland Park/Edison who would like to volunteer should contact Barbara Edery at barbaraedery@gmail.com. This event qualifies for chesed hours and letters can be provided upon request."

RETIREE LUNCH AND LEARN

Come join us to enjoy a staple of old time Jewish Comedy. How many of you remember Gertrude Berg aka Mollie Goldberg? This is not just a story of one influential woman, but a wondrous journey of discovery of a time that laid the groundwork for the present. This video includes interviews with Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, actor Ed Asner and many other well known personalities. Date: Wednesday, Oct 16, 2013 Time: 12:00 noon Location: Cong Ohr Torah The program will include a light lunch followed by the video, dessert and socializing. Those who would like to see one of the Mollie Goldberg TV episodes and understand just why Mollie was universally acclaimed by all ethnic groups can stay awhile longer and enjoy the second "dessert." There will be a charge of \$10 to help defray the cost of the meal. RSVP to Bella blerner18@optonline.net or 732 317-1786 Mildred 732 572-1712 Or Marcia ppheffer@verizon.net or 732 572-5998

MEI GARDEN NO LONGER KOSHER

The Mei Garden restaurant on Raritan Avenue is under new management and no longer under the supervision of the Vaad Harabbonim of Raritan Valley.

NCSY NEWS AND EVENTS

Hi Everyone, My name is Rifky Sacks and my husband and I became the NCSY city directors for Highland park/ Edison/ Elizabeth chapter

1. "Sukkot Dessert Bar Oneg"
We would like to invite all NCSYers along with their friends to join us for an awesome oneg in our Sukkah! Friday, Sept 20th. 3-5:30pm
Come meet the new city directors and enjoy delicious desserts!

We look forward to meeting you all!!
2. "Bible n BBQ" Guess what's coming in October...that's right NCSY's most popular event! Bible n' BBQ! Starting Oct 2nd from 7:30-9! Bring your friends and enjoy dinner together, and learn some awesome Torah!

3. This Sukkot Chol Hamoed not sure what to do? NCSY has two great events you don't want to miss! Sunday, Sept 22nd- Six Flags
Monday, Sept 23rd- Hershey Park (there will be a bus from Highland Park) Great prices! Lots of fun!
For more info contact Rifky

@ hpchapteroftheyear@gmail.com!

NECHAMACOMFORT

Then entire Congregation is invited to a Parlor Meeting and Community Awareness Event to learn about an incredibly important organization, NechamaComfort. The event will take place Monday, Oct 14 at the Kreitman home at 8 PM sharp.

RPRY RAFFLE FOR JEWISH EDUCATION FOR 2013

RPRY is having its annual raffle to help support Jewish Education. Tickets are 1 @ \$36 or \$3 @ \$100. The grand prize is 2 tickets to Israel. The drawing is 10/8. Please see OT ticket sellers, Josh Caplan, Barry Siegel, Leeor Jerushalmy or Brian Dube. Thanks for your support of Jewish Education.

RPRY FUNDRAISING PROJECT

RPRY PTA is partnering with ShoeBox Recycling, a for-profit recycler of shoes. We are collecting used, but still wearable pairs of men's, women's and kid's shoes. The PTA earns some money as we recycle as many pairs of shoes as possible. Please drop off your used shoes at RPRY, placing them into the ShoeBox Recycling box that is located in the school lobby next to the office. Thank you and wishing you and your families a Happy and Healthy Sweet New Year.
Ariella Schachter -RPRY PTA President

ORTHODOX FORUM:

Navigating through Today's Dating Maze

The Orthodox Forum of Edison/Highland Park presents Dr. Efrat Sobolofsky on Saturday Night, Oct 5, 8:45 pm at Ohav Emeth on ways we can help those looking for their bashert. Dr. Efrat Sobolofsky is the Dir of YUConnects, a project of the Center for the Jewish Future (CJF) of Yeshiva University. She resides in in Bergenfield, NJ, with her husband Rabbi Zvi Sobolofsky, Rosh Yeshiva at Yeshiva University and Rabbi of Congregation Ohr HaTorah. The program is free of charge. The Orthodox Forum gladly accepts season sponsorships, as well as program sponsorships. For more info email hpedisonorthodoxforum@gmail.com.

MEKOR CHAIM/STEINSALTZ AMBASSADORS

Welcome to the new Mekor Chaim/Steinsaltz Ambassadors, Ariel Odes and Amichai Bauer, and join the entire community in a **Simchat Beit** Hosheava, the traditional Sukkot party that brings unity and joy, coordinated by the Mekor Chaim /Steinsaltz Ambassadors program and RPRY at the RPRY Sukkah on Tuesday, Sept 24, starting 6PM. Food, dancing, joy and happiness! All ages are welcome! Contact Rabbi Shmullie Greene at rabbishmullie@steinsaltz.org for more info and sponsorship opportunities

DONATE CHAI TO CNJKIDS

Please consider making a contribution of at least \$18 to CNJKIDS. Checks made payable to CNJKIDS may be sent to 611 S. 1st Avenue, Highland Park, NJ08904. To make a monthly or annual contribution to CNJKIDS, please donate online at www.cnjkids.org. Your contribution will be tax deductible to the extent permitted by law. E-mail any questions to cnjkids@gmail.com.

EMUNAH / HP ANNUAL GARAGE SALE DAY

Emunah is joining Highland Park for their annual township wide garage sale on Sunday, Oct 6 from 9AM to 6 PM. It will be held at Adrienne Orani's home, 292 North 5th Ave, Highland Park. Please look through your home and feel free to donate anything and everything to make this event a success. We are looking for all sorts of items including furniture, bicycles, glassware, dishes, picture frames, Judaica, etc... Now is the time to clean out your home of all those unwanted gifts and used items. For drop off info, which will begin after Sept 30, please call Sue Redlich at [732-558-4917](tel:732-558-4917). We welcome volunteers throughout the day. Please call Sue to be assigned a 2 hour time slot. Chessed hours can also be provided to students.

ACTI

(Achieving Change Through Torah) program, now in its 8th year, helps individuals succeed in making meaningful and lasting changes in their lives. The source book for the entire year is: Step by Step compiled by Rabbi Dovid Weinberger. See the

ACTT web-site, www.actt613.org, for the current Learning Schedule (Modules page) and for all the event audio presentations. For more info, e-mail info@actt613.org or call Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762.

VOLUNTEER FOR CNJKIDS

Every Jewish K-8 day school in our geographic area has an open invitation to partner with Central New Jersey Kehilot Investing in Day Schools, Inc. If you are interested in volunteering to help mitigate future tuition increases at local Jewish K-8 day schools that have agreed to partner with CNJKIDS, please send an e-mail with your name, e-mail address, and phone number to cnjkids@gmail.com.

BIKUR CHOLIM OF RARITAN VALLEY

-Bikur Cholim has received a donation of an adult powered wheelchair. We are looking for someone who can use it. If you are interested or know someone in need of a power wheelchair, please contact Sharon Glaser

at sharonnglaser@gmail.com

-Bikur Cholim is looking for men who are able to go to Robert Wood Johnson Hospital on Choham Sukkos to bring Arba Minim to the Jewish patients bedside. Bikur Cholim will supply the Arba Minim.

Anyone who is able to do this can contact Mrs.

Ronnie Shilcrat on (732) 690-7193 or by email

volunteers@bikurcholimrv.org.

NJ YACHAD SUPPORT GROUP

NJ Yachad, in partnership with the Jewish Federation of Middlesex County, is proud to offer a monthly parent support group for families who have children with special needs. For more info please contact Chani Herrmann at cherrmann@ou.org.

MA'AYANOT YESHIVA HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

Ma'ayanot Yeshiva High School for Girls invites all 8th grade girls and their parents to our Open House on Sunday, Oct 20th. Registration at 12:30 pm program to begin at 1 pm. You may pre-register on our website: www.maayanot.org. Please contact our Dir of Admissions, Mrs. Nina Bieler, at [201-833-4307](tel:201-833-4307), ext. 255 with any questions. Ma'ayanot is located at 1650 Palisade Ave in Teaneck, NJ.

FOR WOMEN

-- Mrs. Miri Cohen's ladies Parsha class will resume in the fall.

-Rebbitzen Eichenstein's classes for women only: Tefillah class and Parsha class will resume after the Yomim Tovim. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at [732-572-4408](tel:732-572-4408)

sieglmom@optonline.net, Ricki Stern [732-828-6939](tel:732-828-6939) rickistern@yahoo.com

-Mrs. Leah Drillman's Shimiras Haloshon class for women will resume after the Yomim Tovim. For more info, please call Ellen at [201-410-1893](tel:201-410-1893) or [732-777-6787](tel:732-777-6787).

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Debbie [732-572-4713](tel:732-572-4713).

- The Women's AMEN Group meets weekly on Sundays at 9:30 AM in a downstairs classroom at Congregation Ohr Torah. The group meets in the zechus of a refuah shelaimah for Menachem Mordechai ben Ophira and other Cholim in the community

-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 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 Rd, Edison. For more info, please see contact Aviva Siegel [732-572-4408](tel:732-572-4408) sieglmom@optonline.net

-Tiferes, a Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation program for women, will meet Motzai Shabbos, October 5 at 9:15 PM at the home of Aviva Siegel, 16 Edgemount Road, Edison. An inspirational DVD will be shown. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are also available to Tiferes members. For more information or to become a member, please contact Aviva sieglmom@optonline.net or Debbie Schneider [732-572-4713](tel:732-572-4713). The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom, Malky Herzig.

-If anyone has any type of account at UNITY BANK you can do an easy mitzvah. You can designate the PARK MIKVAH to get a small percentage in charity from the bank with their UCARE program. If you have any type of account (or are considering opening an account at UNITY BANK) please tell them that you wish to designate the PARK MIKVAH as your UCARE charity. You will not have money taken from your account, rather the bank gives a percentage to the charity. Please consider the PARK MIKVAH for this great mitzvah.

SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT GROUP

Please join (or refer a friend to) the Parent Support Group for parents of the children with special needs. This group is cosponsored by Yachad and the Jewish Federation of Middlesex County and is intended solely for parents of the

children with special needs. There is no fee and the group meets monthly on Sunday evenings. Please contact Emile Berk (emile.berk@gmail.com) for further details or to learn more.

EMPLOYMENT NETWORK OF RARITAN VALLEY

Looking for work? We can help. Go to www.ENRV.org or contact Bob Lansey at ENRVInfo@gmail.com. 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 ENRVInfo@gmail.com

PARK MIKVAH

The Edison / Highland Park Mikvah will be open Sunday – Thursday from 9-11pm. YOM TOV and Friday nights are by APPOINTMENT ONLY. Please make your appointment by 8:30pm the day before the chag. The remaining Saturday nights in September, the hours are 9:00pm - 11pm. You must arrive and leave during regular Mikvah hours. Fee is \$20. OUT OF HOURS: additional \$20. For additional info or to schedule an appointment, please call [732-249-2411](tel:732-249-2411). As we are preparing for our annual VIRTUAL TEA, if you are a new member to the community, or you have not received our mailings in the past, please email your address and phone number to the Park Mikvah at 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. 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.

Simchas Torah/Parshas Beresheis	
Candlelighting	6:28 PM
Mincha	6:35 PM

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PLEASE NOTE: Please make sure that you leave a contact/callback name and phone # in case here is a question regarding the item you wish to be printed, otherwise it may not be included.