



# Congregation Ohr Torah

## Weekly Announcements

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi

Russell Adler- President

*Parshas Vayishlach*

<b>Candlelighting:</b>	<b>4:12 PM</b>
<b>Mincha:</b>	<b>4:20 PM</b>
<b>Shacharis:</b>	<b>7:45, 9:00 &amp; 9:15AM</b>
<i>Rabbi Hoffman's Shiur after Hashkama</i>	
<b>Sof Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA):</b>	<b>9:27AM</b>
<i>Rabbi Luban's Sotah Shiur – 3:15 PM</i>	
<b>Mincha:</b>	<b>1:45 &amp; 4:05PM</b>
<i>Shalosh Seudos Speaker: R' Peretz Hochbaum</i>	
<b>Maariv:</b>	<b>5:15 PM</b>
<b>Weekday Shacharis:</b>	
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>7:15, 8 &amp; 9 AM</b>
<b>Mon. &amp; Thur</b>	<b>6:20, 7:05, &amp; 8 AM</b>
<b>Tue, Wed. &amp; Fri.</b>	<b>6:30, 7:10, &amp; 8 AM</b>
<b>Weekday Mincha/ Maariv:</b>	
<b>4:20 PM</b>	
<i>R. Luban's Sheilos Uteshuvas Shiur Mon.: 9:10 pm</i>	
<i>Rabbi Sauer's Daf Yomi Iyun Shiur – Sunday after 7:15 Shacharis</i>	
<i>Rabbi Billowitz' Halacha Shiur – Sunday after 8 AM Shacharis</i>	
<i>Kollel Learning: Weds. 8-10:10 PM</i>	
<b>Weekday Maariv</b>	<b>7:30 &amp; 10:10 PM</b>
<b>Daf Yomi Schedule:</b>	
Monday-Thursday - after 7:30 Maariv	
Friday-after Kabbolas Shabbos & Maariv	
Shabbos -8:15 AM & after Hashkama	
Sunday-after 8AM Shacharis	

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contact Mel Barenholtz by email:  
[mbarenh@yahoo.com](mailto:mbarenh@yahoo.com).

### SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos this week is sponsored by Mel Barenholtz:

- in commemoration of the Yahrzeit of his mother, Lillie, Charna Leah bas Aryeh Leib A"H and

- in commemoration of the Yahrzeit of Joel Adler's mother, Rose, Rochal Rivka bas Azriel Hirsch A"H.

To sponsor a Shalosh Seudos, please contact Moshe Wiesel.

### YOUTH EVENTS

-On Motzei Shabbat Dec. 13th at 6:15 PM sharp, Ohr Torah youth in grades 4 thru 8 are headed by school bus to the Arenas at Woodbridge (formerly United Skates of America) for a fun evening of roller skating. We will return to the Shul at 9:15 PM...cost is \$20 per child in advance or \$25 at the door. Price includes bus transportation to/from facility, 1 1/2 hour use of roller skating/blading rink, roller skate or blade rentals, 10 tokens per child for use at the arcade games in the arena and snacks/drinks at the facility.

- Save the date of Tuesday night Dec 23rd, the very last night of Chanukah, for Ohr Torah's Grand Zot Chanukah dinner and celebration. More details to follow. Please contact Mayer Berg via email [marcberg@verizon.net](mailto:marcberg@verizon.net). You can drop off checks at the home of Mayer Berg @15 Edgemount Rd in.

### SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

-Shlomo & Risha Schwartz in memory of Russell Adler's mother Marion Adler Z"L

-Bella and Henry Lerner in memory of Russell Adler's mother Marion Adler Z"L

-Bella and Henry Lerner in memory of Joel Adler Z"L

-Moshe & Susan Wiesel in memory of Bobbi Engel's mother Ethel Paltrowitz Z"L

### YAMIM NORAIM SHALIACH TZIBBOR

#### SEARCH COMMITTEE

We want to thank Billy Gewirtz for agreeing to chair the search committee and the following committee members: Josh Caplan, Shoshana Diskind, Larry Greenman, Lynn Hanfling, Sruli Hercman, Dena Lieblich, Danny Rosenblatt, Jonathan Teitelbaum and Shmilu Weiss. If anyone has any potential candidates, please contact Billy Gewirtz at

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[wgewirtz@att.net](mailto:wgewirtz@att.net) or any of the committee members. B'hatzlacha!

### HACHNASSET SEFER TORAH

Effy & Devora Zinkin and their children Tamar, Binyamin, Atara and Josh invite the community to join them next Friday, December 12, for a Hachnaset Sefer Torah starting at noon in Ohr Torah. Dancing will commence at 12:45 in a loop around Edgemount Rd, Celler Rd and Harrison Street. Children are welcome.

### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### HATZOLAH OF EDISON

Hatzolah of Edison is operational. If you have a medical emergency, please call 732-640-5545. Additionally, we are always seeking additional responders and dispatchers. To apply, please visit [www.hatzolahmc.org](http://www.hatzolahmc.org) and select "Contact us/Membership".

### AGUNOT UNCHAINED: CURRENT HALACHIC & PHILOSOPHICAL PERSPECTIVES

Come hear from the Av Bet Din of The International Bet Din for Agunot, Rabbi Simcha Krauss, as headlined in the "The Jewish Week". Chaim Saiman, Professor of Law, Villanova University, will discuss, "Evolution vs. Revolution in Jewish Law" and Rabbi Dr. Jeremy Weider, Rosh Yeshiva, Yeshiva University, will present, "A Response to the New Bet Din". A Yom Iyun on Dec 25 presented by the Orthodox Forum of Edison/ Highland Park will include all of this as well as a breakfast and lunch. The program follows the 8pm Minyan at Cong Ahavas Achim. The cost is \$20/person and registration by Dec 20 is required by emailing [hpedisonorthodoxforum@gmail.com](mailto:hpedisonorthodoxforum@gmail.com).

For more info about the Orthodox Forum, sponsorships or this program visit: [www.orthodoxjewishforum.org](http://www.orthodoxjewishforum.org).

### GIRLS PIZZA PARTY/COOKIE DECORATING

Whimsical Confections Is Coming To Town! Join Esty Hirsch, Brooklyn's finest cookie decorating instructor, as she gives an age-appropriate (hands on and all supplies included) class on the arts of cookie decorating! Pizza dinner from Jerusalem Pizza included! Taking place next Motzai Shabbos, Dec 13th, (7-8:30pm) in the RPRY gym at 2 Harrison St, Edison, for girls grades Primer-6. To register please drop off an \$18 check made payable to RPRY at the RPRY office no later than Tuesday, Dec 9th. Please also include the name(s) and grade(s) of child(ren) attending

#### NCSY

-Friday night NCSY will be having an Oneg at the Smulevitz home from 8-9:30.

-Registration for the New Jersey Winter Regional Shabbaton is still open with limited spots available! Sign up at [www.njncsy.org](http://www.njncsy.org). The Shabbaton will be 12/11-12/14 at the Hudson Valley Resort in New York. If you have any questions please contact Hadassah or Jeff Smulevitz at [973-461-9424](tel:973-461-9424) or [516-317-0647](tel:516-317-0647)

### FUTURE SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE

On Shabbos Chanukah Parshat Mikeitz December 19 and 20<sup>th</sup>, Ohr Torah is pleased to welcome Rav Simcha Hochbaum as our scholar-in-residence. Rav Simcha was a Talmud and musmach of Rav Shlomo z"l and currently teaches at Yeshivat Reishit and gives shiurim in many Yeshivot and seminars throughout Israel. In addition, Rav Simcha is the Director of Tourism for the Hebron Fund, and gives spiritual and uplifting tours of Chevron, the Old City and communities throughout Yehuda and Shomron. If anyone is interested in sponsoring this incredible Shabbat, please contact Brian Allen, Moshe Sherman or Srulee Hercman.

### HASHKAMAH KIDDUSH

Hashkamah Kiddush this week is being sponsored by Batsheva Schreiber in memory of the Yahrzeit of Bayrish Schreiber.

### KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week is sponsored by Mimi and Charlie Gershbaum:

- in memory of the Yahrzeit of Charlie's father Dr. Joseph Gershbaum, Shmuel Yosef ben Yechezkel A"H and

- in memory of the Yahrzeit of Joel Adler's mother, Rose, Rochal Rivka bas Azriel Hirsch A"H.

Kiddush sponsorship is available for Dec 27th and Jan 3rd, 24th & 31<sup>st</sup>. To sponsor a Kiddush or reserve the Kiddush room, please

**REMINDER: The emergency Defibrillators are located on the wall in the upstairs hallway and on the wall in the downstairs entry hallway.**

**PLEASE SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR MORE OHR TORAH INFORMATION**

### **BLOOD DRIVE**

On Sunday, Dec 14th, we will be holding our next community blood drive from 9 AM to 3 PM, at Cong Ahavas Achim, 216 S. First Ave., HP.

Babysitting will be available, and donors can be as young as 16 (with parental permission and meeting weight requirements). For further info, please contact Ira Rosen at [732-393-1018](tel:732-393-1018) or [ira\\_rosen@yahoo.com](mailto:ira_rosen@yahoo.com).

### **LOCAL TEAM YACHAD**

#### **VOLUNTEERS SCHEDULED TO PARTICIPATE IN HALF MARATHON**

A member of our Edison-HP community, Natalie Leichtman, is running her first-ever half-marathon with Team Yachad in Miami this January. She's training hard, and could really use your support. No amount is too small-even \$5 can get her that much closer to her goal. Sponsor her by going to [miami.teamyachad.com/runner/NatalieL](http://miami.teamyachad.com/runner/NatalieL).

### **BELLA'S HATS**

Sunday 12/21/14 11am TO 1PM AT 22 Celler Road. Hosted by Sarah Scott.

#### **THE 2<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL RARITAN VALLEY COMMUNITY POLAND PILGRIMAGE**

Join us this July 12-20, 2015 with Rabbi Shraga Gross for an uplifting, inspiring and unforgettable journey through hundreds of years of Jewish history and heritage. We will visit the cities of Warsaw, Krakow, Lodz and Lublin as well as the Chassidic centers of Gur and Lezajsk. We will also tell the story of the Shoah visiting Auschwitz, Majdanek, Belzec, and other moving and significant sites.

We wish to preserve the intimacy of this experience and so space will be limited. There will also be an opportunity to personalize the itinerary if requests are received early enough.

For more info contact: Nitza Adler at: [\(732\) 670-4649](tel:732-670-4649) or email [morahnitzta28@gmail.com](mailto:morahnitzta28@gmail.com)

### **FOR WOMEN**

-Women's Learning Initiative- An inspiring series on the deeper meaning of the Laws of Shmiras HaLashon will be given by Mrs. Leah Drillman. For more information and to join, please call Ellen Smith at [201-410-1893](tel:201-410-1893).

-Rabbi Bassous: class for women on Sunday morning at 10:00 AM at Cong. Etz Ahaim. Book to be studied: Battle Plan by Rebbeztzin Tziporah Heller and Sara Yocheved Rigler.

-Tiferes, a Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation program for women, will meet Motzai Shabbos, Dec 13 at 8PM at the home of Aviva Siegel, 16 Edgemount Rd, Edison. An inspirational DVD will be shown: "How Do I Know Hashem Loves Me?" with Rabbi Jonathan Rietti and Mrs. Tzippi Reifer. For more info or to become a member, please contact

Aviva [sieglmom@optonline.net](mailto:sieglmom@optonline.net). The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zeher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.

-Rabbi Weiss will be giving a weekly shiur for women on the Parsha with a focus on Emunah and Bitachon on Wednesday nights at 9:15 PM at the home of Marsha Eiserman home, 154 N. 10th Avenue, Highland Park.

-Rebbitzen Eichenstein's classes for women: No class on Sunday, December 7 and Monday, Dec 8. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at [732-572-4408](tel:732-572-4408) [sieglmom@optonline.net](mailto:sieglmom@optonline.net), Ricki Stern [732-828-6939](tel:732-828-6939) [rickistern@yahoo.com](mailto:rickistern@yahoo.com)

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-Mrs. Miri Cohen's Parsha class: Wednesday, Dec 10 at 9:15 AM at the home of Rikki Samel, 427 Dennison St, Highland Park. -SemPlus shiur for post seminary girls: For more info on Wednesday night class, please call [732-841-1885](tel:732-841-1885).

### **LOOKING FOR RPRY ALUMNI AND PAST PARENTS**

We are compiling an updated email database for all RPRY alumni and past parents so that we can share news and events. Please send your current information including name, year of graduation and email addresses to Didi at [deitcher.d@gmail.com](mailto:deitcher.d@gmail.com). Thank you for your help with this project.

### **BRURIAH MEMORIAL EVENT**

THIS Motsai Shabbos- December 6th! Charlie Harary at the JEC's Bruriah Campus at 8PM as keynote for annual Chaya Newman Memorial Gathering, on 'Tapping Into Your Inner Greatness'. Hundreds of alumni expected! Open to men & women. Presentation followed by gala Melave Malka. Suggested couvert \$10. Donor recognition reception with Charlie Harary at 7:30PM for donors of over \$360 and Young Alumni donors of over \$180, RSVP required for reception [alumni@thejec.org](mailto:alumni@thejec.org) <<mailto:alumni@thejec.org>> 908-355-4850, x6248. Bruriah High School - 35 North Avenue, Elizabeth, NJ 07208.

### **RTMA/BRURIAH**

JEC's Rav Teitz Mesivta Academy (RTMA) will host parlor meetings for prospective parents on the following date:

-Sun, Dec 7 at 7 PM in HP (at Shapiro home) There will also be a Shabbaton held for prospective students:

### **PLEASE SUPPORT JFS – BUY A RAFFLE:**

Jewish Family Service of Middlesex County is raising critical funds through the sale of cruise raffle tickets. This year's raffle prize is a 7-day cruise for two on a Celebrity Cruise Line ship to the destination of your choice, a \$2,500 value. Raffle tickets are \$36 each or three for \$100. The winner will be chosen on December 14, 2012. All proceeds support the agency's Kosher Meals on Wheels program and Holocaust Survivor Services. To purchase a ticket or tickets please contact Murray Katz at 732-985-7348 or [katzmurray@yahoo.com](mailto:katzmurray@yahoo.com).

### **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 [ENRVInfo@gmail.com](mailto:ENRVInfo@gmail.com). We post over 200 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 information to [ENRVInfo@gmail.com](mailto:ENRVInfo@gmail.com).

### **PARK MIKVAH**

The Highland Park Mikvah is extending its winter hours! For the months of December, January, and February, the mikvah will be open: Sunday – Thursday evenings from 7:00 PM – 10:00 PM; Friday nights by appointment only. Saturday nights in December and January 7:30 – 10:00 PM. Saturday night hours for the month of February to be announced. Please arrive with enough time to be out before closing time. For more information, call 732-249-2411 or email [hpmikvah@gmail.com](mailto: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. However, the Mikvah will be closed immediately upon the end of the Minyan as the Shul needs to be closed. Please leave the area clean and neat.

### **OHR TORAH NEWSLETTER**

To subscribe to these Announcements, please see the Ohr Torah website: [www.ohrtorah.net](http://www.ohrtorah.net)

### **BUILDING DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIES**

Contact Moshe Schneider at 732-618-4702 or at 8848 (cell), [reenagreenspan@yahoo.com](mailto:reenagreenspan@yahoo.com) or Gene Wasserman 732-397-0130 or [genew@compugene.com](mailto:genew@compugene.com) or [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 EitzChayim 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](mailto:siegeldad@optonline.net).

### **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 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](mailto:reenagreenspan@yahoo.com) or Gene Wasserman 732-397-0130 or [genew@compugene.com](mailto:genew@compugene.com)

### **YAHRZEIT DATABASE**

To register a family member in the Yahrzeit data base, please follow this link

<http://www.tinyurl.com/ot613> or speak with Ralph Dessau or Gene Wasserman.

### **E-MAIL LIST**

To get on the Ohr Torah e-mail list, please contact Gene Wasserman at [genew@compugene.com](mailto:genew@compugene.com).

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

### **Parshas Vayeshev**

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