

Congregation Ohr Torah Weekly Announcements

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban - Rabbi

21 Kislev 5775

Russell Adler- President

December 13, 2014

Parshas Vayeshev

Candlelighting: 4:13 PM
Mincha: 4:20 PM
Shacharis: 7:45 & 9:00 AM

Rabbi Hoffman's Shiur after Hashkama

Sof Z'man Krias Shma (G'RA): 9:32AN Rabbi Luban's Sotah Shiur – 3:15 PM

Mincha: 1:45 & 4:05PM

Shalosh Seudos Speaker:

Maariv: 5:15 PM

Weekday Shacharis:

Sun. 7:15, 8 & 9 AM
Mon. 6:17, 7:05, & 8 AM
Tue, 6:30, 7:10, & 8 AM
Weds.-Fri. (Chanukah) 6:12, 7:05 & 8AM
Note: Earliest Talis and Tefillin – Wed. 6:16, Th.

6:17, Fri., 6:18

Weekday Mincha/ Maariv: 4:20 PI

R. Luban's Sheilos Uteshuvos Shiur Mon.: 9:10 pm Rabbi Sauer's Daf Yomi Iyun Shiur – Sunday after 7:15 Shacharis

Rabbi Billowitz' Halacha Shiur – Sunday after 8 AM Shacharis

> Kollel Learning: Weds. 8-10:10 PM lay Maariv 7:30 & 10:10 PM

Weekday Maariv Daf Yomi Schedule:

Monday-Thursday - after 7:30 Maariv Friday-after Kabbolas Shabbos & Maariv Shabbos -8:15 AM & after Hashkama Sunday-after 8AM Shacharis

SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE-NEXT SHABBOS

Next Shabbos Chanukah Parshat Mikeitz December 19 and 20th , 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 seminaries 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, A contribution will be made to the Chevron fund from additional funds raised.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush this Shabbos is sponsored by Devora and Effy Zinkin in honor of Binyamin's Bar Mitzvah.

Kiddush sponsorship is available for Dec 27th and Jan 3rd, 24th & 31st. To sponsor a Kiddush or reserve the Kiddush room, please contact Mel Barenholtz in person, or by phone or email: mbarenh@yahoo.com.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is co-sponsored by:

-Fran and Shmully Leitman in memory of their brother Vel, Yaakov Zev ben Yehoshua's Yahrtzeit.

-Debby and Arthur Atlas in memory of the Yahrzeit of Arthur's mother, Belah Pereal bas Rav Shmuel Elchanan.

To sponsor a Shalosh Seudos, please contact Moshe Wiesel.

MAZEL TOV

...to Devora and Effy Zinkin on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Binyamin. Mazel Tov as well to his siblings Tamar, Atara and Josh, grandparents Dr. Aryeh & Shelly Zinkin, Albert & Helen Beim, and to the entire Zinkin and Gerszberg families.

...to Lorraine and Abe Schwartzbard on the birth of a son to their children Amy and Shmuel Farkas of Cedarhurst, NY.

...to Penny and Michael Kaplan on the Semicha of their son Jordan at Lander College. Mazel tov to his wife Shoshana and their son Shaya, to his grandmother Faye Baumfeld, and to his in-laws, Nitza and Russell Adler.

...to Smadar and Jerry Parness on the Semicha of their son Daniel at Lander College.

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.

- Tuesday night Dec 23rd, the last night of Chanukah, 6:30-9:00 pm - Ohr Torah's Grand Zot Chanukah dinner and Children's Chinese Auction. Children, parents & grandparents invited. Dinner: (mac/cheese, latkes & sufganiyot); Music, games, Ventriloquist/Magician/Puppet Show/Chinese Auction. OT members: \$10/person or \$36/family; Non-members: \$18/person or \$50/family;

For more information, or if you would like to be a sponsor for our Chanukah program please contact Mayer Berg via email at marcgberg@verizon.net. Checks can be dropped off at the Ohr Torah Shul mailbox @ 48 Edgemount Road in Edison or at the

home of Mayer Berg @15 Edgemount Road. Please write in the lower left hand corner of each check "OT Chanukah Celebration Sponsor".

THE RETIREE LUNCH AND ENJOY

Broadway Musicals: A Jewish Legacy examines the unique role of Jewish composers and lyricists in the creation of the modern American musical. The film showcases the work of legends such as Irving Berlin, Jerome Kern, George and Ira Gershwin, Lorenz Hart, Richard Rodgers, Oscar Hammerstein II, Leonard Bernstein, and Stephen Sondheim. This entertaining documentary mingles cultural history with illuminating perspectives on the origins and meanings of some of Broadway's most beloved songs, stories, and shows. The program will be orchestrated by Dr. Moshe Sherman, Teacher of Jewish history at Touro University. Rabbi Dr. Israel Rivkin will deliver the Chanukah D'var Torah. This program will include a light lunch in the Chanukah tradition from Jerusalem Pizza. It is open to all retirees in the community and will be a wonderful opportunity to socialize with each other in a meaningful way. There is a charge of \$10 per person to help defray the cost of the meal. Date: Tuesday, December 23, 2014, Time: 12:00 noon at OT. RSVP Bella blerner18@optonline.net 732 317-1786, Mildred 732 572-1712, or Marcia ppheffer@verizon.net 732 572-5998

THANK YOU

- Motty Schwartz would like to thank the entire community for their kindness and support during this most difficult time.
-It is with heartfelt gratitude that the family of Ethel Paltrowitz thanks those who supported us with sincere warmth, comfort, love & generosity during our difficult time. It means so very much - Bobbi Engel & family.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS 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

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

required by emailing hpedisonorthodoxforum@qmail.com . For more info about the Orthodox Forum, sponsorships or this program visit: 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 ageappropriate (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. No admittance without reservation and payment. Whimsical Connections is under reliable Kosher supervision (as per Rabbi Luban.)

RPRY SCHOLARSHIP FUND BREAKFAST

The annual Toby Mayer Memorial Scholarship Fund Breakfast will take place on Sunday, December 28 at 9:30 a.m.. This year's Educational Excellence Award will be presented to Mrs. Emily Menasha. The breakfast is the premier event of RPRY's annual scholarship fund campaign, which helps the Yeshiva continue its mission to provide a Jewish day school education to every Jewish child, regardless of the family's ability to pay. Your support is needed and appreciated, so please give generously. You can donate at RPRY.org or contact Yehuda Kohn at ykohn@rpry.org for more 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. For further info, please contact Ira Rosen at 732-393-1018 or ira rosen@yahoo.com.

LOCAL TEAM YACHAD VOLUNTEERSCHEDULED TO PARTICIPATE IN HALF MARATHON

A member of our Edison-HP community, Natalie Leichtman, is running a half-marathon with Team Yachad in Miami this January. Yachad, The National Jewish Council for Disabilities, promotes the inclusion of individuals with special needs in all aspects of Jewish life. Sponsor her by going to miami.teamyachad.com/runner/NatalieL

THE 2nd ANNUAL RARITAN VALLEY COMMUNITY POLAND PILGRIMAGE

After last year's great success.... Join us this July 12-20, 2015 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. Rabbi Shraga Gross will be joining us for this incredible journey.

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 or email morahnitza28@gmail.com

MTA PARLOR MEETING

MTA invites all parents of 8th grade boys to their Parlor Meeting on Sunday, December 14th at 8pm at the Caplan Residence, 336 North 8th Avenue, Edison NJ 08817. RSVP online at yuhsb.org/parlor

or call 732-509-0805

FOR WOMEN

-Rabbi Bassous: class for women on Sunday morning at 10:00 AM at Cong. Etz Ahaim. Book to be studied: Battle Plan by Rebbetzin Tziporah Heller and Sara Yocheved Rigler.
-Tiferes, a Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation program for women, will meet this 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. Tzippy Reifer. For more info or to become a member, please contact Aviva siegelmom@optonline.net. The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zecher 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 14. Parsha class on Monday, Dec 15. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at 732-572-

4408 <u>siegelmom@optonline.net</u>, Ricki Stern <u>732-</u>828-6939 rickistern@yahoo.com

-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 $\underline{201\ 410\ 1893}$.

-Mrs. Miri Cohen's Parsha class: Wednesday, Dec 10 at 9:15 AM at the home of Rikki Samel, 427 Dennison St, Highland Park.

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, 20124. 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.

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 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.

<u>PARK MIKVAH</u>

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@qmail.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

E-MAIL LIST: To get on the Ohr Torah e-mail list, please contact Gene Wasserman at genew@compugene.com .

BUILDING DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIES

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

genew@compugene.com or

mschneider19@yahoo.com.

TREE OF LIFE / 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.

<u>SEFORIM DEDICATIONS:</u> Book/Seforim Dedications of all types are available contact Barry Siegel <u>siegeldad@optonline.net</u>.

HOUSEKEEPING: For housekeeping issues and inquiries contact Lou Smith at ludeeju@qmail.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, <u>www.ohrtorah.net</u>, 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 or Gene Wasserman 732-397-0130 or genew@compugene.com

YAHRZEIT DATABASE: To register a family member in the Yahrtzeit data base, please follow this link http://www.tinyurl.com/ot613 or speak with Ralph Dessau or Gene Wasserman.

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

Parshas Miketz

Candlelighting Mincha 4:15PM 4:25PM

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