



# Congregation Ohr Torah

## Weekly Announcements

<http://www.ohrtorah.net>

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**Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi**

**Jeff Klein- President**

*Parshas Beshalach*

13 Shevat 5776

January 23, 2016

**Candlelighting:** 4:45PM  
**Mincha:** 4:55 PM  
**Shacharis:** 7:45, 9 & 9:15 AM

*Rabbi Hoffman's Halacha B'iyun shiur after Hashkama*

**Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A):** 9:42AM  
*Rabbi Luban's Taanis Shiur – 3:50 PM*

**Mincha:** 1:45 & 4:40 PM  
*Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Rabbi Tzvi Hoff*

**Maariv:** 5:50 PM

**Weekday Shacharis:**

**Sun.** 7:15, 8 & 9 AM

**Mon. & Thurs.** 6:20, 7:05, 8 & 9 AM

**Tues., Weds. & Fri.** 6:30, 7:10, 8 & 9 AM

**Weekday Mincha/ Maariv:** 4:50 PM

**Late Maariv:** 7:30 & 10:10 PM

*Rabbi Akiva Sauer Daf Yomi Iyun shiur – cancelled this week*

*R. Luban's Sheilos Uteshuvos Shiur- Mon. 9:10 PM*

*Tuesday Night Tehillim – 9:50- 10:10 PM*

*Kollel Learning: Wednesday 8-10:10 PM*

**Daf Yomi**

Shabbos- at 8:15 AM and one hour before Mincha

(No Daf Yomi after Hashkama)

Sunday-after 8 AM Shacharis

Monday-Thursday-after 7:30 PM Maariv

### **KIDDUSH**

Kiddush sponsorship is available for February 20<sup>th</sup> and March 5<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>.

### **SHALOSH SEUDOS**

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Faye and Dovid Moskovic in memory of the Yahrtzeit of Dovid's mother Rivka bat Dovid A"H.

### **SECURITY TRUSTEES**

Ohr Torah is looking for a few good men and/or women to serve on our planned security detail for Shabbos and Yom Tov. Volunteers would participate on a rotation of every 4-5 weeks for 1.5-2 hour shifts. There will be extensive training sessions for all volunteers prior to initiating the security details. Please contact Marc Hanfling, Yoel Schwartz, Asaf Shmuel, Matt Holland, or Jonathan Teitelbaum for further info.

### **OHR TORAH ANNUAL YOUTH RAFFLE**

Please help support Ohr Torah's youth groups by purchasing raffle ticket(s). The cost of the tickets is one for \$36, two for \$70, or 3 for \$100. The drawing will be held at the annual Shul Dinner on March 27th. Please contact Barry Siegel, Charlie Gershbaum, Jason Jurkevich or Mayer Berg to purchase tickets. All proceeds support the OT Youth programs.

### **BONE MARROW DRIVE**

Lisa Schanzer's mother needs a bone marrow transplant as soon as possible. She has teamed up with BeTheMatch Bone Marrow Registry to hold a drive on Feb 7<sup>th</sup> - 9AM-3PM at Cong. Ohr Torah. If you are at least

18 years old, please come and help save a life! SCREENING REQUIRES ONLY A CHEEK SWAB

### **MAZEL TOV**

... to Hinda and Barry Herman on the birth and Bris of a grandson Ephraim Alter. Mazel Tov to Ephraim Alter's parents Orit and Tzvi Herman, his siblings, Rena, Yechiel and Yakov, and to the entire Herman, Rosenthal and Respler families.

...to Michael Samel on his special birthday from the Fleischman Family in Baltimore. A donation has been made in his honor.

...Tzait'chem I'Shalom to Aviva Schreiber, who is making Aliyah on January 26.

### **CONG. OHR TORAH ANNUAL DINNER**

Please save the evening of March 27 for our Annual Dinner at which time we will have the opportunity to pay tribute to two very special couples, Henry and Sheila Schanzer and Ami and Bracha Avraham. Details to follow.

### **ENHANCING OUR TEFILLA EXPERIENCE**

Fully concentrate on the words and meaning of every Kaddish and respond appropriately with Amen, Brich Hu, and Yehei Shmei Rabbah. (The prophet Elijah said:) When the Jews enter their synagogues and yeshivas and respond "May His great Name be blessed," the Holy One Blessed be He nods His assent and says, "Happy is the King Who has such praise in His house" (Talmud Brachos 3a). One who replies "Yehei shmei rabbah..." can rest assured that he has a place in the Next World (Talmud Brachos 57a).

### **LOST AND FOUND**

On Shabbos morning, January 9th, my olive green Hart Schaffner Marks rain coat with a black collar was mistakenly taken from the coat room and another one was left behind. These coats are different sizes but look quite similar. Please check your closet and ask your Shabbos guests. Call Mike at [732-985-1002](tel:732-985-1002) to make the switch back.

### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **8<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL TU B'SHVAT FRUIT TASTING:**

Sunday, Jan 24th, following Maariv at 7PM at Rabbi Horowitz's Shteibel, 46 North 8<sup>th</sup> Ave, HP. Men and women are invited. For more info, please contact Mendel Eiserman [347-245-2549](tel:347-245-2549)

#### **RPRY MISHMAR**

RPRY Mishmar learning program is held at RPRY every Motzei Shabbat @ 7PM. Please bring your own Seforim. Cost is still only \$3.00 which includes, pizza, donuts, prizes and raffles

#### **AVOS UBANIM**

Avos Ubanim (father & son Motzei Shabbos learning) will take place in the Agudah every

Motzei Shabbos from 6:45 - 7:45. Every boy who attends will get a slice of pizza and a raffle ticket for a chance to win some great prizes. This program is absolutely free!!

### **SHLOSHIM FOR CHAIM KRAUS**

L'ilui Nishmas Chaim Yitzchok Ben Yisrael Dov Halevi A"H (the little boy tragically killed last week while walking to the Agudah), the Shloshim, which will take place on Zayin Adar Aleph, February 16th, is being commemorated with the learning of Mishnayos. Please use the link below to add your name to the list. If all Mishnayos are already taken, please add your name in the adjacent columns, as the Mishnayos can be completed multiple times to increase Chaim's zechusim. If you have any questions, you can contact [penina.kraus@gmail.com](mailto:penina.kraus@gmail.com).

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1QmvzhtJtWh9rQeH6N4DGvSibVtUuBQ4RGD6xDBx-rqQ/edit?usp=sharing>

### **RESERVE THE DATE**

NORPAC Washington mission May 18, 2016.

### **ACTT**

ACTT: "The Secret to More Powerful Prayer" with Rabbi Heshy Kleinman can be downloaded from the Audio page of the ACTT web site at: [www.actt613.org/6.html](http://www.actt613.org/6.html). The current ACTT module is "Kavanah during Davening". Source book: *Praying with Meaning* by Rabbi Kleinman. For more info on ACTT, email [info@actt613.org](mailto:info@actt613.org), see [www.actt613.org](http://www.actt613.org), or call Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762.

### **KHAL CHASSIDIM GUEST SPEAKER**

The renowned Rabbi Dovid Gottlieb of Ohr Somayach in Jerusalem will be lecturing in our community at Khal Chassidim on Tuesday, Feb. 16th, at 8:30PM, followed by Maariv at 9:30PM.

### **JEC ALUMNI NETWORK MELAVA MALKA**

The JEC Alumni Network proudly invites everyone to its 4th annual Melava Malka honoring Bruriah's late principal, MRS. CHAYA NEWMAN, A"H. World-renowned guest speaker RABBI JONATHAN RIETTI will be giving a presentation. Bruriah High School, 35 North Ave. Elizabeth. SATURDAY, FEB 13<sup>TH</sup>, 8:30PM (Motzei Shabbos Teruma)

### **BIKUR CHOLIM**

-Save the date! Bikur Cholim Annual Event Sunday March 6<sup>th</sup> - Pines Manor at 9:30AM. Guests of honor: Dr. Barry and Mrs. Susan Wolf. Guest speaker: Rabbi Eli Mansour

-BIKUR CHOLIM: VISITORS WANTED--Bikur Cholim is seeking volunteers to visit Mollie Reuben, Esther Tucker, and Shirley Cohen at the Regency nursing home on DeMott Lane. If you are able to help out, please call Rahel Baruh at [732-672-4673](tel:732-672-4673) or email [rbaruh@yahoo.com](mailto:rbaruh@yahoo.com). Tizku l'mitzvot!

-COORDINATORS AND DRIVERS NEEDED FOR BIKUR CHOLIM TRANSPORTATION: The Bikur Cholim Transportation Committee coordinates rides to and from medical appointments. The coordinator matches requesters with an available driver. Each coordinator serves for two weeks at a time. To volunteer to coordinate or drive, contact

**REMINDER: Emergency Defibrillators are located on the upstairs wall hallway & the entry hallway downstairs wall. CHEVRA HATZOLAH OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY 732-640-5545**

**First aid kits are available in the President's Shtender in the main Shul and in the back room of the kitchen.**

the Bikur Cholim hotline at (732) 572-7181 or fill out the volunteer form on the website [bikurcholimrv.org](http://bikurcholimrv.org).

#### **ORTHODOX FORUM**

The Orthodox Forum of Highland Park and Edison presents Sharon Freundel on, "TEACH: Torah Education for All Children", exploring paradigms for inclusion of diverse learners in Jewish Education. She is currently the Director of Hebrew and Judaic Studies at the Jewish Primary Day School of the Nation's Capital and teaches adult Jewish education classes throughout the Greater Washington, DC, area. The program will take place on Saturday night, Jan 30<sup>th</sup> at 8pm at Cong. Ahavas Achim

#### **FUNDRAISERS**

-Lawrence Margolin is raising money for children on the autistic spectrum via Lose4Autism contest. Lawrence is aiming to lose 40 pounds (over an 88 day period) and to raise \$2,500. To donate, go to <http://www.lose4autism.org/my/lawrencemargolin> or contact Lawrence directly at 732-690-2350.  
-Elie Salomon, is running in a half marathon in Disneyworld at Orlando on Feb 21<sup>st</sup> to raise money and awareness for a very special organization she helped found, Yesh Tikva. Yesh Tikva (a 501c3) was established in 2015 to combat the loneliness of couples facing infertility and to create a Jewish Community of support. Please drop a check off at her home: 329 No Fifth Ave, Edison, NJ 08817, or donate thru her fundraising website: <https://www.youcaring.com/yesh-tikva-478448>  
For more info about Yesh Tikva, please visit their website: [www.yeshtikva.org](http://www.yeshtikva.org) or call Eli at 917-312-2929

YACHAD Fundraiser-Prupis Please support me as I run in the Jerusalem marathon for Team Yachad. You can follow the link below to contribute, or make a check payable to YACHAD and mail/drop off by Prupis, 30 Edgemount Rd, Edison. <https://jerusalem.teamyachad.com/runner/binyamin88>

#### **RABBI WEISS' SHIUR FOR MEN & WOMEN**

Rabbi Yisroel Weiss' shiur for men and women on the Parsha, with a focus on Emunah and Bitachon, will be held on Wednesday nights at 8:30PM. This Wednesday, Jan 27, shiur will be at the **Eiserman's residence**, 154 North 10<sup>th</sup> Ave.

#### **SHIUR FOR MEN:**

Shovavim Project presents a two part review Shiur on Halachos of Taharas Hamishpacha to be given Wed, Feb. 10, and Wed, Feb. 17, at 8PM by Rabbi Steven Miodownik at Cong Ahavas Achim. All married men welcome. For more info, please contact Lynn Hanfling [dodcdad@aol.com](mailto:dodcdad@aol.com)

#### **EMUNAH EVENT**

Sharon Hayden will be hosting a cooking class in her home on Sunday, Feb 21<sup>st</sup> at 7pm. Entire donation of \$18 will be forwarded directly to EMUNAH. Please make your reservation as early as possible by contacting Pauline Mykoff at 732-572-0457.

#### **FOR WOMEN**

-A weekly discussion for women on the Parsha of the week based on the essays of Rabbi Adin Steinsaltz and led by Steinsaltz Ambassador, Betzael Strauss, will continue to meet on Mondays at 1PM at AA. All women are invited.

Questions? [cynthiaandlloyd@yahoo.com](mailto:cynthiaandlloyd@yahoo.com)

-Tiferes DVD for women: Motzai Shabbos, Jan. 30 at 8:30PM at the Siegel house. *The teleconferences are FREE to all women this month!* 212-444-9898. Pin # 5775. For more info, please contact Aviva [siegelmom@optonline.net](mailto:siegelmom@optonline.net).

The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zeher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.

Women's Learning Initiative: Mrs. Miri

Cohen's Parsha class meets Thursday

at 10AM sharp at Riki Samel's house. Call

hotline to confirm at 206-666-8911.

SemPlus evening shiur for post seminary girls meets on Sunday evenings. Please call the hotline to confirm at 732-841-1885.

Mrs. Leah Drillman's Shimiras Haloshon class: Monday, Jan. 25 at 7:30PM at the home of Janet Rivenson, 19 Price Dr, Edison. For more info, please call Ellen at 201-410-1893 or 732-777-6787.

Rebbitzin Eichenstein's classes for women: No classes on Sunday, Jan. 24 and Monday, Jan. 25; For more info, please contact Aviva at 732-572-4408 or [siegelmom@optonline.net](mailto:siegelmom@optonline.net).

-After the resounding success of the Rebbitzin Sima Spetner parenting workshops this past summer, the YST PTA is proud to present "The Science of Parenting from a Torah Perspective" by Rebbetzin Ruthi Lynn, a renowned expert in the field, specially trained and highly recommended by Rebbetzin Sima Spetner. A sample class can be accessed at: <https://drive.google.com/open?id=0B6CKN9Wv4ZCAYIVGV19pTG8yS00>

-The Edison/Highland Park gown Gemach, L'iluy Nishmas R' Yitzchok Ben Binyomin, is open for business! The Gemach houses a wide selection of gowns for children, pre-teen, teens and adults. Please note the Gemach is still looking for donation of gowns in very good condition. Tax deduction is given and pick up of the gowns can also be arranged. For more info and/or to schedule an appt please call Sara Scott at 516-526-0941.

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

-Bikur Cholim OWLS (Overnight Women Labor Support): A complimentary service for maternity situations whereby volunteers will come to stay with your kids during the night. For more info on receiving this service or becoming a volunteer, please contact Rikki at 732-249-5116. Thank you.

#### **PARK MIKVAH EVENT**

Save the date! Cooking demonstration and food tasting with Victoria Dwek, Managing Editor of Ami's Whisk Magazine and author of many cookbooks in the "Made Easy" and "Secret Restaurant" series, to benefit the Park Mikvah. Motzei Shabbos, Feb 6<sup>th</sup>, at 8:15PM at home of Yael Kamelhar, 22 Perry Rd. For women only. Cost of event is \$25. Space is limited. To make a reservation, please email Esther Posen at [eposen@optonline.net](mailto:eposen@optonline.net). For more info, please call Lynn Hanfling at 732-777-0225.

#### **HIGHLAND PARK MIKVAH HOURS**

The Highland Park Mikvah hours for Standard Time: Sunday-Thursday evenings 8PM - 10:30 PM; Friday nights by appt only. Motzei Shabbos in January: 7:30 - 10PM. Please arrive with enough time to be out before closing time. **In case of a snow storm / inclement weather, please call**

**the mikvah at 732-249-2411 for an updated status.** For more info, call 732-249-2411 email [hpmikvah@gmail.com](mailto:hpmikvah@gmail.com).

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

**KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP:** To sponsor a Kiddush or reserve the Kiddush room, please contact Mel Barenholtz by email: [mbarenh@yahoo.com](mailto:mbarenh@yahoo.com).

**SHALOSH SEUDOS SPONSORSHIP:** To sponsor a Shalosh Seudos, please contact Moshe Wiesel.

**BUILDING DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIES** Contact Moshe Schneider at 732-618-4702.

**TREE OF LIFE / 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 contact Barry Siegel [siegeldad@optonline.net](mailto:siegeldad@optonline.net).

**HOUSEKEEPING:** For housekeeping issues and inquiries contact Lou Smith at [ludeeju@gmail.com](mailto:ludeeju@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 go to [ohrtorah.net](http://ohrtorah.net) and click "Register for OT Yahrzeit Notification" or speak with Ralph Dessau or Gene Wasserman.

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

#### **Shabbos Yitro**

Candlelighting:	4:53PM
Mincha:	5:00PM

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