

Congregation Ohr Torah Weekly Announcements

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi

Jeff Klein- President

Parshas Ki Tisa
Candlelighting:

5:27PM 5:35 PM

Mincha: Shacharis:

7:45, 9 & 9:15 AM

Rabbi Hoffman's Halacha B'iyun shiur after Hashkama

Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A): 9:22AI

Rabbi Luban's Taanis Shiur – 4:15 PM

Mincha: 1:45 & 5:05 PM NOTE EARLIER TIME FOR RABBI'S SHIUR

AND MINCHA

Speaker (after Shalosh Seudos in main shul

~ 5:50 PM): Rabbi Sariel Malitzky Maariv: 6:30 PM

Weekday Shacharis:

Sun. 7:15, 8 & 9 AM
Mon. & Thurs. 6:20, 7:05, & 8 AM
Tues., Weds. Fri. 6:30, 7:10 & 8 AM
Wookday Mincha / Maariy: 5:35 BM

Weekday Mincha/ Maariv: 5:35 PM Late Maariv: 7:30 & 10:10 PM

Rabbi Akiva Sauer Daf Yomi Iyun shiur – after 7:15 Shacharis on Sunday

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

Friday night-after Maariv Shabbos -8:15AM & after Hashkama Sunday-after 8AM Shacharis Mon-Thurs-after 7:30 Maariv

KIDDUSH

Kiddush is co-sponsored by David Callen in honor of Nadav's Bar Mitzvah, and the Adler and Kaplan families to celebrate the Brissim of their grandsons.

Kiddush sponsorship is available for March 19^{th} & 26^{th} and April 9th & 16^{th} .

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Dr. Ted Stahl in memory of the Yahrtzeit of his wife Dr. Eva Stahl, Chava bas Dov.

CONG. OHR TORAH ANNUAL DINNER

Please join us on March 27, 5:30pm at the Rutgers Chabad House in New Brunswick, as we honor two very special couples, Sheila & Henry Schanzer and Bracha & Ami Avraham. This year, for the very first time, you can reserve, place your ad and pay entirely online at www.ohrtorah.net/dinner. Dinner Chairs: Noa & Judah Elbaum Aviva & Erez Shimoni

Journal Chairs: Hinda & Barry Herman

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.

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MAZEL TOV

... to Anna and Charles Plittman on the birth of a daughter to their children Yael and Yosef Plittman in Israel.

...to Rachel Callen and David Callen on the Bar Mitzva of their son Nadav Yechezkel. Mazel Tov to the grandparents living in Yerushalayim, Rabbi Aryeh and Zahava Strikovsky and Dr.'s Jeffrey and Mindy Callen, to his newly engaged sister Batchen and fiancé Benjamin Kaplan, his brothers Itay and newly appointed officer in IDF – Amiad.

...to Nitza and Russell Adler and Penny and Michael Kaplan on the birth of twin boys to their children, Shoshana and Jordan Kaplan. Mazel tov to the great-grandparents, Mrs. Fay Baumfeld and Mr. and Mrs. Kalman Shiloni, to big brother Shaya, and to the entire extended Adler, Kaplan, Klerer and Broder families. The Shalom Zachor will IY"H be held at the home of Sari and Michie Klerer 16 Celler Rd, at 8:45PM. The Brissim will be following the 9AM Minyan on Shabbos. ...to Riki and Robert Kreitman on the birth of a son to their children Aliza and Benjy Kreitman. Mazel Tov to the entire Kreitman and Schanzer families.

LUNCH AND LEARN

"The Golden Age of Second Avenue", a film about the Yiddish theatre at the turn of the century, will be presented on Wednesday March 9 at 12 noon. Mrs. Harriet Gersten will introduce the film and Gene Wasserman will present a Dvar Torah. Cost is \$10 per person.

ENHANCING OUR TEFILLA EXPERIENCE

The Hebrew word for Jew, Yehudi, means "one who gives thanks." So, ignite your essence as a Jew and give thanks to Hakadosh Baruch Hu for everything He does and gives to us, including what we sometimes take for granted such as breathing. Pay particular attention to the parts of the davening where we express our gratitude to Hashem. Daven those tefillos with extra kayanah, concentration, such as Modim, Hodu, Mizmor L'Todah, etc. Throughout the day, get into the habit of recognizing Hashem's goodness and thanking Him with your own personal prayers - Hodu LaShem Ki Tov Ki L'Olam Chasdo; Thank Hashem for He is good, His loving-kindness is forever.

ASSISTANT RABBI PROBEH

We are honored to have Rabbi Sariel Malitzky joining us for Shabbos.

February 27, 2016

Rabbi Malitzky graduated high school from MTA and spent a year and half learning in Israel at Yeshivat Ohr Yerushalayim before attending Yeshiva University where he received his BA in Marketing. He received his rabbinic ordination from Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary in 2008.

In addition to being a guest speaker at rabbinic conventions and shuls, his main focus has been as a Rebbe and assistant director of recruitment at Torah Academy of Bergen County where he has taught since 2007.

He also founded and continues to direct Camp Slapshots, a sports day camp with over 200 elementary school boys. He is married to Dr. Susan (Shoshi) Malitzky, a pediatrician. They have 5 children ages 11, 7, 5, 3, and 1.

The schedule for Shabbos is as follows (Note changes in schedule):

Rabbi Malitzky will be speaking at Hashkamah, YFM and the Main Minyan on Shabbos morning. Kiddush to follow. Mincha will be at 5:05PM (note earlier time) followed by Seudah Shlishis. At 5:50PM, Rabbi Malitzky will speak in the main shul on the topic Lessons from a Mute.

On Motzei Shabbos there will be a Q&A session and "get to know you" in the main shul at 7:45PM. Refreshments to follow. We strongly encourage everyone to attend as many of these events as possible to get to know this wonderful candidate!

CHECK OUT THE OFFICE!

Congregation Ohr Torah welcomes 2 new major additions to the OT office. A beautiful new bookcase was installed, and the new and innovative Mesivta Shas was placed on the bookshelves. Thank you to Nitza and Russell Adler for dedicating the bookcase. Thank you to Lorraine and Ira Spiler, and Sarah and Tzvi Spiler for dedicating the 135 volume Mesivta Shas. Thank you to Barry Siegel for his help on this project.

YOUTH EVENTS

-On Sunday March 13th at 2:00 PM Cong. Ohr Torah will be going by school bus from the Shul to the Big Apple Circus located in a heated tent adjacent to TD Bank Ballpark in Bridgewater, NJ. We will return to the Shul at 5:30 PM. This program is for children and parents. All children six and under must be accompanied by an adult. The all new show is entitled "The Grand Tour - A Circus Extravaganza!" The show runs 1 hour and 50 minutes including a 20-minute

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intermission. Our seats are in the back of the center ring with an amazing view of all 100+ performances. Cost is \$30 per person including transportation for all reservations made in advance. On the day of the event, the price goes up to \$35 per person. Max \$100 per family.

-On Wednesday night March 23rd, Ohr Torah has a grand celebration being planned for Purim night. There will be shows and entertainers starting promptly at 7:45 pm lasting until 9:15 pm in the YFM room and classrooms. More details in next week's announcements.

To make a reservation for The Big Apple Circus please send an email to Mayer Berg at marcgberg@verizon.net. Please include names and phone numbers for all attendees. In addition, checks can be dropped off at the home of Mayer Berg @ 15 Edgemount Road in Edison or in the Shul mailbox @ 48 Edgemount Road in Edison, NJ (please note on the check the specific OT youth event that you are paying for).

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS RPRY COMMUNITY BASKETBALL GAME

Please join RPRY's 7th/8th Grade Boys' and Girls' basketball teams for a Community Basketball Game vs HP Middle School teams at the HP Middle School gym (330 Wayne St HP, NJ) on Tues, March 1st. Girls game 6PM; Boys game 7:30PM. Optional donation of \$2 for students/seniors and \$3 for adults. Donations will be split 50/50 to benefit both schools' athletic programs. In addition, please bring a nonperishable food item donation to the Highland Park Food Pantry. Please contact Josh Fine at finejoshhp@qmail.com for any additional info or questions

FRIENDS OF THE ISRAELI DEFENSE FORCES

"From Israel's Front Lines: A Conversation with IDF Soldiers". Wed March 16th 7:30PM at a private home in East Brunswick. RSVP- Cara Chernin@fidf.org or 646-274-9646

NORPAC MISSION

Join us on our annual Mission to Washington to support the U.S.-Israel relationship on Wednesday, May 18th. Buses leave for Washington from our area 6:30 AM and return between 9-10 PM. There will be briefings on the bus. All meals provided. Register now for the early bird discount: 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). For more info contact Marc Hanfling docdad@aol.com Neer Even-Hen, Yosef Schreiber or Barry Wolf. Early Bird Discount ends Feb. 28th!

BIKUR CHOLIM

- ANNUAL EVENT: Bikur Cholim of Raritan Valley Annual Event will be held on Sunday, March 6th at 9:30AM at the Pines Manor, 2085 Route 27, Edison. Guests of Honor: Dr. Barry & Susie Wolf; Keter Shem Tov: Doron & Sari Shalmon. Gomlei Chessed Awardees are the Hotline Coordinators: Bonnie Borck, Dawn Botnick, Pearl Dolinger, Toby Eleff, Raizy Krauss, Tammy Nussbaum, Debbie Schneider, and Mina Tiefenbrunn. Guest speaker: Rabbi Eli Mansour. Dairy buffet brunch will be served; Birkat Hamazon at 11:30 AM. Couvert \$50 per person; Complimentary Babysitting.

- NURSING HOME VISITATION: Seeking volunteers to visit Mollie Reuben, Esther Tucker, and Shirley Cohen and others at the Regency nursing home on DeMott Lane in Somerset. For more info or an updated list of residents requesting visitors, please call Rahel Baruh at 732-672-4673 or email rbaruh@yahoo.com
- TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE: Drivers and coordinators needed. Coordinate rides to and from medical appointments match requesters with an available driver. Each coordinator serves for two weeks at a time. To volunteer to coordinate or to drive, please call Bikur Cholim hotline at 732-572-7181 or fill out the volunteer form on the websitebikurcholimrv.com

THE PRIME MINISTERS PART 2: SOLDIERS AND PEACEMAKERS, THE MOVIE

The Orthodox Forum of Highland Park and Edison presents the documentary film, "The Prime Ministers Part 2: Soldiers and Peacemakers". Based on the bestselling and award-winning book, The Prime Ministers, by Ambassador Yehuda Avner, the film follows the experiences of Ambassador Avner during the years he worked for Prime Ministers Yitzhak Rabin and Menachem Begin. The program will take place on Saturday, Feb 27th at 8pm at Cong Etz Ahaim. The movie is free of charge, however, the Orthodox Forum gladly accepts season sponsorships, as well as program sponsorships. For more info go online to www.orthodoxjewishforum.org.

PURIM CARDS FROM THE KINDER (CHILDREN'S) FUND

The Kinder Fund in memory of Dina Eisner, a"h, (formerly The Children's Fund) is selling Purim Mishloach Manos cards for \$2.00 each. The cards are perfect to send to all friends & relatives. All proceeds from the sale enable The Kinder Fund to help subsidize needed services for many local children. To obtain cards, contact Tova Josefovitz at 732.572.9432, Shoshana Diskind at 732.572.7755, Lani Eisner at 732.572.1087 or Janice Lustiger at 732.819.4919 or e-mail your request to thekinderfund@gmail.com.

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, Betzalel Strauss, continues to meet Mondays 1PM at AA. All women are invited. Questions? cynthiaandlloyd@yahoo.com

- Tiferes DVD for women: Motzai Shabbos, March 12 at 9:15 PM at the Siegel house. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are also available to Tiferes members. Current teleconference: "How Old are You?" Speaker: Mrs. Mindy Blumenfeld. For more info or to become a member, contact Aviva siegelmom@optonline.net. The HP / Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.
- Mrs. Miri Cohen's Parsha class: Thursdays 10AM sharp at Riki Samel's house. Call the hotline to confirm at 206-666-8911.
 SemPlus evening shiur for post seminary girls
- meets on Sunday evenings. Call hotline to confirm at 732-841-1885.
- Rebbitzen Eichenstein's classes for women: Tefillah class Sunday, Feb. 28 at 10AM at Aguda shul; No class Mon, Feb. 29. For more info, Aviva at 732-572-4408 or siegelmom@optonline.net
- Women's beginning Israeli Dancing: Class resumes on Sunday, Feb 28, at 11AM.

HIGHLAND PARK MIKVAH HOURS

The Highland Park Mikvah hours for Standard Time: Sun-Thurs evenings 8PM – 10:30 PM; Friday nights by appointment only. All Motzai Shabbos in February: 7:45 – 10:15PM; Motzai Shabbos March 5, 12: 8:15 – 10:45PM. 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 updated status.*

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

<u>KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP:</u> To sponsor a Kiddush or reserve the Kiddush room, please contact Mel Barenholtz by email: mbarenh@yahoo.com.

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

BUILDING DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIESContact 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.

HOUSEKEEPING: For housekeeping issues and inquiries contact Lou Smith at 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, <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

<u>YAHRZEIT DATABASE</u>: To register a family member in the Yahrzeit data base, please go to <u>ohrtorah.net</u> 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 Vayakhel

Candlelighting: Mincha: 5:35PM 5:45PM

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