

# **Congregation Ohr Torah Weekly Announcements**

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban - Rabbi

### Jeff Klein- President

### Rabbi Sariel Malitzky - Assistant Rabbi

April 29, 2017

Parshas Tazria-Metzora

Plag Mincha: 6:00 PM Candlelighting: 7:32 PM Mincha: 6:45 & 7:40PM Shacharis: 7:45, 9:00 & 9:15 AM

Rabbi Hoffman's Halacha B'iyun Shiur after Hashkama

Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A): 9:27AM Rabbi Luban's Taanis Shiur - 6:35 PM

Rabbi Malitzky's Shiur for 6-8 grade boys-after Mincha

Shabbos Afternoon Kollel Mincha: 6:00PM Mincha: 1:45 & 7:25PM

Shalosh Seudos speaker: Zev Saffer Maariv:

Shabbos Ends: 8:42 PM

Weekday Shacharis

7:15, 8 & 9AM Mon. & Thur 6:20, 7:05, & 8 AM Tues. Wed & Fri. 6:30, 7:10, & 8 AM

Weekday Mincha/ Maariv: 7:40 PM **Late Maariv:** 10:10 PM

#### **SHIURIM**

Rabbi Luban's Monday night Shiur - Monday

Daf Yomi Iyun Shiur with Rabbi Sauer - after 7:15 AM Shacharis on Sunday

#### Daf Yomi

Shabbos- one hour before Mincha Sunday-after 8am Shacharis Monday -Thursday-after Zman Maariy Friday night -after Kabollas Shabbos

### YFM KIDDUSH

This week's YFM Kiddush is co-sponsored by Hinda and Barry Herman in memory of Barry's father, Yaakov Ben Yitzchok Dov. A"H, and Erez and Aviva Shimoni in memory of Erez's mother, Miriam Rivka Bas Mordechai Dov Hakohen, A"H.

### **KIDDUSH**

Kiddush sponsorship available for May 20<sup>th</sup>, June 10<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>.

#### **SHALOSH SEUDOS**

Shalosh Seudos this week is sponsored by Lori & Leslie Ney and Eva Weisz in memory of the Yahrzeit of Leslie's and Eva's mother, Margit Ney, Perel bas Yitzchok, A"H. YOM HA'ATZMAUT CELEBRATION AT OT

OT will celebrate Shabbat Yom Ha'atzmaut, on the weekend of May 6, Parshat Achrei Mot-Kedoshim. Joining us will be Lieutenant Colonel (Res.) Rabbi Yedidya Atlas, the rabbi of the IDF's Ground Forces Command and head of special projects of the IDF Chief Rabbinate. He is in a unique position to shed some light on a wide array of subjects pertaining to the IDF, in particular from a religious perspective. We will also enjoy a beautiful davening from our Chazzan Yitz Henkin. Enjoy our annual Yom Ha'atzmaut

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Kiddush! Become a sponsor of the Shabbat, for \$36, by contacting Susie or Barry Wolf (susiezwolf@gmail.com), Riki or Robert Kreitman (riki.kreitman@gmail.com), Barry Siegel (siegeldad@optonline.net), or Yoel Schwartz (jkschwartz@optonline.net). This year we are looking for photos of Israel

- not pictures of your families, just pictures of Israel's beauty - scenery, historic spots, and of course, Israeli flags in beautiful locations. Email them

to <a href="mailto:susiezwolf@gmail.com">susiezwolf@gmail.com</a>. We'll print them and frame them for our Yom Ha'atzmaut Kiddush. Include where the photo was taken and who shot it.

### **MAZEL TOV**

... to Rabbi & Mrs. Shlomo Ziegler & to Mr. & Mrs. Milton Nussbaum on the birth of a son to their children, Yonatan & Atara. ...to Donny and Sigal Epstein on the birth of a son. Mazel Tov to grandparents, Hon. Mark and Mira Epstein, Dr Paul Neustein and Randi Feinberg, and to great grandmother Betty Feinberg and great grandfather Dr. Charles Neustein, and to the extended Epstein, Neustein, Feinberg and Smith families. The Shalom Zachor will be in the Shul Friday night at 9:15pm and the Bris will be in Shul Wednesday after the 8:00 AM Minyan.

...to Shoshana and Brian Allen on the birth of a daughter, Aviya Sarah, born to their children Talia and Reuven Kirshner in Jerusalem. Mazel Tov also to the great grandparents Rochelle and Ralph Dessau and Florence and Manny Allen, and to all of the aunts, uncles and cousins.

...to Debby & Arthur Atlas and Chani & Eli Wiesel on being honored at this year' Congregation Ohr Torah Dinner.

**CONG. OHR TORAH ANNUAL DINNER** Please join us this Sunday, April 30, 5:30pm

at the Rutgers Chabad House as we honor two very special couples: Debby & Arthur Atlas and Chani & Eli Wiesel.

### **LUNCH AND LEARN**

The Retiree Lunch and Learn Presents It Is No Dream: The Life of Theodor Herzl Special Yom Ha'atzmaut Program. It is No Dream examines the life and times of Theodor Herzl, who was responsible for creating the political movement that led in 1948 to the founding of our own Jewish state, Israel. Introduction by Dr. Moshe Sherman, Professor at Touro University. The D'var Torah will be presented by Max Wisotsky.

Program open to all retirees in the community and offers a wonderful

opportunity to socialize with each other in a meaningful way. Our luncheon will be one in which we will partake of Israeli Cuisine. Come hungry. There will be a charge of \$10 per person to help defray the cost of the Date: Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> Cong Ohr Torah, 48 Edgemount Rd, Edison, NJ ..... Time: 12 noon RSVP Please reply at least 2 days prior to the program. Bella <u>blerner18@optonline.net</u> 732 317-1786, Mildred 732 572-1712, or

### Marcia ppheffer@verizon.net 7325725998 **SEFORIM DONATIONS**

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

- -Michael & Penny Kaplan in memory of Sharon Hirt's father David Singer Z"L
- -Moshe & Susan Wiesel in memory of Sharon Hirt's father David Singer Z"L
- -Al & Lynn Rappaport in memory of Paul Pheffer Z"L
- -Al & Lynn Rappaport in memory of Mel Waashul Z"L
- Shmuel & Fran Leitman in honor of Dr. Riki Kreitman.

### PEREK ON THE LAWN

Perk on the lawn this Shabbos will be at 6 pm at the home of Penina and Asaf Shmuel, 17 Fairhill Rd. The Shiur, titled "Money Can't Buy Friends", will be given by Rabbi Malitzky.

### **THANK YOU**

We would like to thank the Edison/Highland Park community for the outpouring of kindness and support to our family following the passing of our husband/father, David Singer A"H. Our deepest gratitude - Gilda Singer and Sharon Hirt.

### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS YOM YERUSHALYIM/PEACE OF MIND **CELEBRATION**

SAVE THE DATE May 24th as we welcome Tal Brody and the movie "On the Map" to our community. All proceeds after expenses will benefit Peace of Mind, a program that helps IDF combat veterans transition to civilian life. Sponsorships available \$100.00, \$180.00, \$250.00, \$500.00. General admission is \$20.00 per person, \$50.00 per family. Please help us bring another IDF unit to our community for Peace of Mind. Checks should be written to American friends of Herzog Hospital and mailed c/o Koenigson 221 Washington Ave, Edison, NJ 08817 More details to follow

### **SUPPORT OHEL OXC**

Yair Caplan is participating in the Ohel Xtreme Challenge obstacle course run on May 21st to support Ohel, an organization that helps families in need, specifically aiding children in foster care and children with special needs. Visit oheloxc.org/yaircaplan to donate, and support this tremendous organization.

REMINDER: Emergency Defibrillators are located on the upstairs wall hallway & the entry hallway downstairs. Please note the location of the new First Aid Kits mounted on the wall below/above each Defibrillator. CHEVRA HATZOLAH OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY 732-456-6666

#### **ACTT EVENT:**

Come hear Rabbi Shlomo Zalman Bregman, internationally recognized Torah scholar, speaker, author, matchmaker, entrepreneur, attorney, media personality and CEO of Bregman Success, LLC, www.bregmansuccess.com, and the Founder of the Jewish Executive Learning Network (JELN), speak about "How To Achieve Success Through Emunah" at the ACTT (Achieving Change through Torah) sponsored community-wide event Sunday night, May 14th, 8:30PM. Source book: Artscroll's "Living Emunah volume 2 - Achieving A Life of Serenity Through Faith" by Rabbi David Ashear. More details to follow. For more info, email info@actt613.org or call Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762.

#### **NORPAC MISSION**

NORPAC's Mission to Washington is an annual event where we bring close to a thousand citizen activists to Washington, DC, in order to advocate for a stronger U.S.-Israel relationship with Members of Congress

Join us on Wednesday, May 17, 2017. On a single-day trip you will meet with Members of Congress and their staff, and share your concerns with them about aid to Israel, Iranian threats, security cooperation, and more. Help us make a difference once again! Buses leave for Washington from our area at 6:30 AM and return between 9-10 PM .There will be briefings on the bus. All meals will be provided. Register now at <a href="https://www.norpac.net">www.norpac.net</a> or call (201) 788-5133 Adults-\$175, Students - \$125 (must be over 12.Those under 18 must be accompanied by Parent or legal guardian) contact Marc Hanfling <a href="mailto:docdad@aol.com">docdad@aol.com</a>, Barry Wolf, Yosef Schreiber, Neer Even-hen for more info.

### **HATZOLAH OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY**

Come celebrate a major milestone for the entire community. Chevra Hatzolah of Middlesex County is hosting a ribbon-cutting ceremony to launch its first brand new, donated, state of the art ambulance. Come join us for a hot breakfast; Sunday, April 30th, 9:30am, OE. No couvert.

#### **RV CHAPTER OF HADASSAH**

Raritan Valley Chapter of Hadassah is holding a benefit lunch for Youth Aliyah Child Rescue, a program for Israeli children at risk, on Sunday, April 30th, 11AM at Ahavas Achim. Speaker will be Ruth Grossberg, co-chair of Hadassah's United Nations Committee. She will be speaking on Hadassah and its work at the UN. For more info contact Maureen Arnow.

### **AA CELEBRATES YOM HAATZMAUT:**

Join Ahavas Achim friends and family at a special Yom Haatzmaut Seudah Shlishit Shabbat afternoon, April 29, between Mincha and Maariv. Mincha at 7:30PM. We will celebrate the 69th anniversary of Medinat Yisrael with divrei torah, Israeli food, and song. We are proud to honor Rabbi Eric and Jeanne Lankin in recognition of their upcoming aliyah and lifetime passion for Eretz Yisrael.

### **HP JEWISH WOMEN'S CONFERENCE**

Cong Ohav Emeth invites the women of the community to the second annual Highland Park Jewish Women's Conference. This year featuring keynote speaker Nechama Price, "Breaking Boundaries: Was Miriam a Leader of the Jewish People?" Morning workshops followed by a lunch and shiur. Sunday, May 7th, 10am-1pm. \$25 for women, \$15 for Students. RSVP

hpjwconference@gmail.com (732) 247-3038

#### **RPRY**

-Save the date: RPRY cordially invites the entire community to a screening of "Names Not Numbers: A Movie in the Making©" on Tuesday, May 23rd at 7:30PM. The video is in tribute to the

following Holocaust survivors who shared their inspiring stories and incredible experiences with RPRY's 8th grade students:

Mrs. Vera Barta, Mr. Ernest Einzig, Mrs. Margot Jeremias, Dr. Samuel Kaye, Mrs. Marion Kornfeld, Mrs. Regina Mermelstein, Mr. Emil Siegel, Mrs. Zsuzsa Braun Strausz, and Mrs. Eva Weisz. The film will be followed by a dessert reception. -RPRY ANNUAL DINNER RPRY's 72nd Annual Dinner Event will be held on Tuesday, June 6 at 6:30 p.m. at Chabad House at Rutgers University. The honorees are Penny & Michael Kaplan, Sari & Michie Klerer, Marni & Arkady Broder, Shoshana & Jordan Kaplan and Bat-Chen & Benjamin Kaplan.

### **BIKUR CHOLIM:**

- HOSPITALITY ROOM at RWJ Hospital! Located on the main floor. Go thru main entrance and bear left towards gift shop. Turn right through the double doors. Follow hall and turn right. Room is located opposite surgical intensive care unit. Fully stocked with food and items you might need. Microwave, urn, sink, table & chairs, as well as two reclining chairs. For info, call 732-572-7181.
- MOTHER'S HELPERS: Bikur Cholim is looking for help with a special need's 5yr old girl. Volunteers are needed for any time, M-F. Looking for girls 10th grade and up, even for a few hours, call Mrs. Rivka Teresh directly at 347-598-9448.
- HOMEBOUND VISITATION: Seeking adults and 11th graders and older who would be interested in volunteering to visit homebound people in our community. For more info, please call Bikur Cholim at 732-572-7181.
- NURSING HOME VISITATION: Seeking volunteers to visit at Regency nursing home on DeMott Lane in Somerset. For info, call Rahel Baruh 732-672-4673 or email rbaruh@yahoo.com -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.
- TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE: Drivers and coordinators needed. Coordinate rides to and from medical appts match requesters with an avail driver. Each coordinator serves for two weeks at a time. To volunteer to coordinate or drive, please call 732-572-7181 or fill out the volunteer form on the website bikurcholimrv.com
- WEBSITE: <u>bikurcholimrv.com</u>. Website provides info regarding services, including how to access our local hospitals on Shabbat, how to borrow medical equipment, and how to get prescription medication on Shabbat.

### **JEC CELEBRATION**

May 15th, the renowned Jewish Educational Center of Elizabeth, NJ is celebrating 76 years of Torah, academic excellence, and most of all, family. 100 alumni couples will be recognized at the gala. With the 50th anniversary of the reunification of Yerushalavim upon us, the gala will also feature the inauguration of a special Wall of Honor in salute to our dozens of alumni who serve in the IDF as well as a special tribute to the 1967 Bruriah and JEC graduating classes. Honorees for dinner include Dr. Aryeh and Myra Pirak, Grandparents of the Year; David and Sarah Goldstein, Parents of the Year; and David and Debra Schiff, who will be recognized with a special Family Legacy Award. In celebration of our greater JEC family, we invite YOU to join us at Factory 220, NJ's newest and most exciting event space, Monday evening, May 15th. Visit TheJEC.org for more info

### **LOCAL SHAATNEZ TESTING OPTIONS**

Shatnez testing available at following locations: Testing is done on the premises once a week.

- -Rainbow Cleaners, 705 Raritan Ave, HP 732 572 3896
- -Lily's Cleaners, 1664 Rt 27, Edison <u>732 985 1444</u> -Fashion Care Cleaners, Plainfield Ave, Edison 732 572 1181
- -The Clothing Center, 645 Highway 18 East Brunswick, 732 254 0870

For more info contact Yosef Sayagh <u>732 330 4103</u>. Shaatnez testing is also available at the Agudah. Garments should be dropped off on Sunday morning.

### ROSH CHODESH SHIDDUCH GROUP

The next Rosh Chodesh Shidduch Group will meet Wednesday night May 10. Please bring a picture along with the resume of the person (s) you are presenting. At the Ravitz house, 60 Hamlin Road May 10, 2017 at 8 PM. Everyone is welcome

#### **NCSY**

Celebrate Lag Ba'Omer at the community wide happening, coordinated by NCSY, on Sunday, May 14th, 6PM-8PM at Grove 1 in Donaldson Park. Free admission! Music and entertainment provided by Jeff Wilks! Activities for kids, learning sessions for adults and food and drinks for sale! Contact Rabbi Shmulie Greene for more info and sponsorship opportunities at <a href="mailto:qreenes@ncsy.org">qreenes@ncsy.org</a> or 973-214-8577

### **TZEDAKA REQUEST**

We realize there are many requests for Tzedaka, all heart wrenching. However, the rules of Tzedaka are to first help your family, then help your community, then outside the community. Here is a campaign started by longtime members of our community, who are presently struggling with the serious issue of having a family member trying to recover in rehab. They need to raise about \$6,000 a month and rehab can take about a year. Please search Thechesedfund.com and put in the name of the campaign which is please help us afford rehab to save our son. Please open up your hearts and help this local family keep their son in rehab. They have been generous in the past in supporting our community and never thought they would need to ask for themselves. (Please note: Rabbi Kaufman and Rabbi Kaminetzky have reviewed this issue and the great need of the family and encourage all to help in this extremely worthy and lifesaving effort.)

If you wish to make out a check instead of contributing online, please make it out to Congregation Ohav Emeth, in the memo write Rabbi's Charity Fund. On a separate note (NOT in memo) write that it is for the Rehab campaign"

## SAVE THE DATE!!! YESHIVA SHAAREI TZION TRIBUTE DINNER

On Sunday evening, June 11, 2017, Yeshiva Shaarei Tzion will pay special tribute to RABBI AND MRS. AVROHOM ABBA AND CYREL BRUDNY. Invitations and further details to follow. For Sponsorship information, call <u>973-796-6175</u>

### **RJJ DINNER**

RJJ Yeshiva Annual Dinner Will take place
Sunday evening, May 21<sup>st</sup> at the
Woodbridge Renaissance Hotel. Dedication of
"Zichron Kedoshei Churban Europe"
Memorial Library. In memory of Mr. Imre Lefkovits
.'"¡Accepted by: Mrs. Rachel Lefkovits And
Mr. and Mrs. Moshe Wiesel. For info. Call the
Yeshiva office 732-985-6533

### **FOR WOMEN**

-Rebbitzen Eichenstein's classes for women: Tefillah class Sunday, April 30 at 11 AM at the Aguda shul; Parsha class on Monday, May 1 at 8PM at Cong. Ohr Torah. For more info, please contact Aviva at 732-572-4408 or siegelmom@optonline.net

- Mrs. Miri Cohen's Parsha class will take place Tuesday, May 2 at 9:30 AM at the home of Leah Epshtein, 253 Lawrence Avenue, Highland Park. For more info, please call 732-966-6503. -The Women's AMEN Group meets **monthly** on the Sundays following the Shabbos in which one bensches Rosh Chodesh, 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 the other Cholim in the community.

#### **GEMACHS**

-HP/Edison Diaper Gemach: Diapers, pull-ups, and wipes donations sought Email diapergemach@qmail.com for more info.
-HP/Edison Gown Gemach, L'iluy Nishmas R' Yitzchok Ben Binyomin, houses a wide selection of gowns for children, pre-teen, teens and adults. Seeking donation of gowns in very good condition. Tax deduction is given and pick up of the gowns can also be arranged. For info and/or appt call Sara Scott at 516-526-0941.

### **KEREN KOL KALLAH**

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 sale goes towards a hachnasas kallah fund which helps needy brides in Eretz Yisrael. Sheitels can be dropped off to Aviva, 16 Edgemount Rd, Edison. For info, contact Aviva Siegel (732) 572-4408 siegelmom@optonline.net

#### **PARK MIKVAH**

- closed until completion of renovations. Continue to check <a href="https://www.parkmikvah.org">www.parkmikvah.org</a> and voice message at <a href="https://www.parkmikvah.org">732-249-2411</a> fordate of mikvah reopening.
- Fundraiser: Covered Girl Clothing, at 235
  Raritan Ave in HP, would like to join in the
  fundraising efforts to beautify Park Mikvah. 5% of
  all proceeds from in-store sales of our
  merchandise from Rosh Chodesh Iyar April 26, till
  Lag B'omer will be donated to the Mikvah. For

more info, please contact Covered Girl Clothing at 732-640-1980. Store hours are Sun 12-6, Mon & Tues 10-6, Wed & Thurs 1-8, Fri 10-2.

- Save the date! Park Mikvah is having a Chanukas Habayis to celebrate the beautifully renovated mikvah. Women only. Congregation Ahavas Achim, 216 S 1st Ave., HP, Sunday, June 11th, 9:30AM 11:30AM. Tours of the mikvah will be available. Speaker: Mrs. Chani Juravel. Admission is free; Sponsors are welcome. More details to follow.
- -- Young Israel of East Brunswick will be extending their hours throughout the duration of Park Mikvah renovations: Sunday to Thursday: 8:00-11:00 PM, Saturday night: 9:30 p.m.-12:00 a.m. Please check their website for more info regarding fees, and for changes in schedule due to inclement weather. YIEB: 193 Dunhams Corner Road, East Brunswick, 732-257-4121 or <a href="http://www.yieb.org/mikvah.html">http://www.yieb.org/mikvah.html</a>. The YIEB mikvah strongly encourages women to prepare at home, due to high volume of patrons.
- Have you participated in this incredible mitzvah campaign yet? Please go to www.parkmikvah.org/donate and count yourself among the hundreds of community members who have generously brought us to this milestone in our renovation project!

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

**SHALOSH SEUDOS SPONSORSHIP:** To sponsor Shalosh Seudos, contact Moshe Wiesel. **BUILDING DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIES** Contact Moshe Schneider at 732-618-4702.

**TREE OF LIFE / YAHRZEIT PLAQUES:** To dedicate a Yahrzeit Plaque or Leaf for the Lobby

Eitz Chayim Tree, contact Moish Nat by sending detailed fax with all dedicatory wording to 732-759-8558. For more info, call Moish at 732-759-807 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 <a href="https://linear.com/ludeeju@gmail.com">ludeeju@gmail.com</a> or 732-572-5633.

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### **OHR TORAH YOUTH PROGRAM EVENTS:**

Children can register for events on Ohr Torah's website "ohrtorah.net" or call 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 Refuah Shleimah

#### **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

LOCAL ERUV: Call 732-247-ERUV for status

### Parshas Acharei Mot-Kedoshim

Candlelighting: 7:39pm Mincha: 7:00 & 7:45pm

Ohr Torah can be found at <a href="http://www.ohrtorah.net">http://www.ohrtorah.net</a>. Join the email list for Weekly Announcements. Announcements should be sent to announcements@ohrtorah.net by 7PM Wed. Please make sure to leave a contact/callback name and phone number.