

Congregation Ohr Torah Weekly Announcements

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban - Rabbi

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Tazria-Metzora **Candlelighting:**

Pre-plag Mincha:

7:24 PM 6:00 PM

Mincha: 6:45 & 7:35 PM 7:45, 9 & 9:15 AM Shacharis:

Rabbi Hoffman's Halacha B'iyun Shiur after Hashkama

Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A): 9:33AM Rabbi Luban's Moed Katan Shiur – 6:30 PM

Rabbi Malitzky's Mishna Shiur - 6:50 PM

Kollel Mincha: 6:00 PM 1:45 PM & 7:20 PM Mincha:

Shalosh Seudos speaker: Zev Saffer Maariv: 8:30PM Shabbos Ends: 8:33PM

Weekday Shacharis:

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

Early Mincha Sun. 1:45 & 5:45 PM Early Mincha Mon.-Thu. 5:45 PM Mincha/Maariv: 7:30 PM Late Maariv: 10:10 PM

SHIURIM

- Rabbi Akiva Sauer's Shiur on Daf Yomi Be'Iyun after 7:15 Shacharis on Sunday
- Rabbi Luban's Monday night Shiur on Sh'eilos Uteshuvos - 9:10 PM
- - Rabbi Malitzky's Chafetz Chaim Shiur Weds. 8:30 PM

Daf Yomi Schedule

One hour before Mincha on Shabbos Monday-Thursday- after z'man Maariv Friday-after Maariv Shabbos -one hour before Mincha Sunday-after 8am Shacharis.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week is sponsored by Sharon Hirt to commemorate the Yahrtzeit of her father, Dovid Ben Eliyahu Hacohen. Sponsorship avail. on April 28th, May 5th, May 12th and May 19th.

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.

LUNCH AND LEARN

Tues, May 1st our Lunch and Learn community presents Einstein: A One-Man Show. Actor Marc Simmons gives the moving thought provoking and Humorous one man presentation about one of the world's most celebrated scientists. Join us at Cong Ohr Torah @12 noon, Cost \$10 for program & lunch. Reserve by April 26th. RSVP Bella blerner18@optonline.net or call 732 317 1786, Mildred 732 572 1712 or Marcia ppheffer@verizon.net or 732 572 5998

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MAZEL TOV

... to Rebecca and Israel Rivkin on the birth of a daughter, Shani Hallel, to their grandchildren Etan and Mira Kestenbaum in Israel. Mazel Tov to big brother Matanya Yehuda and the proud grandparents Tova and David Kestenbaum of Ranaana Israel.

OHR TORAH ANNUAL DINNER

The OT dinner honoring Deena and Gershon Klavan and Alisa and Srulee Hercman is just over one week away! Join us on Sunday, April 29, 5:30PM at the Rutgers Chabad House as we honor these two very special couples who have done so much for our Shul and community

All reservations must be submitted by Monday, April 23. To register and pay online go to http://www.ohrtorah.net/dinner.

Please note that reservations are not final until payment has been made.

SHABBAT NAHAL HAREIDI

Zev Weisinger, the Director of Development for Friends of Nahal Haredi is visiting Edison this Shabbat. This is a non-profit organization that assists Haredi Youth interested in serving in the IDF. While in the army, the organization helps maintain an environment where a Haredi Youth can serve and not compromise on religious way of life, as well as maintaining a continuing support system for the rest of the soldiers' and veterans' lives. Zev will be speaking about the program and its significance at the Hashkama Minyan as well as YFM this Shabbat and will be hosting a parlor meeting Saturday night at his in laws Heidy and Ira Rosen 120 Highland Ave, HP at 9:30 PM

MESORAH NJ ONEG WITH RABBI LAWRENCE HAJIOFF

Mesorah NJ invites the community to hear Rabbi Lawrence Hajioff, Professor at Stern College, author and comedian, this Friday, April 20th at 9pm at Ohr Torah. His topic is: "Why Don't Jews Sit Still?" Rabbi Hajioff served as the educational director of the Alumni Community of Birthright Israel in New York for 13 years. He is on the full-time faculty of Stern College for Women, His books, Jew Got Questions and Will Jew Marry Me, are available in bookstores and on Amazon.com.

Rabbi Hajioff will also deliver the Shabbos morning Drasha at the main Minyan.

YOUTH DIRECTOR SEARCH

After 15 years of dedicated service, our youth director, Mayer Berg, will be leaving us at the end of his current term. Maver's

April 21, 2018 enthusiasm, energy and dedication to the youth of our shul have been instrumental in growing our youth department, and we thank him for his many years of dedicated service to OT and the youth department. To ensure the continued growth and vitality of our youth department, we are seeking a dynamic and talented youth director couple to lead our youth department beginning at the end of the summer, and a search committee has already begun to solicit resumes. If you know of any qualified candidates who may be interested in this position, please have them promptly submit their resume to Srulee Hercman (shercman@gmail.com) or Leah

CONDOLENCES

Kelman (<u>lloeb1@gmail.com</u>).

We regret to inform you of the passing of Bina Blumenfrucht, long time OT community member and beloved wife of Marvin, mother of Tolsie, Malki, Zevi and Keved, sister of Ruchi & Yossi Stern, aunt to Rachelle & Zev Stern and Esty & Shloimy Schwimmer. The family will be sitting Shiva in Israel Motzei Shabbos at 17 Ibin Ezra Street in Jerusalem. Yossi Stern will continue to sit Shiva in Israel through Thursday morning. He can be reached at 732-806-3831 or 609-577-9970. Please remember the time in Israel is 7 hours ahead.

Shiva in New York will begin Monday morning at the Blumenfucht Residence, 205 West 89th Street Apt 5H.

Schacharis – 7 AM, Mincha/ Maariv-Bezman. May the family be comforted among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

- -Michael & Penny Kaplan in memory of Mordy Brill Z"L
- -Edward & Elise Schechter in memory of Barry Katz's mother Arline Katz Z"L
- -Myron & Shelia Bursky in memory of Arie Rand's father Moshe Rand Z"L
- -Moshe & Susan Wiesel in memory of Mordy
- -Moshe & Susan Wiesel in memory of Rabbi Daniel Loew's grandmother Margot Jeremias
- -Chaya Gurkov in memory of Barry Katz's mother Arline Katz Z"L

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

NORPAC MISSION TO WASHINGTON

NORPAC mission Training/Orientation Sat. night April 21st 9:45-10:45PM in OT social hall Mission Day April 25- Edison / Highland Park

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

Buses leave for Washington at 6:30am from OT, AA and YIEB. There will be briefings on each bus. Shacharit davening will be at 5:45AM in Ohr Torah, Ahavas Achim and YIEB. There will be a minyan for Mincha and Maariv . Breakfast, lunch, and dinner will be provided. Watch your email for bus departure site, group assignments, congressional appointments and talking points. Because of limited parking in the OT/RPRY lot those leaving from OT please try to walk or carpool .

YESHIVA SHAAREI TZION ANNUAL DINNER

Sunday, May 6 2018 – YST Annual Dinner at the Woodbridge Renaissance Hotel, honoring Mrs. Rivka Adler, Mr. & Mrs. Avi & Yael Kamelhar and Rabbi & Mrs. Shloimy & Esty Schwimmer. Please visit www.ystdinner.com to place dinner reservations and to dedicate an ad in the journal.

RJJ YESHIVA ANNUAL DINNER

Join Rabbi Jacob Joseph Yeshiva for their Annual Dinner on Sunday, May 13 at The Addison Park, 150 NJ-35, Keyport. They are honoring Mr. & Mrs. Elimelech Tabak and Rabbi & Mrs. Yechiel Posen. For more information, call the RJJ office at 732-985-6533

RPRY 2ND ANNUAL GRANDPARENT EVENT!

Attention: grandparents, aunts, uncles, or other special RPRY family and friends! Come to RPRY Sun, April 29 from 10am-11:30am Enjoy a fun morning of bingo, prizes, projects and refreshments with your RPRY kids! Register by April 23 at: www.tinyurl.com/RPRYgrandparent. Sponsorships available. Email rpryplus@rpry.org to sponsor.

RPRY ANNUAL DINNER

Annual Dinner on the Night of Lag Ba'omer Wed, May 2nd 6:30pm. We look forward to celebrating *The Light of Leadership* with you. Your support of our Yeshiva directly benefits our students' educational experience and serves to strengthen our collective Jewish future. Reserve and submit your Journal Ads NOW, at www.rprydinner.org

RUTGERS HILLEL DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY GALA CELEBRATION

Rutgers Hillel invites you to their Diamond Anniversary Gala celebrating 75 years on the Rutgers Univ Campus. This lavish buffet will be held in the new Eva and Arie Halpern Hillel House, 70 College Ave, New Brunswick Sun, May 6 at 11:30am.

BONE MARROW REGISTRY

A young man, a nephew of a couple in our community, is battling a life threatening illness and is in Urgent need of a Bone Marrow transplant. People between the ages of 18-44 are asked to join the Online Bone Marrow Registry and be tested to see if they might be suitable as a bone marrow donor. Please go to <u>WWW.BeTheMatch.Org</u> and register to receive

<u>WWW.BeTheMatch.Org</u> and register to receive a "cheek swab kit". Please daven for a Refuah Shelemah for Yosef Betzalel ben Rus.

<u>ACTT</u>

The ACTT (Achieving Change Through Torah) program helps individuals succeed in making meaningful and lasting changes in their lives. Source book: "Artscroll's "Living Simchah: Finding the joy in everything" by Rabbi Hadar Margolin. "Serve Hashem with Joy: Can we work on being happier?", speaker Rabbi Moshe Tzvi Weinberg, can be downloaded or listened to from Audio page of the ACTT web site at: www.actt613.org/6.html. info, email info@actt613.org or call Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762.

WIN A CRUISE:

Jewish Family Services of Middlesex County is once again sponsoring a raffle to win a 7 day Celebrity Cruise for two to a destination of your

choice. This is a \$2,500 value. Tickets are only \$36 each or 3 for \$100 (winner is responsible for all taxes & fees) The winning ticket will be drawn on June 24th at the JFS Gala You do not need to be present to win. To purchase tickets please contact Murray Katz at 732-985-7348 or at katzmurray@yahoo.com. All proceeds will directly benefit the vital social service programs for the Jewish Community.

IN MEMORIAM...

L'iluy nishmas Sorah Rosen-beloved friend, neighbor, and longtime community member – friends, in collaboration with Mrs. Rosen's daughters, are contributing to some charities as a group. Anyone interested contact Keren Eliezar kraanan19@qmail.com or 848-220-5405.

EMPLOYMENT NETWORK OF RARITAN VALLEY

Looking for work? We can help. Go to www.ENRV.org or contact Bob Lansey at ENRVInfo@qmail.com. We post over 100 jobs each month and help people with their resume and search strategies. Please help: If you know of any professional, part-time, or temp job openings, please e-mail info to ENRVInfo@qmail.com.

RABBI YISROEL WEISS SHIUR

Rabbi Yisroel Weiss shiur,"Living with Parsha", for men & women: Wednesday evenings at 8:30PM at the Eiserman's home, 154 North 10th Ave, HP. Info call Marsha at 732-503-8675.

JUMPING JELLYBEANS

Jumping Jellybeans with Tova Halpern of Fresh Theatre Arts will be held Sundays, April 15, May 6 and June 3 at 10:30am. Jumping Jellybeans is a program geared towards children ages 0-5. Using drama, movement and music, children explore their surroundings in a fun, energetic, and exciting environment. Cost of \$5 per child includes a snack. Parents must attend with child. RSVP to Chani at aayouth100@gmail.com.

AA PRACTICAL HALACHA SERIES

The community is invited to a weekly learnig opportunity at Ahavas Achim Tuesday evenins 8:45PM -9:30PM in the Beit Midrash on the Las of Shabbat with a focus on Amira L'Akum: Th laws of instructing a non-Jew to perform Melaca on Shabbat. Instructor is Rabbi Yehoshua Lewis the Dir of Mesorah NJ. This learning opportunity is sponsored in memory of Joel Cohen, z"l and is free and open to the public.

SHARESHERET ANNUAL NJ BENEFIT LUNCHEON

Gila Pfeffer, who has supported countless community causes both during and after her time living in our community, is being honored by Sharsheret at their Annual New Jersey Benefit Luncheon on Sunday, May 6th at 10:00 am at the Teaneck Marriott at Glenpointe. This year's Guests of Honor are sisters Miryam Reinitz-Kops and Gila Pfeffer, and Jonathan Blinken will receive the Lisa Altman Volunteer Award. Register here! For more information, contact Effy Zinkin at effy.zinkin@qmail.com.

BIKUR CHOLIM

Bikur Cholim is excited to announce volunteer training for new and prospective hospital volunteers to be given by the Pastoral Care team of RWJ hospital. Training takes place on Monday evening April 23 at Ohr Torah in the evening. A light dinner will be served. If interested/questions, call Nitza Adler (732) 819-9294 or Dawn Botnick (732)220-8552.

RARITAN VALLEY HADASSAH

Sun, May 6, at 11AM Raritan Valley Chapter of Hadassah is hosting a brunch at Cong Ahvas Achim. Help support Youth Aliyah, child rescue, by saving children at risk in Israel. Covert: \$36 payable to Raritan Valley Hadassah. Questions: Miryam Arnow at <u>732-572-2149</u> or email: <u>mailsacks@aol.com</u>

SHOVAVIM

Shovavim presents the 26th annual community wide Taharas Mishpacha review: For women: Rebbetzin Aviva Wasser will be speaking on halachos and hashkafos of Taharas Mishpacha on Monday, April 30 at 8:15 PM in the young family room in Congregation Ohr Torah. Please submit questions to be answered by Rebbetzin Wasser at the review to parkmikvahevents@qmail.com.

WOMEN'S TORAH INSTITUTE

"What's on Your Mind?" Join women in our community for an inspiring afternoon of Torah on Shabbat, April 28 at 5PM at the home of Lisa and David Goldberg, 33 N. 9th Ave Our speakers are the amazing duo Helene Lockspeiser and Hannah Rappaport. Please save these WTI future dates: May 26, June 16, July 14, and August 11. If you are able to host WTI one of these future date, contact Rosa Katz at 908-881-1660 or barrosak@aol.com or Caren Friedman at cfriedman218@qmail.com or 610-246-3131.

FOR WOMEN -Sundays 10AM – Rabbi Bassous Class on 13

Principles of Faith for Women at Etz Ahaim.
-Sunday Apr 22 11AM — Rebbeitzen Eichenstein's
Tefillah class at the Aguda shul. Info Aviva at 732-572-4408 or siegelmom@gmail.com
-Mon Apr 23 - -Shimiras Haloshon class by Mrs.
Leah Drillman: NO CLASS Monday, April 23. Class on Mon April 30 at 7:30 PM at Ellen Smith's house, 407 North 8th Ave, Edison For more info, please call Ellen at 201-410-1893 or 732-777-6787.

-Mon April 23 8PM Rebbitzen Eichenstein's Parsha Class for Women at Ohr Torah. Info, Aviva at 732-572-4408 or siegelmom@gmail.com

-Tue April 24 9:30AM - Mrs. Miri Cohen Parsha Class at the home of Leah Epshtein, 253 Lawrence Ave, HP. Info Leah 917-763-1848.

-Tiferes: DVD for women Motzai Shabbos, April 28 at 9:45PM at the Siegel house: "Get a Grip: Anger Inside Out" featuring Rabbi Benzion Shafier and Mrs. Dina Schoonmaker. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are avail to Tiferes members. Current teleconference: "Feeling Great about Growing: Powerful guidance from Pirkei Avos for our everyday lives". Speaker: Mrs. Seryl Berman For more info or to become a member, please contact Aviva at siegelmom@gmail.com. The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.

-Women's AMEN Group meets monthly on Sundays following the Shabbos in which one bensches Rosh Chodesh, 9:30AM in a downstairs classroom at Cong Ohr Torah. The group meets in the zechus of a refuah shelaimah for Menachem Mordechai ben Ophira and other community Cholim Tehillim group: The women's Tehillim group is meeting on a regular basis 2 hours before Mincha at Etz Ha-haim, 230 Dennison St, Highland Park. For more info, please call 732-937- 6823.

GEMACHS

-Diaper Gemach HP/Edison: Diapers, pullups, wipes needed Email diapergemach@gmail.
-The Edison/HP Gown Gemach, L'iluy Nishmas R' Yitzchok Ben Binyomin Gemach Gowns for children thru adult. Donations of good condition gowns sought. Tax deduct given/pick up of gowns arranged. Info/appt Sara Scott 516-526-0941.
- New Kittel gemach available! If you – or

someone you know--needs to borrow a kittel,

please call Jeff or Lee Ann Schein at <u>732-545-9353</u>. Four sizes available. Kittel gemach is in memory of Lazar Lipman ben Chaim Yitzhak. -Head Covering Gemach: Snoods, hats, tichels scarves, sheitels, accessories. Call to receive or donate. Gina Gittle Tonkonog 347-615-3294

BIKUR CHOLIM

<u>bikurcholimrv.com</u>. The website provides info regarding avail services

ERUV

Email: Go to http://hperuv.org and sign up for email list. The email list checks the eruv's status after 3pm once per hour and sends out an email with updates.

The Eruv Webpage: The eruv webpage at http://hperuv.org has the latest Twitter feed displayed on the bottom of the front page. Webpage at http://hperuv.org with a map of the exact eruv boundaries, and where you need to be careful about staying inside the eruv. There have been some major changes in the eruv in the last few years

Go to http://hperuv.org/status for more info about getting eruv alerts, or contact David Weintraub at david@weintraub.name for help.

PARK MIKVAH

Amazon. Use the following link: http://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-7037953. A donation will be made to Park Mikvah.

- Hours: Sun-Thur hours 9PM—11PM. Fri night by appt only by leaving a message at 732-249-2411 or via website or call/text 732-221-8155. Motzai Shabbos April 21: 9:30—11:30; April 28: 10PM—11:30PM. All Motzai Shabbos in May: 10-11:30; May 21 (motzai Shavous): 10-11:30.Continue to check www.parkmikvah.org and vm at 732-249-2411 for updates.
- -Have you participated in this incredible mitzvah campaign yet? Go to www.parkmikvah.org/donate to help raise the remaining funds!

OHR TORAH NEWSLETTER: To subscribe to Announcements, go to www.ohrtorah.net E-MAIL LIST: To join OT email list, contact Gene Wasserman at genew@compugene.com .

<u>KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP:</u> To sponsor Kiddush or reserve Kiddush room contact Russell Adler or Elie Wiesel at <u>reservations@ohrtorah.net</u>

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

BUILDING DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIESContact 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.

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

HOUSEKEEPING: For housekeeping issues and inquiries contact Lou Smith at ludeeju@qmail.com or 732-572-5633.

KEILIM MIKVAH HOURS: Ohr Torah Keilim Mikvah hours are officially Sundays from 7AM-10AM. If you need special access during non-open hours, contact Barry Siegel 732- 572-4408 or siegeldad@gmail.com

OHR TORAH YOUTH PROGRAM EVENTS:

Children can register for events on OT's website "ohrtorah.net" or call Mayer Berg at 732-572-3429.

REFUAH SHLEIMAH LEARNING: See the OT website, <u>www.ohrtorah.net</u>, for 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

<u>YAHRZEIT DATABASE</u>: To register a family member in the Yahrzeit database, go to <u>ohrtorah.net</u> and click "Register for OT Yahrzeit Notification" or speak with Ralph Dessau or Gene Wasserman.

LOCAL ERUV: If you depend on the eruv for carrying on Shabbat you are responsible to check the status of the eruv before Shabbat starts. We now have *six* different ways you can check the eruv's status:

-Twitter: You can get a free Twitter account and follow the user <a>@hp eruv.

-Text Messaging: You can get text message updates of the eruv's status on your cell phone. You need a Twitter account Twitter accounts are free. Follow *hp_eruv* to *40404*. Go to the Eruv webpage for complete directions on <u>setting up text messaging</u> the <u>Highland Park Eruv</u> website.

-Facebook: Follow the *@hperuv* Facebook group. Webpage: The <u>Highland Park Eruv</u> webpage displays the Twitter updates on the <u>Home</u> page and on the <u>News</u> page.

-Phone Hotline: The Phone hotline at 732-247--ERUV is updated before Shabbat.

-Email Alerts:. Go to the <u>Highland Park</u> Eruv webpage, and sign up.

Parshat Acharei Mot-Kedoshim

Candlelighting – 7:31 PM Mincha – 6:45 & 7:40 PM

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