



# Congregation Ohr Torah

## Weekly Announcements

<http://www.ohrtorah.net>

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**Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi**

**Jeff Klein - President**

**Rabbi Sariel Malitzky – Assistant Rabbi**

*Parshas Vayeshev*

21 Kislev 5778

Dec 9, 2017

<b>Candlelighting:</b>	<b>4:12PM</b>
<b>Mincha:</b>	<b>4:20PM</b>
<b>Shacharis:</b>	<b>7:45, 9:00 &amp; 9:15AM</b>
<i>Rabbi Hoffman's Halacha B'iyun Shiur after Hashkama</i>	
<b>Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A):</b>	<b>9:29AM</b>
<i>Rabbi Luban's Moed Katan Shiur – 3:00 PM</i>	
<i>Rabbi Malitzky's Mishna Shiur – between Mincha and Maariv</i>	
<b>Mincha:</b>	<b>1:45 PM &amp; 3:50 PM</b>
<i>Shalosh Seudos speaker: Rabbi Moshe Taragin (Scholar in Residence)</i>	
<b>Maariv:</b>	<b>5:15 PM</b>
<b>Shabbos Ends:</b>	<b>5:21 PM</b>
<b>Weekday Shacharis</b>	
<b>Sun</b>	<b>7:15, 8 &amp; 9 AM</b>
<b>Mon.</b>	<b>6:20, 7:05, &amp; 8 AM</b>
<b>Tues</b>	<b>6:30, 7:10 &amp; 8 AM</b>
<b>Weds-Fri. (Chanukah)</b>	<b>6:15, 7:05 &amp; 8AM</b>
<b>Sunday Mincha</b>	<b>1:00 &amp; 4:20 PM</b>
<b>Mincha/ Maariv:</b>	<b>4:20 PM</b>
<b>NOTE:</b> Friday of Chanukah there will be an early Mincha minyan at 3:15 PM to accommodate candlelighting	
<b>Late Maariv:</b>	<b>7:30 and 10:10 PM</b>

### SHIURIM

- Rabbi Akiva Sauer's Shiur on Daf Yomi Be'Iyun – Sunday after 7:15 Shacharis
  - Rabbi Luban's Monday night Shiur on Sh'eilos Uteshuvos - 9:10PM.
  - Rabbi Malitzky's Chafetz Chaim Shiur – CANCELLED THIS WEEK
- Daf Yomi Schedule  
Monday-Thursday-after 7:30 Maariv  
Friday -after Maariv. *Daf yomi this Shabbos* will take place at 8:15 AM. Sun-after 8am Shacharis.

**Every Friday night**, all young children in Shul on Friday nights are invited to come to the front of Shul immediately following Yigdal for 5-8 minutes of Parsha questions.

### KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week is cosponsored by:  
-Shoshana and Ted Diskind in memory of the Yahrzeit of Ted's father Meyer Diskind, Chaim Meir Yechiel ben Pesach A"H.  
-Bruriah High School in honor of their 9<sup>th</sup> grade Shabbaton.  
Kiddush sponsorship is available for Dec 16th and January 13th & 20th.

### SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Debbie and Arthur Atlas in honor of the Yahrzeit of Baila Perel bas Harav Shmuel Elchanan; Beverly Atlas, A"H.

### OT BOARD ELECTIONS

The Congregation Ohr Torah Governing Board elections will take place at a Membership Meeting to be held on Sunday, Dec 24 from 8:30am to 10am. All "members in good standing" (i.e. full members who have no outstanding balance as of Dec 31, 2016) may vote. A 'member in good

standing' may vote if in attendance at the membership meeting on Dec 24th. A spouse in attendance at the meeting may vote by proxy for his/her spouse if the voting spouse has authorization in writing to do so. In addition, absentee ballots may be submitted in advance of the meeting. Ballots have been mailed out and are also available on the website. All absentee ballots must be placed in a sealed envelope with the outside of the envelope signed by the voting member and dropped in the Ohr Torah mailbox by 8am on December 24th.

### MAZEL TOV

...to Janice and Arnie Lustiger on the birth of a daughter to their children Leah and Akiva Lustiger. Mazel Tov to great-grandmothers Edie Baldinger & Mina Lustiger.

### SHABBATON

A warm welcome to the 9<sup>th</sup> grade of Bruriah High School, who are celebrating their Shabbaton with us.

### SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE

Scholar in Residence: Rabbi Moshe Taragin Rebbe, Yeshivat Har Etzion

~ Program ~

Friday evening lecture 8:15 pm.

The Impact of Hasidut upon Zionism

Shabbat morning:

Teen/Youth Minyan: How to be Inspired by Role Models

Main minyan: Ya'akov, Chanukah and the Jewish Odyssey

Mincha: 3:50 pm.

Lecture following Mincha

Benefits and Dangers of Chumrot

### YEAR END STATEMENTS

Get Your 2017 Tax Deduction  
Year end statements will be mailed out this week to those members with outstanding balances. Please settle your account by the end of the year and receive a 2017 tax deduction! If you have any questions regarding your account, please email our financial secretary, Brian Allen, at [kiddydent1@gmail.com](mailto:kiddydent1@gmail.com).

### OHR TORAH YOUTH EVENTS

-This Motzei Shabbat Dec 9th at 6:15PM sharp, OT youth in grades 4 thru 9 are headed by school bus to the Woodbridge Community Center (formerly United Skates of America) for a fun evening of roller skating. We return to the Shul 9:15PM. Cost \$20 per child \$25 at door. Price includes bus transport to/from facility, 1 1/2 hour use of roller skating/blading rink, roller skate or blade rentals, \$3 game card for use at the arcade games in the arena and snacks/drinks

at the facility. Checks can be made out to Ohr Torah and provided night of the event.  
-Ohr Torah is hosting a Grand Chanukah Celebration and Children's Chinese auction on Sun morning Dec 17th starting at 11AM until 1:30PM. Children, parents & grandparents are all invited. Included is brunch and lots of entertainment such as face painting, strolling magic, a dazzling children's magic show for younger children and a mentalist for older children plus fun, games and giveaways from the Jeff Wilks orchestra. In addition, children will have the opportunity to decorate their own Chanukah donut (frosting and sprinkles provided) and there will be a children's Chinese auction with great prizes. Cost is \$15 a person or \$40 per family. Sponsorships of \$72 and \$100 are available as well. Questions: Contact Mayer Berg by email -- [marcberg@verizon.net](mailto:marcberg@verizon.net) or by cell @ (732) 207-9992 to sign up as a sponsor.

### SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:  
-Moshe & Susan Wiesel in memory of Moshe Greenblatt Z"L  
-Moshe & Susan Wiesel in memory of Aviva Siegel's uncle Nathan Seiden Z"L  
-Honey & Max Wisotsky in memory of Moshe Greenblatt Z"L  
-Moshe & Susan Wiesel in memory of Rosanne Koenigson's father Reuben Ulman Z"L  
-Moshe & Susan Wiesel in memory of Nillie Goldman's mother Aliza Leah bat Miriam Z"L

### RETIREE LUNCH AND LEARN

Retiree Lunch and Learn and Peace of Mind Present ON THE MAP (Peace of Mind helps Israeli combat veterans transition to civilian life.) Tue, Dec 12<sup>th</sup> at Noon at Ohr Torah, 48 Edgemount Rd, Edison. Program open to all retirees in the community and is a wonderful opportunity to socialize with each other in a meaningful way. There is a \$10pp charge to help defray cost of the meal. Pre-Chanukah food! Come hungry! RSVP Bella [blerner18@optonline.net](mailto:blerner18@optonline.net) or 732 317-1786, Mildred 732 572-1712, or Marcia [mpheffer08@gmail.com](mailto:mpheffer08@gmail.com) 732 572-5998  
There's no surer ingredient for a feel-good documentary than an inspirational sports story, and filmmaker Dani Menkin delivers one in spades with his recounting of the 1979 European Cup victory by the national Israeli basketball team. Intro by Dr. Max Wisotsky D'varTorah by Gene Wasserman

**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

## OHR TORAH SISTERHOOD

Ohr Torah Sisterhood presents Tanach Through the Seasons, Chanukah Edition. Rabbi Dr. Joshua Cypess will discuss "Chanukah, Shivat Zion & the Promise of the Second Temple" Dec 13th, 8pm at home of Marni and Arkady Broder 22 Celler Rd, Edison

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ORTHODOX FORUM

The Orthodox Forum of Edison/HP presents Keith Krivitzky Sat night, Dec 9, 8pm at Cong Ohr Torah. Keith Krivitzky, CEO of the Jewish Federation in the Heart of NJ, will present, "Are We One Jewish People? Why the rest of the Jewish community needs the Orthodox community, why the Orthodox Jewish community needs the rest of the Jewish community and why this question matters". Keith has amassed over twenty-five years of experience in development and innovation for non-profit organizations, has a B.A. in Politics & Near Eastern Studies from Princeton, and an MBA from the Smith School of Business, Univ of Maryland. Program is free of charge.

### PEACE OF MIND

Looking for holiday gifts? Want to help raise money for Peace of Mind, a program that helps IDF combat Vets transition to civilian life? If you present a fundraising flyer and go to Five Below, you can buy your holiday gifts at a discount. For your kids, grandkids, office staff, yourself. Peace of Mind gets 10% of all sales at the North Brunswick or East Brunswick locations. You MUST present the flyer at the register. Sorry, no phone pics accepted. To get the flyer, email Rosanne Koenigson [roenigson@gmail.com](mailto:roenigson@gmail.com). Help us bring another unit to our community in Fall 2018. Can't shop? Still want to donate? Write your check to American Friends of Herzog Hospital and mail c/o Koenigson 221 Washington Ave Edison, NJ 08817. Join our FB page "Peace of Mind Greater Middlesex County" and get the latest news about the program

### CHAI LIFE LINE CHANUKAH TOY DRIVE

Now through Friday Dec.22 *Only New, Unwrapped Toys*. Drop off locations are RPRY, Shaarei Tzion schools. Ages 13 & older enjoy receiving gift cards from Target, Walmart, Kohls, TJ Maxx. Please give Gift Cards to school Offices. Become A Chanukah Hero." Adopt a family and make their Chanukah really special by fulfilling their wish list. Call Chai Lifeline directly [732-719-1709](tel:732-719-1709). If you have any questions, call Bobbi at [732-819-7842](tel:732-819-7842).

### TEAM AY 15K CHALLENGE CAMPAIGN

Congrats again to Greg Sholom (OT) and Menachem Kravitz for completing the 15K Navesink Challenge Race and to Bruce Jacobi for the 5K. Team AY is a strong example of perseverance and what can be accomplished together via teamwork. Team AY reminds everyone they need to take care of both the body and the mind/spirit. We need to continue to be a Light onto the Nations during these very trying & uncertain times. Increasing awareness of physical & mental fitness will help all as we approach the year end holiday season. Thank you for your continued support of Team AY. This year's campaign ends on Dec. 11, 2017 so please send checks payable to Cong AY to [1587 Rt 27, Edison, NJ 08817](mailto:1587_Rt_27_Edison_NJ_08817). For step by step instructions how to make your tax deductible donation to Team AY online, please go to [www.ayedison.org](http://www.ayedison.org)

### RPRY NEWS AND EVENTS

-RPRY Annual Toby Mayer Memorial Scholarship Breakfast to benefit the RPRY Scholarship Fund. Educator Excellence Award to be presented to Elise Berlin. Sunday Dec 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:30AM at RPRY.

-RPRY CAMP KULANU - Register NOW for: Camp Kulanu at RPRY(18mos-3rd Grade)- 6/25 - 8/17 Camp Kulanu - Maccabi Boys (4th-8th Grade) 6/25 - 7/20. The NEW Camp Kulanu - Maccabi Girls (4th-8th Grade)-8/6 to 8/17 Receive UP TO \$50 Off Your Camp Tuition... a little Chanukah Treat from RPRY!! Registration deadline and non-refundable payment in full Tue-Dec 19th

### BAT MITZVAH PROJECT

Please support Raimee Schanzer's Bat Mitzvah cookbook project, raising money for Zichron Menachem, an Israeli charity that benefits children with cancer. Raimee is selling a cookbook of recipes from friends and family. Cookbooks \$36 each or 3 for \$100 (Autographed copies for donations of \$180 and up). 100% of the proceeds go to charity, with checks made payable directly to Zichron Menachem. Orders can be placed by texting/calling 917-584-1356 or by dropping off/ mailing to 14 Ryan Rd Edison NJ 08817.

### RJJ ANNUAL LADIES LUNCHEON & CHINESE AUCTION

Honoring Mrs. Shelly Presby  
This Sun Dec 10th, 12:00 noon Cong Ohr Torah 48 Edgemount Rd Edison. GUEST SPEAKER: RABBI HILLEL FELDMAN:  
"WE CAN ALL BE CHASHMONOIM"

### ANNUAL NJ FIDF TRIBUTE DINNER

Please join us as we pay tribute to NJ's Lone Soldiers and celebrate the heroes of the IDF. You're invited to the 13th Annual New Jersey FIDF Tribute Dinner on Dec 10<sup>th</sup> AT 5pm. This year's event will be at the Teaneck Marriott. Special Guest: Avi Issacharoff, Co-Creator of Netflix original series [Fauda](#) and expert on Arab affairs Tickets or Info: Monica [Steinberg@FIDF.org](mailto:Steinberg@FIDF.org) or 646-274-9646

### PRE-CHANUKAH WOMEN'S SHIUR AT OE

Please join us at OE Sun, Dec 10<sup>th</sup> at 7PM for a Pre-Chanukah Shiur given by Dr. Chani Miller, titled, "[The Nature of Miracles](#)." All women of the community are invited to attend.

### FOR WOMEN

-Parsha class by Mrs. Miri Cohen: No class Tues Dec 5. Class resumes 12/12 at home of Leah Epshtein, 253 Lawrence Ave, HP. For info, please call Leah at [917-763-1848](tel:917-763-1848).  
-Rebbitzin Eichenstein's classes for women: No class on Sunday, Dec. 10th. Parsha class will be on Monday, Dec. 11th at 8pm at Congregation Ohr Torah. For more info, please contact Ricki at 732-828-6939 or [rickistern@yahoo.com](mailto:rickistern@yahoo.com)  
-Shimiras Haloshon class by Mrs. Leah Drillman: Mon, Dec 11, 27th 7:30PM at Smith house, 407 N. 8<sup>th</sup> Ave. Ellen [201-410-1893](tel:201-410-1893) or [732-777-6787](tel:732-777-6787)  
-Tehillim group: There is a new Woman's Tehillim group every Shabbos afternoon at 3:45PM at Cong Etz Ahaim, 230 Dennison St, HP Please join us.

### GEMACHS

-Diaper Gemach:Diapers, pullups,wipes needed for HP/Edison Gemach. Email [diapergemach@gmail.com](mailto:diapergemach@gmail.com).  
-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.

### PARK MIKVAH

-Hours: Sun-Thur hours are 8PM-10:30PM. Fri night by appt only-leave message at [732-249-2411](tel:732-249-2411) or via website. Motzai Shabbos Dec & Jan 7:30PM-10PM.  
- Save the date! Melave Malka on Motzai Shabbos, Feb 10<sup>th</sup> at Ohr Torah. Speaker: the Honorable Judge Ruchie Freier. For women only. More details to follow. For info and to help sponsor event, email [hpmikvah@gmail.com](mailto:hpmikvah@gmail.com) or call [516-526-0941](tel:516-526-0941).

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**E-MAIL LIST:** To join OT email list, contact Gene Wasserman at [genew@compugene.com](mailto:genew@compugene.com).  
**KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP:** To sponsor Kiddush or reserve Kiddush room contact Mel Barenholtz email: [mbarenh@yahoo.com](mailto:mbarenh@yahoo.com).

**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](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.

### 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@optonline.net](mailto:siegeldad@optonline.net).

### 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, [www.ohrtorah.net](http://www.ohrtorah.net), 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](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 database, go to [ohrtorah.net](http://ohrtorah.net) 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 [@hp\\_ervu](https://twitter.com/hp_ervu).
- 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\\_ervu](https://twitter.com/hp_ervu) to 40404. Go to the Eruv webpage for complete directions on [setting up text messaging](#) the [Highland Park Eruv](#) website.
- Facebook: Follow the [@hperuv](#) Facebook group. Webpage: The [Highland Park Eruv](#) webpage displays the Twitter updates on the [Home](#) page and on the [News](#) page.
- Phone Hotline: The Phone hotline at 732-246---ERUV is updated before Shabbat.
- Email Alerts: Go to the [Highland Park Eruv](#) webpage, and sign up.

### Parshas Miketz

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