



# Congregation Ohr Torah

## Weekly Announcements

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Parshat Balak

17 Tammuz 5778

June 30, 2018

**Pre-Plag Mincha:** 6:00 PM  
**Candlelighting:** 8:14 PM  
**Mincha:** 7:00, 7:30 & 8:20 PM  
**Shacharis:** 7:45, 9 & 9:15 AM

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

**Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A):** 9:15 AM

**Kollel Mincha:** 6:00 PM

*Rabbi Luban's Moed Katan Shiur – 7:15 PM*

**Mincha:** 1:45 PM & 8:05 PM

*Shalosh Seudos speaker: Dr. Danny Rosenblatt*

**Maariv:** 9:15 PM

**Shabbos Ends:** 9:22PM

**Weekday Shacharis:**

Sun. *see 17 Tamuz schedule*

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

Tue. & Fri. 6:30, 7:10, 8 & 9 AM

Weds. (July 4) 7:15, 8 & 9 AM

**Early Mincha Sun. *see 17 Tamuz Schedule***

**Early Mincha Mon.-Thu. 5:45 PM**

**Mincha/Maariv: 8:20 PM**

**Late Maariv: 10:10 PM**

**SHIURIM**

- Rabbi Akiva Sauer's Shiur on Daf Yomi Be'Iyun – cancelled this week

- Rabbi Luban's Monday night shiur will not take place during the summer and will resume after Sukkos.

- Rabbi Malitzky's Chafetz Chaim Shiur – cancelled this week

**Daf Yomi Schedule**

*One hour before Mincha on Shabbos*

*Monday-Thursday- 7:30 PM*

*Friday-after Maariv, Shabbos -one hour before*

*Mincha, Sunday-after 8am Shacharis.*

### **KIDDUSH**

Kiddush is being sponsored anonymously in honor of an OT Shul member.

Kiddush is available for July 14, 21 and 28.

### **SHALOSH SEUDOS**

Shalosh Seudos is being sponsored by Riki and Moish Nat in honor of the Yahtzeits of both of Moish's parents, Shmuel Zev Ben Chaim and Sara Chana Bas Shlomo A"H.

### **WEEKDAY SHACHARIS**

There will be a 9 AM weekday morning Minyan from now through the end of the summer. The Minyan will take place downstairs in the YFM room.

### **RABBI MALITZKY JULY 4 SHIUR**

Rabbi Malitzky will be giving a special Shiur after the 8am Shacharis Minyan on Wednesday morning: *The United States- a Jewish Approach to the President, the Flag and Pledging Allegiance*. Breakfast will be served in the social hall followed by the Shiur. All men and women are encouraged to attend.

### **SEFORIM DONATIONS**

At the request of Rabbis Luban/Malitzky OT has ordered an additional 50 ArtScroll Kinos

books. Please consider sponsoring these (@ \$25 donation each) for the Shul's benefit. Please contact Barry Siegel (siegeldad@gmail.com) to sponsor.

### **17 TAMUZ SCHEDULE**

#### **Sunday July 1**

Fast Starts: 4:19 AM

Shacharis: 7, 8 & 9 AM

Early Mincha: 1:45 PM

Mincha/ Maariv: 8:00 PM

Late Maariv: 9:00 PM

Fast Ends: 9:22 PM

### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **ACTT**

New ACTT Module and Event: The ACTT "Hakaras HaTov - Gratitude 4" Module already started on 6/10. The source book, "The Garden of Miracles - Say Thank You and See Miracles" by Rabbi Shalom Arush, is available at the Judaica Gallery at a discount. The Modules page of the ACTT web site, [www.actt613.org/3.html](http://www.actt613.org/3.html), has the Learning Schedule. On Sunday, 7/15 at 8:30PM at Ahavas Achim, Rabbi Eliyahu Kaufman will pay special tribute to the memory of Alice Gordon, a"h, and then speak about "HaKaras HaTov; Unlocking One's Inner Greatness". If you have any questions, please contact Phil Rosen at 732.572.8762.

#### **JEWISH FAMILY SERVICE**

- VOLUNTEER JFS GRANT WRITER –WANTED Jewish Family Services of Middlesex County is seeking a volunteer to write corporate, government and family foundation grants that might be available to the agency. A person with a background in writing grants for a non-profit organization would be ideal; but we would consider any individual motivated to learn the strategies and techniques of grant writing. We see this as a part-time, perhaps 10-15 hours per week non-paid volunteer position. If you are interested in volunteering or would like additional info please contact Murray Katz via email at [katzmurray@yahoo.com](mailto:katzmurray@yahoo.com).

#### **TORAHKID LEAGUES RETURNS**

TorahKid Leagues is back again for its 9th exciting season! Sunday morning sports fun for boys (ages 5-11) in July and August, at the Highland Park High School baseball field. Games run from 10am to 12noon. Competitive play in baseball, soccer, and flag football, with supervised instruction. For more info, please contact Rabbi Lasar at [TKLsports@aol.com](mailto:TKLsports@aol.com) or at (732) 985-1050. *Caps and jerseys available only while supplies last!* Batter Up July 8!

#### **GIRLS TALENT SHOW**

Join Edison/HP's first community wide all girls talent show! For girls by girls! August 26th 6-8 pm. Local venue to be determined. \$25 for one participant, \$35 family cap Sponsorships available. Ages 8-12. Individual and group performances welcome. First, second and third place prizes to be awarded by a panel of independent judges. All net proceeds to be given to Yad Ten Hachnosas Kallah. To participate and obtain more info,

register at [Girlsgottalent2018@gmail.com](mailto:Girlsgottalent2018@gmail.com). For more info contact Ahuva Morris 908-227-3155.

**RABBI YISROEL WEISS WEDNESDAY SHIUR** Rabbi Yisroel Weiss shiur, "Living with Tehillim", for men and women: Wed evenings 8:30PM at the Eiserman's home, 154 North 10th Ave, HP. Info, Marsha at 732-503-8675.

#### **BIKUR CHOLIM:**

- WEBSITE: [bikurcholimrv.com](http://bikurcholimrv.com). Website provides info regarding Bikur Cholim services, including how to access our local hospitals on Shabbat, how to borrow medical equipment, and how to get prescription medication on Shabbat.

#### **STORY SLAM EVENT FOR WOMEN ; SIPS -**

#### **STORIES - SOCIALIZE**

Highland Park/Edison Connects invites the women of the community (21 and over) to Story Slam, a fun filled evening of laughter and bonding taking place next Motzai Shabbos July 7th, at 9:30pm at the home of Zev and Rachele Stern, 27 Brookdale Court, HP. Highland Park/Edison Connects is a COMMUNITY organization geared towards promoting Achdus and Connection between all the women in town and is dedicated in loving memory of Bina Stern Blumenfrucht who exemplified these attributes. There is no cost to attend but we would appreciate if you would RSVP by emailing [highlandparkedisonconnects-owner@yahoo.com](mailto:highlandparkedisonconnects-owner@yahoo.com)

#### **HIGHLAND PARK/EDISON CONNECTS**

Highland Park/Edison Connects was formed with the goal of connecting the community and increasing the sense of achdus as well as the flow of communication and information between the various Orthodox shuls, schools, institutions, and organizations.

One way that HP/Edison Connects achieves this goal is via the HP/Edison Connects Yahoo List serve, where members can share information about community-wide events, classes, and happenings. Additionally we have liaisons from each of the Orthodox shuls who are responsible for posting their respective weekly shul announcements and there is a "School Happenings" representative who is responsible for posting relevant weekly information from each of the three Orthodox schools in our community: Netivot Montessori, Rabbi Pesach Raymon Yeshiva (RPRY), and Yeshiva Sharei Tzion. (YST) Another important role that HP/Edison Connects plays is that of welcoming new families to the community on behalf of all the Orthodox shuls in town. A welcome basket and information packet, with representation and information about each of the Orthodox shuls in town, is given out to all newcomers to our community. Likewise, the members of the hospitality committee, with one representative from each shul, are jointly responsible for helping to ensure that all new families have plenty of opportunities to meet new people via Shabbos and Yom Tov meals! If you know of someone who has recently moved into the community who has not yet been welcomed by HP/Edison Connects please email us their contact info at [Rachele\\_Stern@Yahoo.com](mailto:Rachele_Stern@Yahoo.com) Lastly HP/Edison Connects works to bring together

**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.**

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volunteers from all the different facets of the community and help them in any way possible to effectively organize, advertise, and run community-wide events so that the whole community feels represented and welcomed. If you have additional ideas for events, programming, or committees, contact us at [highlandparkedisonconnects-owner@yahoo.com](mailto:highlandparkedisonconnects-owner@yahoo.com)

### **ROSH CHODESH SHIDDUCH GROUP MEETING**

The next Rosh Chodesh Shidduch Group will meet Wed July 18 at 8PM. Meeting will take place at the Ravitz Home, 60 Hamlin Rd. We will be connecting with the L'Chaim Global Shidduch Event. Everyone is welcome, whether you are presenting or not, but please include a picture with any resume.

### **FOR WOMEN**

PLEASE NOTE: Shimiras Haloshon class by Mrs. Leah Drillman resumes in the fall.  
-Rabbi Bassous Pirkei Avos Class for Women at Etz Ahaim every Sun 10AM  
-Rebbitzin Eichenstein's classes for women Call / text Aviva 732-672-7104 or [siegelmom@gmail.com](mailto:siegelmom@gmail.com) for status of Sun, July 1 and Mon July 2 classes.  
- Mrs. Miri Cohen: Parsha Class resumes in the Fall  
-Tehillim group: The women's Tehillim group meets every Shabbos 5PM at Etz Ahaim, 230 Dennison St, HP. Info Etz Ahaim is 732-247-3839.

### **TIFERES**

DVD for women Motzai Shabbos, June 3 10:15PM at the Siegel house: "A Serene Home even on Erev Shabbos - Is it Possible?" with speakers: Rabbi Nachman Seltzer and Mrs. Seryl Berman. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are available to Tiferes members. Current teleconference: "Summer Parenting with Mrs. Ruth Lynn". For more info or to become a member, contact Aviva at [siegelmom@gmail.com](mailto:siegelmom@gmail.com). The HP/Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.

### **GEMACHS**

-Sheitl Gemach: Brayla Custom Wigs is happy to announce they are now also a sheitl gemach. Wigs of all conditions will be accepted. All welcome from any location for drop off and pick up. Contact: [Renee@braylawigs.com](mailto:Renee@braylawigs.com) 908-208-5738. Located in Edison, NJ  
-Diaper Gemach HP/Edison: Diapers, pullups, wipes needed 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.  
- New Kittel gemach available! If you – or someone you know--needs to borrow a kittel, please call Jeff or Lee Ann Schein at [732-545-9353](tel:732-545-9353). Four sizes avail. Kittel gemach 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

### **PARK MIKVAH**

Amazon. Use the following link: <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-7037953>. A donation will be made to Park Mikvah. Sun-Thur hours are 9PM-11PM. Friday night by appt only by leaving a message at 732-249-2411 or via the website or call / text 732-221-8155. All Motzai Shabbos in June: 10:15-11:30 PM. Motzai Shabbos July 7, 14, 28: 10:15 - 11:30 PM. July 1 (17th of Tammuz) and July 22 (Motzai Tisha B'Av): 10:15 - 11:30 PM. Closed July 21 (Tisha B'Av). Please continue to check [www.parkmikvah.org](http://www.parkmikvah.org) and voice message at 732-249-2411 for updates.  
- Have you participated in this incredible mitzvah campaign yet? Go to [www.parkmikvah.org/donate](http://www.parkmikvah.org/donate) to help raise the remaining funds!

**OHR TORAH NEWSLETTER:** To subscribe to Announcements, go to [www.ohrtorah.net](http://www.ohrtorah.net)  
**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 Russell Adler or Elie Wiesel at [reservations@ohrtorah.net](mailto:reservations@ohrtorah.net)  
**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@gmail.com](mailto:siegeldad@gmail.com).  
**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.

**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](https://www.facebook.com/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 732-247---ERUV is updated before Shabbat.  
-Email Alerts: Go to the [Highland Park Eruv](#) webpage, and sign up.

### **Parshat Pinchas**

Candlelighting – 8:12 PM  
Mincha – 7:00, 7:30 & 8:20 PM

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### **Sof Davar**

### **R. Yekutiel Yehuda Greenwald (1889-1955)**

**by Moshe Sherman**

For almost 80 years, Cong. Beth Jacob in Columbus, Ohio had only two rabbis who served as leaders of the shul, Rabbi Yekutiel Yehuda Greenwald (from 1924-1955) and Rabbi David Stavsky, who served the congregation for 47 years, until his death in 2004. We will focus on the achievements of R. Yekutiel Y. Greenwald. In the next issue of Sof Davar, we will discuss the career of Rabbi David Stavsky.

Born in 1889 in Sziget, Hungary, Greenwald studied with some of the great Hungarian Torah scholars, and received semicha from Rabbi Moshe Greenwald, the Rav of Chust, author of *Arugat ha-Bosem* on Tanach. During his teenage years, he left Hungary for Frankfurt-am-Main, Germany, to continue his Talmud studies with Rabbi Nechemiah Zvi Nobel, and to attend university in Frankfurt, studying philosophy and history. In 1903, along with several other students from Unsdorf, Greenwald went to Pressburg to participate at a world conference of Mizrachi headed by Rabbi Yitzchak Yaakov Reines. Inspired by the ideas of religious Zionism, R. Greenwald remained a lifelong, devoted champion of Mizrachi.

As a young man, R. Greenwald showed a keen interest in Jewish history, studying communal record books, tombstones and correspondence of former rabbis in Hungary and abroad. In 1905, he published his first article, and at the age of 19, his first book was printed in Sziget, on the life of the 18<sup>th</sup> century Rav Yonathan Eibeshutz. Other works of Jewish history including *Toldot Gedolei ha-Dor* (Sziget, 1908); *Zikhron l'Rishonim* (Satmar, 1909); *Shem ha-Gedolim* (Sziget, 1910); and *Toldot ha-Gaon Maharam Schick* (Lemberg, 1910) marked the beginning of a prolific career as an author of Jewish history.

Serving for a while as a rabbi in Nagy Szeben, Hungary, Greenwald also worked as a journalist for several Hungarian publications, and during World War I operated as a telegraph operator in the Austro-Hungarian army. In Nagy Szeben, he married the daughter of Rabbi Zvi Halevi Ish Horowitz. After settling in Budapest following the war, Greenwald emigrated to America in 1924. He served as rabbi of a Brooklyn congregation for less than a year before accepting a rabbinic position at Congregation Beth Jacob in Columbus, Ohio, where he remained for the rest of his life.

As a Hungarian rabbi with an interest in chochmat yisrael, Greenwald found himself on the fringe of Orthodox rabbinic politics, which was dominated by Lithuanian rabbis. But he came to be regarded as a distinguished writer of Jewish law and history. R. Greenwald's comprehensive discussion of the laws of mourning, *Kol Bo al Aveilut* was not only highly regarded by his colleagues, but is still studied at yeshivot to this day. And his research and writing on rabbinic personalities remains notable. He contributed hundreds of articles in English, German, Hungarian, Hebrew and Yiddish, publishing almost one book each year, including *Toldot HaRav Elazar Kalir u'Zemano* (New York, 1944); *Toyzint yor Yiddish lebn in Ungarn* (New York, 1945); and *l'Toldot ha-Sanhedrin b'Yisrael* (New York, 1950).

R. Greenwald died on April 11, 1955 in Columbus, Ohio.