



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

<http://www.ohrtorah.net>

48 Edgemount Road Edison, NJ 08817

Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi

Jeff Klein - President

Rabbi Sariel Malitzky – Assistant Rabbi

Parshat Shoftim

7 Elul 5779

September 7,, 2019

Candlelighting: 7:03 PM
Mincha: 7:10 PM
Shacharis: 7:45, 9 & 9:15 AM
Hashkama Speaker – David Waizer
Rabbi Hoffman's Halacha B'iyun Shiur after Hashkama
Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A): 9:42 AM
Rabbi Luban's Moed Katan Shiur – 5:10PM
Rabbi Shapiro's Shiur : "Utilizing the Gift of Elul" 6:00 PM
Mincha: 1:45, 6:45PM
Note earlier Mincha time to accommodate Scholar in Residence
Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Rabbi Ephraim Shapiro
Maariv: 8:05 PM
Shabbos Ends: 8:10 PM

Weekday Shacharis:

Sun. 7:15, 8 & 9 AM
Mon. & Thu 6:20, 7:05 & 8 AM
Tue, Wed & Fri 6:30, 7:10, & 8 AM
Early Mincha Sun. 1:45 PM
Mincha/Maariv: 7:00 PM
Late Maariv: 10:10 PM

Rabbi Akiva Sauer's Daf Yomi B'Yun shiur – Sunday after 7:15 Shacharis

Daf Yomi

Monday- Thursday: after Z'man M'aariv
Friday -after Maariv, Shabbos – one hour before Mincha,

CARLEBACH MINYAN

There will be a Carlebach Minyan at 6:45PM on Friday night in the YFM room. Davening will be led by our own Srulee Hercman.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week is sponsored by the Zinkin, Gerszberg and Ornstein families to commemorate Aryeh Leib Zinkin's third Yahrzeit. May his Neshama have an Aliya. Kiddush sponsorship is available the second and seventh days of Sukkos and Shabbos Chol Hamoad

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by the Kreitman, Samel, B. Schanzer, and Schneider families.

YAMIM NORAIM SEATING

The lists of members who reserved seats are now posted outside the Main Shul and the Hashkama minyan. Please review your respective posting to assure that the committee correctly entered your information. Corrections should be brought to Arthur Atlas or David Waizer. We look forward to welcoming our members and their families for the Yamim Noraim. Thank you.

OHR TORAH YOUTH PROGRAM RAFFLE

Please help support Ohr Torah's youth programs 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 in November. Please contact Barry Siegel (siegeldad@gmail.com), or new youth director Aaron Breslin or Ami Avraham to purchase tickets.

All proceeds support the OT Youth programs.

MAZEL TOV

..to Andrew & Marcia Freedman upon the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter, Dede Horowitz. Mazel Tov to Dede's parents, Yitzy & Shani Horowitz and her brothers, Tani & Naftali and to grandparents Mendy and Honny Aron of Fair Lawn, NJ.

...to Chaya Gurkov upon the marriage last week of her grandson, Yakov Gurkov to Chaya Basya Gutnik. Mazel Tov to Yakov's parents, Rabbi Michal and Chani Gurkov. and to the entire Gurkov and Gutnik families.
...to Michal and Shaya Nojovitz on the birth of twin boys!!

The Shalom Zachor will be at 9:30 PM tonight at 66 Hamlin Rd (home of Meir and Nechi Cohen).

MOTZEI SHABBOS CHIZUK

Rabbi Malitzky will be giving a Shiur "Rekindling our Relationship with HaShem" for college age women this Motzei Shabbos 9/7 at 9:30pm at the Lefkowitz home (223 Lincoln Ave).

ARYEH ZINKIN, Z"L, MEMORIAL SHABBOS SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE

This Shabbos our community will host Rabbi Ephraim Shapiro, as its Scholar In Residence. Rabbi Shapiro, is the Rav at Congregation Shaarey Tefilah in North Miami Beach and is renowned as one of the most popular and powerful speakers in the world today. This Shabbos has been generously sponsored by the Zinkin, Gerszberg, and Ornstein families.

-Friday night: 9:30pm in the main Shul- "*Don't Overcharge and Don't Underpay, The Power of Speech*"

-Shabbos morning derasha (after davening at approximately 11am)- "*Three On a Motorcycle - Living a Life of Kiddush Hashem*"

-Shabbos afternoon- 6pm in the main shul "*Utilizing the Gift of Elul*"

-Between Mincha (6:45) and Maariv (after a quick Shalosh Seduos) "*Removing the Darkness - One Act at Time*"

OHR TORAH OPENING YOUTH CARNIVAL

GRADES K-12 & FAMILIES, SUNDAY - SEPT 22nd 1-4pm. 48 Edgemount Road, Edison,

NJ. Suggested donation: \$10 per person; \$30 per family. BBQ Buffet served inside

MEDICAL HALACHA SHIUR

On Sunday morning 9/15, Ohr Torah will be hosting Rav Yossi Sprung for a special shiur on complex medical situations and fasting on Yom Kippur. The Shiur will take place at 8:45am (after the 8am Minyan) in the Beis Medrash. In addition to being a big Talmid Chacham and a Musmach of Rav Asher Weiss, Rav Sprung is the Rosh Beit Medrash of Beit Medrash Govoha for Medical Halacha associated with the Technion American Medical School in Haifa. Rav Sprung sends out a weekly medical Halacha email (in English and Hebrew) which is read by hundreds of doctors and other medical professionals.

CONDOLENCES

We regret to inform you of the passing of Ricki Nat's mother Mrs. Sara Kadry. Ricki is now sitting Shiva at her home 32 Edgemount Rd. Edison, NJ 08817 until September 10. Visiting hours are 9 AM to 5 PM and 6 PM to 9:30 PM.

May you be comforted amongst the mourners of Zion and Yerushalayim.

WISH – MRS. JACKIE BITTON IS COMING FOR SHABBOS

We are excited to welcome Mrs. Jackie Bitton for WISH (Women's inspirational Shabbos)! Mrs. Bitton, a dynamic speaker, engaging personality, and inspiring figure will be joining us for Shabbos 9/21. There will be a Friday night oneg for High School and College girls, a shiur for women in the OT social hall on Shabbos afternoon, and a special women's Shalosh Seudos in the later part of afternoon. This Shabbos has been generously sponsored by the Ohr Torah Sisterhood.

ANNUAL PRE-ROSH HASHANA TESHUVA LECTURE

Cong Ohr Torah and American Friends of Yad Eliezer are proud to announce the twentieth Annual Pre-Rosh Hashana Teshuva lecture in memory of I. David and Miriam Goldstein, beloved parents of Charyn Atlas and Joyce Nissel.

The lecture this year, "Are There Limits to Forgiveness" will be delivered by Rabbi Jacob J Schacter, Professor of Jewish Thought and Senior Scholar, Center for the Jewish Future, Yeshiva University. The event will take place on Sunday, Sept 22 at 7:30PM at Cong Ohr Torah. Refreshments will be served. We look forward to seeing you.

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

SHUL SECURITY

Security orientation and review. There is a continuing need for new volunteers to join the security team. The shul has provided for increased safety of our security personnel. An orientation and review session will be held September 15 at 7:30 pm. Please consider joining the security team contact Jonathan Teitelbaum or Keith Peckman for additional information.

CALLING ALL YOUTH LEADERS!

If you would like to apply for a youth group leader/assistant position for the upcoming year beginning in September, applications available in the shul and on the shul website <http://www.ohrtorah.net>. Send completed applications to breslin.aaron@gmail.com. Looking forward to hearing from you!

LUNCH & LEARN PROGRAM

Presents The Jewish Journey America. Narrated by Martha Teichner, the film follows the trajectory of Jewish American life from the earliest arrivals in the mid-17th century through the impact of the Nazi regime in World War II, the creation of Israel, and the new challenges of 21st century assimilation. Explore the personal stories many faced as they migrated to America, whether for economic opportunity or to escape persecution. Length of film 2pprox. 60 minutes D'var Torah: Gene Wasserman Introduction: Henry Schanzer will speak about his own experiences coming to America. (If anyone knows someone who came to America from one of the Arab lands who would be willing to speak for a short time please let me know.) Please let us know by Fri, Sept 6th if you can join us. There will be a charge of \$12 per person to help defray the cost of the meal.

Date: Tues, Sept 10th Time: 12:00 noon

THANK YOU FROM THE PARETZKY FAMILY

We would like to thank Rabbi Luban for all his guidance and support over the past 21 years throughout Harvey's illness. There are no words to express our appreciation. We would also like to thank the community for the thousands of Tefillos, Tehillim and Chesed initiatives enacted on Harvey's behalf.

- The Paretzky Family

IN MEMORY OF HARVEY PARETZKY

Harvey Paretzky was an inspiration to many people. We are putting together a book for the Paretzky family of our fond memories of Harvey. Please send your thoughts and stories about Harvey so this can be a source of nechama to his family and they can look at it for years to come. Submit your stories, short or long, to memoriesofharvey@gmail.com by Sept 22. Thank you. Fran Leitman & Debbie Schneider

SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

-Robert & Riki Kreitman in memory of Tzippy Rapp's father Rabbi Chaim Zev Bomzer ZT"l
-Robert & Riki Kreitman in honor of the milestone anniversary of Jonas & Clara Waizer

-Chaya Gurkov in memory of Rabbi Shmuel Dovid Gurkov ben Yaakov Yosef (10 Elul Yahrtzeit) Z"l

-Chaya Gurkov in memory of Michel & Channah Breina Gordon & brother Chaim Gordon Z"l

MISSING SEFER

The Sefer "Veha'arev Na" (Halachic Challenges and Solutions Based on the Weekly Parsha) Volume 1 by Rabbi Zilberstein is missing from the Beis Medrash library. Please return or inform Barry Siegel or Herb Engel of status.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

RPRY

3rd Annual Bakesale benefiting RPRY Plus Wednesday evening September 25, 7:30-8:30 at the Ginsberg home, 15 Marshall Drive, Edison. All sorts of desserts and Challah for Yom Tov. Come early for best selection.

ACTT

ACTT (Achieving Change Through Torah) program helps individuals succeed in making meaningful and lasting changes in their lives. New module to begin after the chaggim: "Kiddush Hashem - Sanctification of G-d's Name 2"; Source book: "A Life Worth Living - Stories and Ideas for Constant Kiddush Hashem" by Rabbi Shraga Freedman. More details to follow. Inspirational reading material and shiurim can be found at www.actt613.org. Info, call Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762 or email info@actt613.org

SAFETY & OUR CHILDREN

The safety of RPRY students is of paramount importance and we must be especially vigilant about traffic during arrival (7:30-8:15 AM) and dismissal (3:15 to 4:15 PM) times. To ensure the safety of our students, and in consultation with the Edison Police and Yeshiva's Security Committee, please note the following:

- The carpool lane on Edgemount Road, including in front of the playground and trailer, must remain completely clear during arrival and dismissal. Please do not park there.
- Please drive slowly, do not use a cell phone while driving, and be very aware of children walking to and from their cars and the school.
- Please do not back up or make a K-Turn or U-turn during arrival or dismissal on Edgemount or Harrison.
- Please do not park in front of the Yeshiva during school hours, on either side of Harrison Street. Rather, please use a legal parking spot. Thank you for your help in protecting our children.

PEACE OF MIND

Peace of Mind is hosting a movie at HPCT 201 south 3rd Ave. HP, Sunday, Sept 8 at 7:30PM. \$20pp/\$50pp includes 6 raffle tickets to win some fabulous prizes. Sponsorships available \$180,\$250,\$360 Rsvp to dteitz@optonline.net or 732-476-4677. If you cannot attend, raffle tickets for a silent auction are available for purchase. Donate online at <https://www.jgive.co.il/new/en/usd/donation-targets/7114>, Email Natalie with bids at naloyets@yahoo.com. Minimum bid is \$50.00 for six tickets. Donation of \$180.00 or more is ten tickets.

EMPLOYMENT NETWORK OF RARITAN VALLEY

Looking for work? We can help. Email Bob Lansey at ENRVInfo@gmail.com if you would like to receive our job postings and/or would like help with your resume and search strategies. Please help: If you know of any professional, part-time, or temporary job openings, please e-mail the info to ENRVInfo@gmail.com

HATZOLAH

Chevre Hatzolah of Middlesex County deeply thanks all who have participated and contributed generously to this year's Shabbos Hatzolah campaign. Indeed, to cover the annual operating budget, Hatzolah needs a minimum of \$100 per family. If you have not yet received a donation form (in person or by mail) contact one of our shul captains, Russell Adler, Arkady Broder, Josh Caplan, Payam Hanian or Shoshana Kaplan. You can also donate online at Hatzolah's website - www.HatzolahMC.org.

where you can also learn more about Hatzolah and volunteer to become part of the Chevre Hatzolah dispatch and response team. When seconds count, we answer the call.

TORAH NEW YORK

The Orthodox Union presents Torah New York indoors at Citifield, Queens on Sunday, September 22. Torah New York will be a wonderful day of learning featuring the Torah world's most inspiring and sought-after teachers, with dozens of classes and panels from which to choose. In addition to the main program, there will be programming for teenagers run by NCSY, including a "Torah Bowl" competition uniting tri-state high schools in Torah knowledge, as well as robust children's programming, including GrowTorah, a shofar factory, a kosher chocolate factory, and much more.

GUEST SPEAKER

Distinguished Israeli journalist and Kiryat Shemona Hesder Yeshiva alumnus Yair Kraus will speak on "Strengthening Israel's North Through Resilience and Security" and the impact of the Kiryat Shemona Hesder Yeshiva and Bizzur program in the Galil on Thursday, Sept 12 at 8pm at the home of Gabrielle and Daniel Altman, 727 Dearborn St., Teaneck. Info, contact michal.natan.1959@gmail.com.

POSTPARTUM DEPRESSION: RAISING AWARENESS AND BREAKING THE STIGMA

Men and women are invited to a special program about Postpartum Depression Sunday, Sept 8 At 10am at Ahavas Achim. Marilyn Laves, LCSWR, a psychotherapist specializing in perinatal mood and anxiety disorders, will address the causes of perinatal mood and anxiety disorders; how postpartum depression differs from the Baby Blues; various treatments; and what we can do as a community to ensure that women do not suffer in silence. Marilyn Laves is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker with a graduate degree from the Silberman School of Social Work at Hunter College. She has worked in the mental health and substance abuse fields for over 20 years providing psychotherapy, clinical supervision, program oversight and training. Ms. Laves is currently in private practice full time and treats a wide range of mental health issues, with expertise in perinatal mood and anxiety disorders and addiction. She regularly gives presentations about perinatal mood and anxiety disorders to the community to raise awareness. In addition, Ms. Laves provides professional trainings for agencies including the New York City Dept of Health and Mental Hygiene and the Homeless Services Training Resource System at the Silberman School of Social Work at Hunter College.

FOR WOMEN

- HIGHLAND PARK/EDISON CONNECTS invites you to join us for our (free) weekly Wednesday Lunch and Learn program! Every Wednesday join other women in our community for words of inspiration and Chizuk over a dairy buffet lunch! Join us Wed, Sept 11th, at 12:30pm at the home of Zehava Feuer 332 N. 8th Ave, Edison for the first of the amazing Tammy Karmel series on Elul. Come be

uplifted, inspired and nourished! This week's program is generously sponsored by the Feuer family Iluy nishmas Zehava's sister; Mrs. Debby Shick, a'h, Devorah Raizel bas Avraham Yosef. RSVP the night before

to Rachelle.stern@yahoo.com

-The Ahavas Yisroel Women's Learning Program is pleased to announce our next Shiur: Mrs. Claire Snow will speak on the topic: "Insights into the Teshuva Process" Please join us on Shabbat afternoon, Sept. 21st, 2019 at 4PM at the home of Sharon and Leon Glaser 15 Barlow Road, Edison Info: sharonnglaser@gmail.com
-Tiferes: DVD for women Motzai Shabbos, Sept. 14 at 9:30 PM at the Siegel house: "Real Teshuvah – Reflecting, Reflections, Reflectors". Speakers: Rabbi Baruch M. Hilsenrath and Mrs. Seryl Berman. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are available to Tiferes members. Current teleconference: "Teshuva – Real Change in Real Time" with Mrs. Chani Juravel. Info/to become a member, contact Aviva siegelmom@gmail.com
The HP/Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.

- Rebbitzin Eichenstein's classes for women: Tefillah class Sun, Sept. 8 at 11AM at the Aguda shul; no class Mon, Sept. 9. Info call/text Aviva [732-672-7104](tel:732-672-7104) or siegelmom@gmail.com

BIKUR CHOLIM:

- Special Mitzvah opportunity for men and post high school boys: A year and 3 months ago, Rabbi Aaron (Ahrele) Oster, a respected teacher & ben Torah from Monsey, suffered a Septic shock. With Hashem's miracles & Klal Yisrael's Tefilos, his life was saved and is on the road to recovery. Unfortunately, his limbs couldn't be saved and he needed to undergo a quadruple amputation several months ago. For the continuation of his recovery & rehab, Arele was recently transferred from Boston to the AristaCare Rehab facility in South Plainfield, to be closer to family and friends. The family has set up shifts for visitation whereby there is an almost constant presence by immediate and extended family & friends at his bedside. *Please help Rabbi Oster and his family by taking an empty time slot and going over for a short visit in times of need.* A What's App chat is being formed - please join even if you have limited availability. Slots would be posted on the chat. Please reply privately if you can visit and/or to be added to the chat: Rabbi Shmuel Gancz 845-746-1927 or Mrs. Oster 845-596-4868. Please continue to daven for Aharon ben Chana for a complete Refuah. In the zechus of this mitzvah, may you be blessed with health, nachas & prosperity. On behalf of the family, thank you so, so much!

LEFKOVITS FAMILY PARK MIKVAH:

- Please support the mikvah while purchasing on Amazon. Use the following link:

<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-7037953>. A donation will be made to Lefkovits Family Park Mikvah. -September Hours:

- Sun – Thu: 9PM – 11PM
- Sept 7, 14, 21, 28: 9PM – 11PM
- Sept 29-30: Rosh Hashana – appt only

All Friday night appts should be made online at www.parkmikvah.org. Alternatively they can be made by texting/calling (732) 221-8155. Note: From 4/28/19-5/10/19, text/call (732) 470-1041. If you have any questions or to make an out of hours appt, please text (732) 221-8155 or email hpmikvah@gmail.com.

GEMACHS

Etz Ahaim has a complete listing of all local area gemachs at <https://www.etzahaim.org/local-gemachs/>.

- Lev Lenefesh centerpiece Gemach number has changed to (732) 630-9148.

-Sheitl Gemach: Brayla Custom Wigs is happy to announce they are also a sheitl gemach. Wigs of all conditions accepted. All welcome-any location for drop off/pick up. Renee@braylawigs.com 908-208-5738. Located in Edison, NJ

-Diaper Gemach HP/Edison: Diapers, pullups, wipes needed Email diapergemach@gmail.com.

-The Edison/HP gown gmach has a large variety of gowns for all ages. Some toddler boys tuxedos are also available. Text 5165260941 for more info.

- New Kittel gemach available! If you – or someone you know--needs to borrow a kittel, 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, hat, accessories, sheitles. Donate and receive. Contact: call, text or email. Mrs. Gina Gittel Tonkonog 347-615-3294, ginatonkonog@gmail.com. Also contact for no-charge Kallah Classes, as originally taught by Rebbetzin Tehilla Abramov.

OHR TORAH NEWSLETTER: Subscribe to Announcements, go to www.ohrtorah.net

E-MAIL LIST: To join OT email list, contact Gene Wasserman at genew@compugene.com.

KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP: To sponsor Kiddush or reserve Kiddush room contact Russell Adler or Elie Wiesel at 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 email with all dedicatory wording to marty@rivieradoors.com. For more info, call Moish at 732-759-8070 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.

HOUSEKEEPING: Housekeeping issues and inquiries contact Lou Smith ludeeju@gmail.com or 732-572-5633.

KEILIM MIKVAH HOURS: Ohr Torah Keilim Mikvah hours are officially Sundays 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, 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

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

LOCAL ERUV: We have six official ways of alerting you to eruv's status. Be aware and find out eruv status every week before Shabbat and Chaggim.

•Twitter: Eruv's official alerts are sent out via Twitter. Follow @hp_ervu on Twitter Get updates about eruv's status as it's been determined.

•Text Messages: Don't have a Smartphone or don't want to use Twitter? Get alerts via text. This involves setting up a Twitter account, but once setup, you can ignore your Twitter account. It gives you immediate alerts without Twitter blather.

•Facebook: Facebook group @hperuv that gets updated when we update Twitter account. Follow Facebook group (don't just "Like" it), and you'll get alerts about the eruv's status via Facebook.

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

•Eruv Webpage: The eruv webpage at <http://hperuv.org> has the latest Twitter feed displayed on the bottom of the front page. We also have new webpage at

<http://hperuv.org> with map of exact eruv boundaries, and where you need to be careful about staying inside eruv.

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

Parshas Ki Teitzei

Candlelighting: 6:52 PM
Mincha: 7:00 PM

Ohr Torah can be found at <http://www.ohrtorah.net>. 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.