



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parshat Noach

6 Heshvan 5781

October 24, 2020

Candlelighting: 5:47 PM

Mincha/ Kabolos Shabbos:

5:55 (Main Shul, RPRY Blacktop),

Shacharis:

7:30 (Main Shul),

Hashkamah speaker – Rabi Luban

8:30 (RPRY blacktop),

9:30 AM (Main Shul and Social Hall)

9:30 AM (Teen Minyan, RPRY)

Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A): 10:00 AM

Mincha:

1:45 & 5:40 PM (Main Shul, RPRY Blacktop)

Rabbi Luban's Gemara Chagiga Shiur in Main Shul after Mincha

Maariv: Mincha followed by Maariv at

Shekiya. (RPRY BLACKTOP), 6:50 PM (Main Shul),

Shabbos Ends: 6:54 PM

Weekday Shacharis:

Sunday: 7:15, 8:00 & 9:00 AM (Main Shul)

8:00 AM (Blacktop)

Mon. & Thu.: 6:20 (Mon), 6:23 (Thu.) (Main Shul), 7:05 (Social Hall), 7:00 AM (Blacktop) & 8:00 AM (Main Shul),

Earliest Talis and Tefillin: 6:27 AM Mon., 6:30 AM Thurs.

Tues., Wed, & Fri:

6:30 (Main Shul), 7:00 AM (Blacktop),

7:10 (Social Hall), 8:00AM (Main Shul)

Thurs.: 6:17 (Main Shul), 7:00 AM (Blacktop)

7:10 (Social Hall)

Earliest Talis and Tefillin: 6:28 AM Tues., 6:29 Wed., 6:31 Fri.,

Please note: All blacktop Shacharis Minyanim start at R. Yishmael

Mincha/Maariv: 5:45 PM (Main Shul and Blacktop)

Early Mincha-Sunday (Main Shul) 1:45 PM

Late Maariv: 10:10 PM

Daf Yomi

Our Daf Hayomi Maggid Shiur, Yossi Strauch, will be giving the Daf virtually! Join him at 9am on Sunday and 7:30pm on weekdays.

TUESDAY NIGHT TEHILLIM

The Ohr Torah Tuesday night Men's Tehillim group meets (virtually) starting at 9:30 PM.

For a ZOOM invitation weekly, please email dralansinger@gmail.com

SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

-Jonathan and Lori Caplan in memory of Shoshana Diskind's sister Barbara Cohen Z"l

-Israel & Rebecca Rivkin in honor of Josh & Tzippy Rapps' new granddaughter Leeba Esther Mindick

KEYLIM MIKVAH

Please do not use the Keylim Mikvah Monday through Friday between the hours of 8AM and 4PM.

MAZEL TOV

...to Harriet and Joel Gersten on the birth of a great granddaughter, Leah, born to their grandchildren Dovid and Hadassah Gersten of Lakewood. Mazel Tov as well to the grandparents Morty and Esther Gersten and to the Banner, Dessau and Allen families.

...to Cheryl & Yussi Strauch on the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter Noa Schick of Yerushalayim. Mazel Tov to Noa's parents Shana & Ari Schick & the entire Strauch & Schick families.

...to Tzippy and Josh Rapps on the birth of a daughter, Leeba Esther, to their children, Ricki and Moshe Mindick. Mazal Tov to siblings Shira, Chaim Zev, Simcha Binyamin, to great grandparents Rabbi and Mrs. Moshe Rapps and to the entire family.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

We are excited to welcome younger children back to shul for all Shabbos minyanim beginning this Friday evening! It has been hard for us to come to shul the past few months without our young children. They belong in shul, sitting with their father, mother, grandfather or grandmother. Attending shul plays a critical role in the development of our children into life-long daveners. We cannot wait to welcome them back!

Every Friday night (starting this week), the Rabbis will be telling a short (5 minute) inspiring story based on the Parsha after davening, which will be geared to children through the 6th grade. Children will maintain social distancing while listening to the story. This Shabbos will be Rabbi Malitzky's turn. Additionally, we have two short "Chaburas" for the older children by some of the incredible young college/Yeshiva men of the shul.

This week, Rafi Kreitman will lead a 5-minute Chabura with the 6th-8th graders and Yair Caplan will lead one for the high schoolers.

Please note that we will not have groups yet.

Children must wear masks and be seated next to their parents for the entire davening. We realize, it may be very difficult for younger children not to go out into the hallway and socialize with their friends. Please check with your children to make sure they are comfortable with these requirements.

THANK YOU

Shoshana Diskind and family would like to express their heartfelt gratitude at the comfort and support shown upon the loss of their sister and aunt, Barbara Cohen, Baila bat Mordechai A"H. May we know no more sorrow and share in future S'machot.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS ELECTIONS

Mail in ballots should have been received by every eligible voter. PLEASE VOTE! For information regarding local and state wide elections please contact Dr Israel.Rvkin, 732-735-4862 [rivsi@aol.com](mailto:rivs@aol.com).

CONFRONTING RACISM IN THE ORTHODOX COMMUNITY

The Orthodox Forum of Edison/Highland Park presents Rabbi Jeremy Wieder, Rosh Yeshiva, Yeshiva University, online Sat, Nov 7 at 8pm. Rabbi Wieder will focus on two aspects of racism through the prism of Torah. First, a halakhic/hashkafic evaluation of racism towards specific ethnic groups as well as towards non-Jews more generally. Second will be an exploration of the spiritual character deficiencies implied in the bearers of racist beliefs. Rabbi Jeremy Wieder is the Joseph and Gwendolyn Straus Professor of Talmud at the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary of Yeshiva Univ. and an adjunct Professor of Bible at Yeshiva College. He is the scholar in residence at Cong. Kehillath Jeshurun in Manhattan. Register using the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/y5zt8nyk>. The Orthodox Forum gladly accepts season sponsorships, as well as program sponsorships.

BLOOD DRIVE

On Sun, Nov 22nd, we will be holding our next community blood drive from 9AM to 3PM, at Ahavas Achim, 216 S. First Ave., HP. All social distancing and protective strategies will be in place, but we are now able to return the drives to our community to make it easier for you to donate. New rules apply. Please arrive wearing your mask. Please enter through the main REAR doors of the synagogue. Temperatures of all prospective donors will be taken before entrance to the donor room will be permitted. Though walk-ins will be accepted, this will "space permitting." It is preferred to sign up in advance. To do so, you can go to the New York Blood Center web site (Home | New York Blood Center), and search for our drive under "Donate" (search by zip 08904). You can also go directly to the sign-up page: https://donate.nybc.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/275539

RARITAN VALLEY HADASSAH: WINE, WILLS & TRIVIA ON ZOOM

Are you wise enough? Raritan Valley Hadassah presents: Wine & Wills Trivia on Zoom on Sunday, Nov 15, at 1:30pm. Pour a glass of wine or beverage of your choice and test your knowledge of fun trivia about wine, wills, beer and beneficiaries with local attorney Rebecca Begelman Strub. Her firm helps fun busy people protect what's important with life and legacy

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

planning. Email: Marniek18@gmail.com to RSVP and receive your Zoom link.

SH'NAINU SHIDDUCH GROUP

Sh'nainu Shidduch Group of Edison/HP is a volunteer organization to assist Orthodox Jewish singles find that special someone. A dedicated team of local volunteers takes meticulous care to introduce singles based upon their specific ideals and goals. We are eager to get to know each single on a personal level, and our top priority is to treat each individual with professionalism, sensitivity, and respect. Singles, or their representatives from various communities, present profiles for us to review at monthly shidduch group meetings. The info is kept with great discretion in our private database to be reviewed frequently. In addition, we organize and host singles events such as shabbatonim, speed dating, and luncheons. We look forward to sharing exciting events with you in the coming months. Sh'nainu will plan each event with consideration to a specific age group and hashkafa. We welcome volunteers. For info/to submit your profile, email Shidduchedisonhp@gmail.com. A volunteer shadchan will contact you.

STAHL MEMORIAL LECTURE

Dementia Reimagined
Annual Mates David and Hinna Stahl Memorial Lecture in Bioethics. Hosted by Robert Wood Johnson Medical School & The Center for Population-Level Bioethics at Rutgers Tuesday, November 10 4 p.m. Via Zoom Register for event link and password During a virtual lecture, Tia Powell, MD, will discuss the future for people with dementia and how the COVID-19 pandemic has affected this vulnerable population. Dr. Powell is the Dr. Shoshanah Trachtenberg Frackman Chair in Biomedical Ethics and the director of the Montefiore Einstein Center for Bioethics, and a professor of epidemiology and psychiatry at Albert Einstein College of Medicine.

JEC HS Open House

Join us at the JECHS Open House. Choose a date and register at jechs.org.
Wednesday, Oct 28th or Tuesday, Nov 10th at 7PM - live or virtual options available. Registration required. Looking forward to seeing you there.

CHUG IVRIT

Chug Ivrit for intermediate to advanced Hebrew speakers, will meet on Sun, Nov 8 at 11am socially distanced in my back yard, 120 Highland Ave., Edison. (In case of inclement weather, or if too cold, we'll meet via Zoom.) We read a Hebrew article or story and chat in Hebrew. We'd love to have you join us. To RSVP, contact Rachel at rachel@weintraubworld.net or 732-819-9298.

BIKUR CHOLIM

- HOSPITALITY ROOM: RWJ Univ Hospital: located on the main floor. Go thru main entrance bear left towards gift shop. Turn right thru double doors. Follow hall, turn right. Room is located opposite surgical ICU. St Peters Hospital: located on the fourth floor room 4016. You will find hospitality rooms fully stocked with food and items you might need. There is a microwave, urn, sink, table & chairs. For inquiries, call at [732-572-7181](tel:732-572-7181).
- HOMEBOUND VISITATION: Seeking adults and 11th graders and older interested in volunteering to visit homebound people in our community. Info call Bikur Cholim [732-572-7181](tel:732-572-7181).
- NURSING HOME VISITATION: Seeking volunteers to visit Regency nursing home on DeMott Lane in Somerset. Call Bikur Cholim at [732-572-7181](tel:732-572-7181).
- TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE: Drivers and coordinators needed. Coordinate rides to/from medical appts-match requesters with available

driver. Each coordinator serves two weeks at a time. To volunteer to coordinate or to drive, call Bikur Cholim hotline [732-572-7181](tel:732-572-7181) or fill out the volunteer form on website bikurcholimrv.com - WEBSITE: bikurcholimrv.com. The website provides info regarding Bikur Cholim services, including how to access local hospitals on Shabbat, borrow medical equipment, and how to get prescription medication on Shabbat.

MEDICAL TOPICS LUNCH AND LEARN

Saint Peter's Univ Hospital is teaming up with the East Brunswick Public Library for a three-part virtual "Lunch 'N Learn" program series. "Basics of Inflammatory Bowel Disease" will be presented on Friday, Nov 6 at 12pm. The final program in this series will be presented by Arkady Broder, MD on Friday, Dec 18 at 12pm. Titled "Colon Polyp Screening... NOT the Same as Colon Cancer Screening." Registration is requested for these free events. For more info or to register, go online to www.ebpl.org/calendar.

FOR WOMEN

Rebbitzin Eichenstein's classes for women:
-Weather permitting, Tefilla class on Sunday, October 25th at 11:00 AM will be outside in the tent by RPRY. In case of bad weather and for anyone who would prefer, the class will be available via the zoom link below.
- Parsha class will be on Monday evening October 26th at 6:30 pm via the zoom link below
ZOOM:
Meeting ID: 474 278 7632 Passcode: 1 or +19292056099, 4742787632# (New York). For more info, please contact Ricki Stern at rickistern@gmail.com or call 732-828-6939 (landline).

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.

The Mikvah is currently by appointment only. November: All Motzai Shabbos 7:30PM – 9:30PM; weekdays: 8PM – 10PM. All preparations should be done at home and all appointments must be made via our [appointment page](http://www.parkmikvah.org) on www.parkmikvah.org. Please read through all instructions prior to making your appointment. A face mask should also be worn at the mikvah. For all comments and questions, please email hpmikvah@gmail.com

GEMACHS

Etz Ahaim has a complete listing of all local area gemachs at <https://www.etzahaim.org/local-gemachs/>.
-DIABETIC SUPPLIES GEMACH: Providing diabetic Supplies- Insulin, test strips, meters etc. for those who ran out/waiting for insurance approval or guests who left supplies at home. Please text Deutsch family at 646-683-7394.
- Lev Lenefesh centerpiece Gemach number has changed to (732) 630-9148.
-Sheitl Gemach: Brayla Custom Wigs is also a sheitl gemach. Wigs of all conditions accepted. All welcome-any location for drop off/pick up. Renee@braylawigs.com 908-208-5738. 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 also avail. Text 5165260941 for more info.
-Kittel gemach. To borrow a kittel, call Jeff or Lee Ann Schein [732-545-9353](tel:732-545-9353). Four sizes avail. Kittel gemach in m/o 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.

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E-MAIL 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, 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 Aaron Breslin at 908-907-7308.
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: Find out the status of the eruv by **Email:** We send out an email within 30 minutes after the eruv's status has been determined. You can sign up to this service by sending a blank email to hperuv+subscribe@groups.io.
Twitter: This is our official notification channel. Follow [@hp_eruv](https://twitter.com/hp_eruv) to get the eruv status as soon as it has been determined.
Facebook: Join the Facebook Group [hperuv](https://www.facebook.com/hperuv) and get the eruv notifications within 30 minutes after our Twitter update.
Website: Our Website at <https://hperuv.org> will show the eruv's status on the top of the main page. The website also has an up to date map of the entire eruv.
Hotline: Of course, there is always our Eruv Hotline at 732-487-ERUV which is updated as soon as the eruv's status has been determined. Questions?: David Weintraub@David@weintraub.name

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Mincha:

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