



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

<http://www.ohrtorah.net>

48 Edgemount Road Edison, NJ 08817

Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi

Payam Hanian - President

Rabbi Sarel Malitzky – Assistant Rabbi

Parshat Vayechi

Candlelighting: 4:31 PM
Mincha: 4:40 PM
Shacharis: 7:45, 9 & 9:15 AM
Hashkama Speaker - Benji Kramer
Rabbi Hoffman's Halacha B'iyun Shiur – After Hashkama

Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A): 9:43 AM
Rabbi Luban's Moed Katan Shiur – 3:35 PM

Mincha: 1:45 & 4:25PM
Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Arnie Lustiger

Maariv: 5:40 PM
Shabbos Ends: 5:41 PM

Weekday Shacharis:

Sun. 7:15, 8 & 9 AM
Mon. & Thurs. 6:17, 7:05 & 8AM
Earliest Talis/Tefillin – 6:22

Tues., Wed., & Fri. 6:30, 7:10 & 8AM
Early Mincha Sun. 1:00 PM
Mincha/Maariv: 4:40PM
Late Maariv: 7:30 & 10:10 PM
No 7:30 Maariv on Sunday

Shiurim:

- Rabbi Akiva Sauer's Shiur on Daf Yomi Be'iyun: after 7:15 Shacharis on Sunday
 -Rabbi Luban's She'eilos Uteshuvos Shiur Monday 9:10PM.
 -Semichas Chaver Program with Rabbi Malitzky, Tuesday 8:00 PM in YFM

Daf Yomi (EST)
 Monday-Thursday-after 7:30 Maariv
 Friday night after Maariv
 Shabbos morning -8:15 am and after Hashkama
 Sunday-after 8am Shacharis

KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week is being sponsored by Mira and Mark Epstein in commemoration of the 50th Yahrzeit of Mark's father R' Nachman B'R Yitzchak HaLevi Z'L, and by Harvey and Charyn Atlas in memory of Harvey's mother, Ruth Atlas, Rivka bas Hirsch Dovid, upon her first Yahrzeit. Kiddush sponsorship is available January 25, February 22.

YFM KIDDUSH

YFM Kiddush is sponsored by Jonathan & Nadine Teitelbaum in commemoration of the 3rd Yahrzeit of Jonathan's father, Naftali Teitelbaum, Naftali Tzvi ben Aaron, A"H. Jonathan will be making a Siyum on Masechet Sukkah.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is co-sponsored by -Audrey and Danny Mondrow in memory of the Yahrzeit of Danny's grandmother Rachel Leah bas Aharon, A"H.
 --Janice and Arnie Lustiger in honor of the Yahrzeit of Arnie's father, R' Shmuel Ben R' Aharon Halevi. A"H

SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

14 Tevet 5780

Moshe & Susan Wiesel in memory of Fran Leitman's father Bernard Raskin Z"L.

MAZEL TOV

...to Eileen Wagshul on the Bar Mitzvah of her great grandson Yosef Wagshul in Los Angeles. Mazel Tov to the parents Devorah Leah & Avremil, grandparents Yitzchok & Leah, along with Yosef's siblings, aunts, uncles & cousins .

...to Zelda and Danny Wildman on the birth of a granddaughter, Kayla Sarah Rivka, to their children Chana and Jon Fridlender of Efrat, Israel.

2020 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

The 2020 Membership Directory is being prepared. All current directory information, including children's names and email addresses, will be brought forward to the new directory. Please submit all changes and/or additions to names, titles, address, phone, children's names (including sons/daughters-in-law), and email addresses to memberdirectory@ohrtorah.net. For members who have joined in the past year, please email the above address with your preferred titles (Mr., Mrs., Dr., Rabbi, Hon., etc.) as this information was not necessarily collected on the membership form.

NOTE: Children's names and up to two email addresses not currently listed will be included only if an emailed request is received at the address above. The announcements email list will not be used for this publication.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

ORTHODOX FORUM

In an effort to counter the narrative that many believe about the state of Israel, The Orthodox Forum of Highland Park/Edison presents: First In & Last Out: IsraAID'S Emergency Response and Recovery Work Worldwide Sat night, Jan 11 8pm at Cong. Ohav Emeth
 Seth H. Davis, Executive Director, IsraAID USA
 Founded in 2001, IsraAID is Israel's largest humanitarian aid organization.

ANNUAL HIGHLAND PARK COMMUNITY KOLLEL BREAKFAST

Mr. Avi Milgraum, Chairman of the Annual Highland Park Community Kollel Breakfast, is pleased to announce that the Guest of Honor at this year's breakfast will be Mr. Moshe Wiesel. The breakfast will IY'H take place at Congregation Ohr Torah on Sunday Morning, February 2nd at 9:30am. For further info or to make an online donation, please visit <http://www.HPKollel.com> or contact Mr. Avi Milgraum at (908) 812.6924

AVOS UBANIM MOTZEI SHABBOS

FATHER & SON LEARNING

Avos Ubanim Motzei Shabbos Father & Son Learning is back! From 6:45 - 7:45 at Agudah. All boys that attend get a slice of pizza and a raffle

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ticket for a chance to win great prizes! This program is absolutely free of charge! All are welcome regardless of school and Shul affiliation. required. A light dinner will be served.

RPRY

--SOS Mishmar Parent Child Learning Program Open to All grades in the RPRY Beit Medrash Every Motzai Shabbat at 7PM. Pizza, Refreshments, Prizes
 -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:

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 information to ENRVInfo@gmail.com.

TOMCHEI SHABBOS OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY

BENEFIT CONCERT - SIMCHA LEINER

Edison/Highland Park Community Wide Concert featuring Simcha Leiner to benefit our very own Tomchei Shabbos of Middlesex County. Motzei Shabbos, Feb 1, @ 8PM at Highland Park High School (102 North 5th Ave, Highland Park, NJ 08904) Tickets prices available are: \$100, \$50 and \$36. To purchase tickets, visit tomcheimc.org or email mcjewishevents@gmail.com

HADASSAH

Raritan Valley Hadassah invites you to Game Night Meet N' Greet on Thursday, January 23 at 7:00 p.m. (*note new date*) at the Highland Park Community Center, 220 S. 6th Ave. Want to learn to play or join a game? We will have all the classics including Maj Jong, Rummikub, Trivial Pursuit - just to name a few ... For more information, please contact Marnie Kean at 732-816-4712 or email: raritanvalleyhadassah@gmail.com.

KRAV MAGA

Krav Maga self- defense classes: Tuesday nights in Edison for ages 13 and up: females 7:15 PM; males 8:30 PM. Please call Yisroela Joran for details at 917-834-6665.

BIKUR CHOLIM

ANNUAL BIKUR CHOLIM BREAKFAST: March 1st at 9:30 AM at the Pines Manor, 2085 Route 27, Edison. Guest speaker will be Rabbi Shmuel Marcus, Rabbi of the Young Israel of Queens Valley and Rebbe at Lander College for Men. Honorees will be Dr. & Mrs. Josh Segal and Dr. & Mrs. Aviv Orani. Couvert is \$54 per person, sponsorships are available. Invitations to follow.

MA'AYANOT

Ma'ayanot Yeshiva High School for Girls presents the 11th Annual Day of Big Ideas. Sunday, February 2, 2020 9:30 am - 12:30 pm. Keynote

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

address by Mrs. Esther Slomnicki, teacher of Biology, AP Biology and Anatomy, on the topic of "Knowledge and Privacy in Conflict: DNA Testing", followed by breakout sessions with Ma'ayanot faculty. Men and women are invited to attend.

ACTT

ACTT (Achieving Change Thru Torah): module: Kiddush Hashem; source book: Artsroll's "A Life Worth Living - Stories and Ideas for Constant Kiddush Hashem" by Rabbi Shraga Freedman; Module packet: www.actt613.org/3.html; Rabbi Staum's "Kiddush Hashem: the kiddush that never ends" talk: www.actt613.org/6.html or <https://www.torahanytime.com/#/lectures?v=95621>. For more info, e-mail info@actt613.org or call Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762.

RABBI REISMAN

Rabbi Reisman will be speaking for men and women on Tefillas Haderech - When, Where and How on Friday night, Parshas Va'eira, January 24th, at 8:30pm at Khal Chassidim, 46 N. 8th Avenue. Topics will include the proper procedure when traveling to Brooklyn or Lakewood; short trips and daily commutes; cruises, trains, planes and spaceships. For more information contact Marsha Eiserman at 347-203-7906.

RABBI WEISS

Rabbi Weiss's shiur on Tehillim for men and women: Wednesday evenings at 7:00PM at 154 N. 10th Avenue, Highland Park. For further information, please contact Marsha Eiserman at 347-203-7906.

FOR WOMEN

-Rebbitzen Eichenstein's classes for women: please call/text Aviva at 732-672-7104 or siegelmom@gmail.com for status of classes on Sunday, January 12 and Monday, January 13.
-Women's Learning Initiative: Offers customized Torah learning partners / chavrusas! For a personalized study program of your choice, email your contact information to womenslearninginitiative@gmail.com
-Parsha class by Mrs. Miri Cohen: Please call / text Leah at 917-763-1848 for status of class on Tuesday, January 14.
-Tiferes: DVD for women Motzai Shabbos February 15 at 8:30 PM at the Siegel house. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are available to Tiferes members. Current teleconference: "The building blocks of Shalom Bayis" with Mrs. Zehava Lefkovitz. 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.

LEFKOVITS FAMILY PARK MIKVAH

- Shovavim Shiur for married women: Lefkovits Family Park Mikvah and Irgun Shiurei Torah present a 2 part shiur given by Mrs. Debby Selengut, premier Kallah teacher, on Monday, Jan. 13 and Monday, Feb. 10 at 8:30 PM in the YFM room at Congregation Ohr Torah.
-DATE / TIME CHANGED! Lefkovits Family Park Mikvah presents an evening with famous Israeli news anchor and lecturer, Mrs. Sivan Rahav Meir,

popular Israeli news anchor and journalist who gives a weekly Torah shiur to 1000 people in Israel, at the annual Women's Melavah Malka on February 29, 2020 at 8:30 PM at Congregation Ohr Torah. To learn more about Sivan, please visit: <https://www.sivanrahavmeir.com/home-en/>. Event Chairs: Racheli Atlas, Leechen Gluck, Sharon Golubchik. Advanced registration is requested. Couvert is \$36. Sponsorship is available at the following levels: \$50- Bronze Sponsor, \$100- Silver Sponsor, \$180- Gold Sponsor, \$250- Platinum Sponsor, \$360- Friends of the Mikvah, \$500- Mikvah Donor. Join us in supporting the one organization in the community that benefits all women of the community! To register or to become a sponsor, visit <https://parkmikvah.org/> or email hpmikvah@gmail.com.

- Hours:

· Sun-Thur: 8PM-10:30PM

· All Motzai Shabbos 7:30pm-10pm

All out of hour and Friday night appts should be made online at www.parkmikvah.org. Alternatively they can be made by texting/calling (732) 221-8155 or emailing hpmikvah@gmail.com. Please be reminded that out of hours appts incur additional \$20 fee. During winter months the out of hours fee is waived for appts occurring between nightfall and opening time. 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/>.

- 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. 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.

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, 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_erv 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.

Shemot

Candlelighting:	4:39PM
Mincha:	4:45PM

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