



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi

Payam Hanian - President

Rabbi Sarel Malitzky – Assistant Rabbi

Parshat -Yitro

20 Shevat 5780

February 15, 2020

Candlelighting: 5:13 PM
Mincha: 5:20 PM
Shacharis: 7:45, 9 & 9:15 AM
Hashkama Speaker - Rabbi Malitzky
Rabbi Hoffman's Halacha B'iyun Shiur
after Hashkama Minyan
Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A): 9:31 AM
Rabbi Luban's Moed Katan Shiur – 4:15 PM
Mincha: 1:45 & 5:05PM
Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Henry Schanzer
Maariv: 6:20 PM
Shabbos Ends: 6:21 PM
Weekday Shacharis:
Sun. 7:15, 8 & 9AM
Mon. & Thurs. 6:20, 7:05 & 8AM
Tues., Wed., & Fri. 6:30, 7:10 & 8AM
Early Mincha Sun. 1:00 PM
Mincha/Maariv: 5:20PM
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 Schedule
Monday-Thursday: after 7:30 Maariv
Friday night: after Maariv
Shabbos: one hour before Mincha
Sunday: after 8AM Shacharis

KIDDUSH

Kiddush is sponsored by Naomi and Joshua Caplan in honor of Dani's Aufruf.
Kiddush sponsorship is available Feb 22, 29 and March 7.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Sheila and Henry Schanzer in memory of the Yahrzeit of Henry's mother Bella Schanzer, Bayla Bas R. Yitzchok, A"H.

NEW LEARNING OPPORTUNITY FOR BOYS IN GRADE 6 AND 7

There will be a Sunday morning Mishna Shiur led by Rabbi Shragi Gross for boys in grades 6 and 7. The Shiur will take place from 9:00-9:45 AM and meet in the YFM. The first Shiur will be this Sunday 2/9.

NEW MEMBERS

Please welcome new members:
-Jason and Leah Felder

OHR TORAH YOUTH EVENTS

-Urban Air Trampoline Park!
There will be an amazing event for boys, grades 2-6, at Urban Air in East Brunswick on Sunday March 1st starting at 2pm! The cost is \$20 which includes admission and food for the event. Supervision at the trampoline park will be provided by our group leaders. Info please see Aaron or Rachael Breslin.

MAZEL TOV

...to Naomi and Joshua Caplan on the Aufruf of their son Dani
...to Aviva and Barry Siegel on the birth of a son to their children, Tova and Menachem Siegel from Ramat Beis Shemesh Gimmel. Mazel Tov to the baby's siblings, Tzvi, Shevy, and Devorah, and to Menachem's grandmothers, Evelyn Rindner and Edith Mazer.
...to Sheila and Morty Dear on the birth of a great-granddaughter. Mazel tov to the parents, Rebecca and Adam Baruch, the grandparents, Cindy and Mitch Baruch and the entire extended family.
... Rabbi & Mrs. Shlomo Ziegler on the birth of a daughter, to their children Rabbi & Mrs. Yonatan and Atara Ziegler.
...to Nitza and Russell Adler on the birth of a daughter to their children, Rafi and Sarah. Special Mazel Tov to great grandparents, Kalman and Tovah Shiloni and aunts and uncles, Shana and Jordan Kaplan, Ratzel and Ariel, Yair and Adina and siblings, Mordechai and Shuli.

RABBI MALITZKY

Rabbi Malitzky will be giving a Shiur after the Hashkama Minyan (~9:35) entitled "Break Away Minyanim". Both men and women are encouraged to attend.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

There will be a Membership Meeting on Thursday, February 20th at 8 PM. Purpose of the meeting is to vote on the contract extension for Rabbi Malitzky and 2020 budget that were previously approved by the Board.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

PURIM CARDS FROM THE KINDER FUND

The Kinder Fund in memory of Dina Eisner, A"H, is selling Purim Mishloach Manos cards for \$2.00 each. To obtain cards, contact Tova Josefovitz at 732.572.9432, Shoshana Diskind at 732.572.7755, Lani Eisner at 732.572.1087 or Janice Lustiger at 732.819.4919 or e-mail your request to thekinderfund@gmail.com.

NORPAC MISSION 2020

NORPAC's Mission to Washington is an annual event where we bring close to a thousand citizen activists to Washington, DC, in order to advocate for a stronger U.S.-Israel relationship with Members of Congress. Join us Tuesday, May 19th. On a single-day trip you will meet with Members of Congress and their staff, and share your concerns with them about foreign aid to Israel, Iran terror, U.S.--Israel security cooperation, BDS and more. Buses leave for Washington from our area at 6:30 AM and return between 9-10 PM. There will be orientation, and briefings on the bus. All meals will be provided. Register now for the early bird discount: www.norpac.net or call (201) 788-

5133 Adults - \$150 Students - \$100/young professionals under 30 (students must be over 12. Those under 18 must be accompanied by Parent or legal guardian) contact Marc Hanfling docdad@aol.com Barry Wolf, Yosef Schreiber, Neer Evan-Hen for more info.

PEACE OF MIND OF HP/EDISON

Peace of Mind of Highland Park/Edison presents a night of comedy with TALIA REESE. Saturday night, Feb 15th at RPRY Doors open at 8:30pm Tickets are \$40.00 Sponsorship's of \$120, \$180, \$250, \$360 with priority seating Checks payable to American Friends of Peace of Mind RSVP: Debbie Teitz -732-476-4677 or dteitz@optonline.net Help us bring another unit of IDF combat veterans to our community this November.

ISRAEL MAY MISSION 2020

Join Congregation Ahavas Achim on our first Israel May Mission from May 19-June 1, 2020. The mission will include roundtrip nonstop flights on El Al Israel Airlines from Newark, 8 nights at the Leonardo Plaza Hotel, 3 nights at the Carlton Hotel in Tel Aviv, 3 day touring excursion with experienced guides, full Israeli breakfast daily, three dinners in Tel Aviv, Friday night and Shabbat lunch on both Shabbatot, lunch and dinner meals on Shavuot, tips, transfers, and handling. The cost per person (based on double occupancy) is \$4858. Registration is now open. Prices guaranteed through February 17. Sign up at arieltours.com/aamission. Questions can be directed to: aamission@arieltours.com.

REFLECTIONS OF AN ORTHODOX JEWISH JOURNALIST

The Orthodox Forum of Edison/Highland Park presents Avital Chizhik-Goldschmidt on Saturday night, March 7, at 8:30pm at Congregation Etz Ahaim. Avital Chizhik-Goldschmidt is a writer living in New York City. She is the Life editor at the Forward and was previously a reporter for Haaretz. Her essays have appeared in the New York Times, Vox, and Salon, among others. She has been interviewed on CBC radio and quoted on NPR, WQXR, and Brian Lehrer. Avital teaches journalism at Yeshiva University's Stern College for Women and does pastoral work alongside her husband Rabbi Benjamin Goldschmidt in Manhattan's Upper East Side. She grew up in Highland Park and attended RPRY and Bruriah High School. The Orthodox Forum gladly accepts season sponsorships, as well as program sponsorships. For more information go online to www.orthodoxjewishforum.org.

PARLOR MEETING FEATURING DOV HIKIND

Come learn more about Americans Against Anti-Semitism and how you can help make a difference. You are invited to a Parlor Meeting featuring Dov Hikind, founder of Americans Against Anti-Semitism. The meeting will be hosted by Lynn and Neer Even-Hen, 10 Harrison St., Edison, on Tuesday, February 25 at 7:30 p.m. What's going on in America with Anti-Semitism, and how do we address it? Please RSVP to: Rivka@AmericansAA.org. For more information, follow: @AmericansAA or visit: AmericansAA.org.

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

YESHIVAT NETIVOT MONTESSORI

Yeshivat Netivot Montessori in East Brunswick will be having a school tour on Wednesday, March 4, from 9:15 am - 11:00 am. Come see our beautiful classrooms where child enjoy freedom of movement, an integrated curriculum, and individual and small group lessons. Sign up on our website www.mynetivot.com or call [732-985-4626](tel:732-985-4626) or email operations@mynetivot.com

ANNUAL YACHAD SHABBATON

The Shabbat of February 28th, Ahavas Achim will be hosting its *fifth* annual Rayim Yachad Shabbaton, open to the entire community. Yachad Shabbatonim are an opportunity for adults with special needs to come together for a Shabbat of inclusion and fun with fellow Yachad members, mainstream peers, community members, and Yachad staff.

We'd love for members of the Highland Park/Edison community to be involved in any way they can!

-Host Yachad members and advisers for dinner and/or Shabbat

-Attend! Friday night oneg and Shabbat lunch, both at Ahavas Achim, will be *free of charge*.

Note: Lunch is limited seating, by reservation only. If you are interested in hosting, please contact Simi Lichtman at similichtman@gmail.com. Lunch reservations can be made by filling out the following form: <https://forms.gle/m53dJJ1zaBWaiCbT9>

NEFESH B'NEFESH

The 12th annual Nefesh B'Nefesh Aliyah Mega Event is the place to start to plan your Aliyah! Attend informative sessions and receive guidance from relevant professionals, including: financial planning & budgeting for Aliyah, choosing a community, how to build a strategic job search plan, navigating the healthcare system, the ins and outs of buying or renting a home in Israel, and much more.

Sunday, March 15th @ Glenpointe Marriott, Teaneck, NJ .

Retirees & Empty Nesters: Registration 9am, Sessions & Fair 9:30am-12noon

General Attendance: Registration 12noon, Sessions & Fair 12:30pm-5:30pm

Aliyah MedEx For Medical Professionals: 9am-5:30pm*

Medical Licensing, Job Interviews, Networking, Aliyah Info

*Advance Registration Strongly Recommended Please register in advance:

WWW.NBN.ORG.IL/MEGA2020

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. Babysitting is available. For more information, RSVP, or request an invitation, please call 732-572-7181.

-BIKUR CHOLIM is seeking volunteers to visit residents at the Regency Jewish home in Somerset. If you would like to volunteer or know a resident that would like visitors, please text Aviva at 732-672-7104 or sieglmom@gmail.com

MENUCHA PUBLISHERS BOOK FAIR

Yeshiva Shaarei Tzion Girls School, 51 Park Ave Sunday, Feb 16 - & Monday, Feb 17: 11 AM - 2

PM, Large selection of appropriate children's books (Judaic & secular) will be available for purchase. Everyone welcome!! For more info, please contact: EKomet@ystnj.org

FUND RAISER

Aryeh Margolin will be helping to raise money for OurPlace in an all-night Learn-a-thon. OurPlace is our community's largest network of drop-in centers for at-risk Jewish youth struggling with drug & alcohol addiction, past trauma & sexual abuse and criminal behavior. Please support him. <https://ourplacelearnathon.org/AryehMargolin>

RABBI WEISS'S SHIUR

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: Tefilla class on Sunday, February 16 at 11:00 AM at the Aguda shule; Parsha class on Monday, February 17 at 8:00 PM at Congregation Ohr Torah. For more info, please call/text Aviva at 732-672-7104 or sieglmom@gmail.com

-The Ahavas Yisroel Women's Learning Program presents Writer, Blogger and columnist for the New Jersey Jewish News, Merri Ukraincik. Please join us on Shabbos Afternoon ,Feb 29th at 4PM at Cong Ahavas Yisroel. Merri's Topic will be "What's in a Name?" For more info contact Sharon Glaser at sharonqlaser@gmail.com

- 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: Class on Tuesday, Feb. 18 at 9:30 AM at the home of Leah Epshteyn, 253 Lawrence Avenue, Highland Park. Please call / text Leah at 917-763-1848 to confirm.

-Tiferes: change in date and time! DVD for women SUNDAY, February 16 at 8:30 PM at the Siegel house: "The Meaning and the Message". Speakers: Rabbi Menachem Nissel and Mrs. Reena Tarshish. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are available to Tiferes members. Current teleconferences: "Making a Good Marriage Great" with Rabbi Zecharia Wallerstein and Dr. David Lieberman. For more info or to become a member, please contact Aviva at sieglmom@gmail.com. The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.

LEFKOVITS FAMILY PARK MIKVAH

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.

- February hours:

-Sunday – Thurs: 8PM – 10:30PM

-All Motzai Shabbos 7:30 – 10:00

- March hours:

-Sunday – Thursday: 8:30 PM – 10:30 PM

-Monday, March 9 (Megilas Esther): 9-10:30 PM

-Tuesday, March 10 (Purim): 9:00 PM – 10:30 PM

-Motzai Shabbos, March 7: 8:00 – 10:30

-Motzai Shabbos, March 14, 21, 28: 9 – 11

All out of hour and Friday night appointments 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 appointments incur an additional \$20 fee. During the winter months the out of hours fee is waived for appointments occurring between nightfall and opening time.

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.

-OE's 13th Annual Purim Costume Gemach starts next week! Over 1,000 great costumes and accessories from new born to adult.

Sunday February 23rd 10 am - 4 pm

Wednesday February 26th 6:30 pm -8 pm

Sunday March 1st 10 am - 4 pm

Wednesday March 4th 6:30 pm - 8 pm.

Congregation Ohav Emeth, 415 Raritan Ave., NJ The Gemach is also in need of Adult and Teenager volunteers for help before, during and after the Purim Costume Gemach. Any questions, please email costumegemach@yahoo.com.

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 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: 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.

Parshat Mishpatim

Candlelighting:

5:21PM

Mincha:

5:30PM

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.