



# Congregation Ohr Torah

## Weekly Announcements

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Parshat Acharei Mot - Kedoshim

8 Iyar 5780

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**BECAUSE THE SHUL IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE, DAVENING TIMES ARE LISTED BELOW TO ALLOW SYNCHRONIZATION WITH PRIVATE DAVENING AT HOME. However, the optimal time to daven Shacharis is Kivasikin, which means to start Shemona Esrai at sunrise. Sunrise this Shabbos is at 5:54 AM.**

**Candlelighting: 7:35PM**  
**Mincha: 7:45 PM**  
**Shacharis: 7:45, 9 & 9:15 AM**  
**Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A): 9:24 AM**  
**Mincha: 1:45 & 7:30PM**  
**Maariv: 8:45PM**  
**Shabbos Ends: 8:45PM**

*Followed by Kiddush Levana*

**Weekday Shacharis:**

**Sun. 7:15, 8 & 9AM**  
**Mon. & Thurs. 6:20, 7:05 & 8 AM**  
**Tues, Wed. & Fri. 6:30, 7:10 & 8AM**  
**Early Mincha Sun. 1:45 PM**  
**Mincha/Maariv 7:45 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.

### **OU/YU TORAH UPDATES**

Regular updates on virus response, special Shiurim, Tehilim and more can be found at [ou.org/covid19](http://ou.org/covid19). Regularly updated Halakhic and Hashkafic Shiurim regarding the virus and quarantine can be found at [yutorah.org](http://yutorah.org).

### **OT ONLINE**

Join Ohr Torah's "Torah from OT" whatsapp group to receive a daily 5-6 minute Torah video from Rabbi Luban, Rabbi Malitzky, and others! To be added, please email your phone number [tosariel.malitzky@gmail.com](mailto:tosariel.malitzky@gmail.com)

### **MISHNAH SHIUR FOR BOYS**

Mishnah Shiur for the boys given by Rabbi Gross will continue on Sunday at 9:30 on zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/6667348762>  
 Meeting ID: 521-120-6901

### **TUESDAY NIGHT TEHILLIM**

The Ohr Torah Tuesday night Tehillim group meets (virtually) 9:50 to 10:09pm followed by Maariv at home alone at 10:10pm. For a ZOOM invitation weekly, please email [dralansinger@gmail.com](mailto:dralansinger@gmail.com)

### **HELP SUPPORT OHR TORAH**

You shop. Amazon gives. We are pleased to announce that Ohr Torah has been recognized as a charitable organization by Amazon. This means that Amazon donates 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to our Shul AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know. Please follow the link below to start supporting Ohr Torah:  
<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/22-3249199>

### **MAZEL TOV**

... to great grandparents Bella and Henry Lerner on the birth of identical twin boys born to Dalya and Benjy Karlin children of Sharon and Shlomo Lerner of Sharon, Massachusetts.

...to David and Eliana Redlich on the birth of a son. Mazel Tov to grandparents Sue & Alan Redlich and to David's siblings, Rabbi Ari & Shira Neuman, Kivi & Chani Neuman, and Josh Redlich and the entire Redlich / Baruch families.

### **NEW MEMBERS**

Please welcome new members:

-Dr. Moshe and Felicia Simon

### **SEFORIM DONATIONS**

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

- Israel & Rebecca Rivkin in memory of David Matthew's father Harvey Matthew Z"l
- Israel & Rebecca Rivkin in memory of Rabbi Josh Einzig's father Mr. Ernest Einzig Z"l
- Israel & Rebecca Rivkin in memory of Cheryl Strauch & Avi Maza's mother Rebbetzin Shirley Maza Z"l
- Israel & Rebecca Rivkin in memory of Mordechai Schnur's father Rabbi Yehuda Leib - "Joel" Schnur
- Israel & Rebecca Rivkin in memory of Allan Weitz's mother Lillian Weitz Z"l
- Israel & Rebecca Rivkin in memory of Lyndon Goldsmith's father Bill Goldsmith Z"l
- Israel & Rebecca Rivkin in memory of Lynn Hanfling's mother Ellen Schochet Z"l
- Israel & Rebecca Rivkin in memory of David Rudnitzky's father Guillermo Rudnitzky Z"l
- Israel & Rebecca Rivkin in memory of Debbie Gewirtz's father Sender Blumenkopf Z"l
- Michael & Penny Kaplan in memory of Rabbi Josh Einzig's father Mr. Ernest Einzig Z"l
- Michael & Penny Kaplan in memory of Cheryl Strauch & Avi Maza's mother Rebbetzin Shirley Maza Z"l
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- Michael & Penny Kaplan in memory of Debbie Gewirtz's father Sender Blumenkopf Z"l
- Honey & Max Wisotsky in memory of Debbie Gewirtz's father Sender Blumenkopf Z"l

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- Honey & Max Wisotsky in memory of David Rudnitzky's father Guillermo Rudnitzky Z"l
- Shmully and Franny Leitman in memory of Lyndon Goldsmith's father Bill Goldsmith Z"l

### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **ACTT**

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

#### **TIFERES**

Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are available to Tiferes members. Current teleconferences: "Purim and Pesach: The Pressure or the Pleasure" with Mrs. Dina Schoonmaker. Info or to become a member, contact Aviva at [sieglmom@gmail.com](mailto:sieglmom@gmail.com). The HP/Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.

#### **MOTHERS DAY EMUNAH PROJECT**

Due to the corona virus, the needs in Israel have increased. So please join us in Emunah's annual Mother's Day fundraiser!

Last year our EMUNAH chapter sent \$9,000 to needy Israeli children and seniors, thanks to the annual Mother's Day Project. And we made you or your loved one happy by receiving a gift package or by knowing that you made a donation in their honor.

Robert's Florals has agreed to partner with Emunah to create beautiful floral arrangements to benefit EMUNAH's day care and senior centers in Israel, in lieu of a basket. Curbside pickup from Robert's Florals will be available on Sunday morning, May 10. The deadline for payment of \$75 is this Monday, May 4th, so let us know right away if you want a floral arrangement for your spouse, mother, your daughter, your favorite aunt, friend, yourself! One can also make a donation in honor of the special day and our special organization.

Simply indicate your intention to participate by sending an email message to [sueredlich@gmail.com](mailto:sueredlich@gmail.com), and drop a \$75 check made out to EMUNAH in the mailbox of Sue Redlich, 437 Harrison Ave, Highland Park, NJ 08904 (mailbox is located in front of the house, by the curb). For more info, please call Sue at 732-558-4917.

#### **RPRY**

RPRY's virtual dinner is scheduled for Sunday June 14<sup>th</sup>. More detail to follow.

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR KOSHER MEALS ON WHEELS**

Do you have a couple hours free in the morning? Can you help ensure that homebound seniors have fresh, nutritious meals to enjoy? Jewish Family

**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

Services of Middlesex County Kosher Meals on Wheels program needs volunteers for Edison and Avenel on Mondays. Call 732-777-1940 or email [office@jfsmiddlesex.org](mailto:office@jfsmiddlesex.org).

### **UNITED HATZALAH**

United Hatzalah is proud to present a global virtual event on Sunday, May 3rd, at 1pm EDT, called Saving Lives Sunday: A Streaming Event Honoring First Responders and Welcoming Home Eli Beer! This will be a streaming event, meaning everyone should tune in at 1pm EDT, and there will be over an hour of incredible content about UH volunteers responding on the front lines of the corona campaign, and a special tribute to Eli Beer. The event will be a virtual telethon to raise funds for the emergency operations of United Hatzalah across Israel.

Jay Leno will be hosting the event, Lior Suchard will be performing, and there will be many more celebrities as part of the program. UH is responding to over 3,000 emergency calls a day saving lives, attending to the most vulnerable and challenging our 6,000 volunteers to serve in the toughest of conditions. Attached is the Save the Date and you can stream the free event at <https://www.savinglivesunday.com/>.

### **2020 CENSUS**

By now, you should have received a 2020 Census form in the mail. If you have not received a form, please go to [2020census.gov](http://2020census.gov) where you can fill out a census form online. Let's make sure that as many residents of our community as possible are counted. Did you know? The Census is used to apportion seats in the US House of Representatives. Lower population has caused congressional redistricting in NJ. That's why Frank Pallone is now the congressional representative for what used to be two districts.

US Census 2020

Your step-by-step guide how to respond online at: [my2020census.gov](http://my2020census.gov)

English: Video Guide to Completing the 2020 Census Online

(click [here](#) for links to this same video guide in other languages).

### **RABBI WEISS'S SHIUR**

Rabbi Weiss' shiur on Tehillim will be given online. Details to follow. Contact info: Marsha Eiserman 347-203-7906

### **EMPLOYMENT NETWORK OF RARITAN VALLEY**

Looking for work? We can help. Email Bob Lansley at [ENRVInfo@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:ENRVInfo@gmail.com).

### **CHUG IVRIT VIA ZOOM**

Chug Ivrit, for intermediate to advanced Hebrew speakers, will meet via Zoom on Sunday, May 17 at 11:00 a.m. They chat in Hebrew and read a short Hebrew story or article. They'd love to have you join them! To participate, RSVP to Rachel at [rachel@weintraubworld.net](mailto:rachel@weintraubworld.net). She will respond with the zoom link and password. For more info, contact Rachel at 732-819-9298.

### **RARITAN VALLEY HADASSAH**

Raritan Valley Hadassah is touring Penn Station on a device near you. Do you remember our exciting June 12, 2019 guided tour of the Lower East Side with Paul Weissman of the Lower East Side Jewish Conservancy? Well, Raritan Valley is returning to 1910 with the LESJC. Join us as...Author Paul Kaplan, recounts the trials and triumphs of New York's Penn Station as portrayed in his book "New York's Original PENN STATION - The Rise and Fall of an American Landmark."

New York's Penn Station was widely known as one of the most beautiful stations in the world. For decades, Penn Station was a center of elegance and pride.

If you'd like to participate in this exciting virtual book lecture, email Elaine Rand Fromkin at [memajules1@gmail.com](mailto:memajules1@gmail.com) by Thursday May 14 and then please put your check in the mail right away. Your tax deductible donation is \$12. Proceeds will be shared with the Lower East Side Jewish Conservancy.

Checks should be made out to Hadassah in the amount of \$12 and mailed to Elaine Rand Fromkin, 12 Tompkins Road, East Brunswick, N.J. 08816. Please be sure to include your email address.

Once your check arrives, you'll receive an email with the link to the virtual talk. You may join the talk at any time and you may start and stop the lecture at your convenience. Please allow one hour 12 minutes for the talk.

### **FOR WOMEN**

Rebbitzin Eichenstein will not be having classes until further notice. Contact Aviva at 732-672-7104 for more info.

-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](mailto:womenslearninginitiative@gmail.com) -Parsha class by Mrs. Miri Cohen will take place on ZOOM on Thursday mornings. Please email [womenslearninginitiative@gmail.com](mailto:womenslearninginitiative@gmail.com) to receive a link and time.

### **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. All preparations should be done at home and all appointments must be made via our appointment page on [www.parkmikvah.org](http://www.parkmikvah.org). For all comments and questions, please email [hpmikvah@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:Renee@braylawigs.com) 908-208-5738. Edison, NJ

-Diaper Gemach HP/Edison: Diapers, pullups, wipes needed Email [diapergemach@gmail.com](mailto: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, [ginattonkonog@gmail.com](mailto:ginattonkonog@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](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, 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](mailto: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](mailto:siegeldad@gmail.com).

**HOUSEKEEPING:** Housekeeping issues and inquiries contact Lou Smith [ludeeju@gmail.com](mailto: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](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 Yahrzeit database, go to [ohrtorah.net](http://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> to sign up for email list. The email list checks the eruv's status after 3pm 1x hour and sends out email updates.

\***Eruv Webpage:** The eruv webpage at <http://hperuv.org> has the latest Twitter feed displayed on the bottom of the front page. 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](mailto:david@weintraub.name) for help.

### **Shabbos Emor**

**Candlelighting:**

**7:43 PM**

**Mincha:**

**7:50 PM**

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