



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parshat Bereshit/Mevarchim

29 Tishri 5781

October 17, 2020

Candlelighting: 5:57 PM

Mincha/ Kabolos Shabbos:

6:05 (Main Shul, RPRY Blacktop), 6:05

Carlebach (Social Hall)

Shacharis:

7:30 (Main Shul),

Hashkamah speaker – Ira Smith

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): 9:56AM

Mincha:

1:45 & 5:50 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), 7:00 PM (Main Shul),

Shabbos Ends: 7:04 PM

Weekday Shacharis:

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

8:00 AM (Blacktop)

Mon. (Rosh Chodesh): 6:13 (Main Shul),

6:50 (Social Hall) 7:00 AM (Blacktop – NOTE EARLIER TIME) & 8:00 AM (Main Shul),

Earliest Talis and Tefillin: 6:20 AM Mon., 6:23 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 7:05 (Social Hall)

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

Mincha/Maariv: 5:55 PM (Main Shul and Blacktop)

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

-Rabbi Dr. Bernhard & Charlene Rosenberg
In honor of my daughter Ilana Rosenberg Merl who found living relatives, survivors of the Holocaust

-Israel & Rebecca Rivkin in memory of Elliot Ostrove's father Dr. Steven Ostrove Z"l

-Israel & Rebecca Rivkin in memory of Shoshana Diskind's sister Barbara Cohen Z"l

-Moshe & Susan Wiesel in memory of Shoshana Diskind's sister Barbara Cohen Z"l

MAZEL TOV

...to Marcia and Andrew Freedman on the birth of a daughter, Orly Ziva to their children, Yitzky & Shani Horowitz. Mazel Tov to siblings, Dede, Tani & Naftali, to grandparents, Mendy & Honny Aron and to Orly's great grandmother, Channah Hartman.

...to Nitza and Russell Adler on the birth of a grandson to their children, Ariel and Ratzel. Special Mazel Tov to great grandparents Kalman and Tova Shiloni and to aunts and uncles Shoshana and Jordan Kaplan, Rafi and Sarah Adler and to Uncle Yair and Aunt Adina.

...to Dr. and Mrs. Ira Krumholtz on the birth and Bris of their grandson Aharon. Mazel Tov to the parents Shimmy and Shaina Krumholtz ...to Rachel & Mendy Lerner, and Bella & Henry Lerner on the marriage this past Tuesday of Ethan and Leora Lerner. Mazel Tov to Leora's parents Mark and Debbie Hyman, and to all the aunts, uncles and cousins visiting us this Shabbat for Sheva Brachot.

...Nechama and Michael Samel on the birth of a great grandson. The baby boy was born to Chevie and Menachem Samel in Israel. Mazel Tov to grandparents Rikki and Shmuel Samel, and to the entire Samel/Boland families.

THURSDAY NIGHT LIVE

Thursday Night Live is back!! Please join us at 9:15pm this Thursday night (10/22) in the social hall for an engaging and inspiring Shiur with Rabbi Malitzky

WOMEN IN PUBLIC PRAYER: HISTORICAL FRAMEWORK FOR A CONTEMPORARY QUESTION

The Orthodox Forum of Edison/Highland Park presents Dr. Shana Strauch Schick, Yeshiva University Research Fellow, online Sunday, October 18 at 10am. Dr. Strauch Schick's presentation provides a historical framework for this very contemporary issue of women's presence in public prayer spaces. This presentation explores the history of women's presence in holy spaces from the ancient Temple to modern day synagogues. She is a fellow of the Center for Israel Studies at Yeshiva University and teaches Talmud and Halakhah at Michlelet Mevaseret Yerushalayim in Jerusalem and Drisha Institute in NY. She

grew up in Highland Park davening at Congregation Ohr Torah and is a proud graduate of RPRY.

Following the presentation, the moderator will pose questions entered online to Dr. Strauch Schick. Registration is required for this online presentation. Register from the Orthodox Forum website:

www.orthodoxjewishforum.org or using the following

link: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/756308278802966286?source=an>. The

Orthodox Forum gladly accepts season sponsorships, as well as program sponsorships.

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CONDOLENCES

...to Shoshana Diskind on the passing of her sister Barbara Cohen, Bayla bas Mordechai A"H. Shoshana will be observing Shiva in her home through Sunday evening, October 18. Due to the Covid-19 virus, Shiva calls for Shoshana can be made as follows by phone to 732-236-3071 from 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM and from 2:00 PM to 4:30 PM. Zoom Shiva will be from 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM. Join Zoom Meeting through this link: <https://cmicompas.zoom.us/j/94267634691?pwd=Wh2a3hpS3p2MHR6NUQ3WmFFUGdZQT09>

- Meeting ID: 942 6763 4691
- Passcode: 361167

May you be comforted amongst the mourners of Zion in Jerusalem.

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 [rivsj@aol.com](mailto:rivs@aol.com).

SH'NAINU SIDDUCH 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.

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

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.

SOFER VISITS

The Sofer will be available to check your Mezzuzot and Tefillin Sunday, Oct 18th at Judaica Gallery, 300 Raritan Ave HP. For questions or to make a Sunday morning appt, please call 732-236-9695.

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 Sunday, November 8 at 11:00 a.m. 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 any items you might need. There is a microwave, urn, sink, table & chairs. For inquiries, call helpline at 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.

- NURSING HOME VISITATION: Seeking volunteers to visit Regency nursing home on DeMott Lane in Somerset. Call Bikur Cholim at 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 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. The first program is "Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease" on Friday, Oct 23 at 12pm. "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.

MTA

Join Yeshiva University High School for Boys (MTA) at our virtual Open House Sun, Nov 15th, 9:30am to learn more about our warm, personalized, and inspiring approach to Torah, academic, and extra-curricular programs and explore all of the incredible opportunities available at our yeshiva. We truly have something for everyone, enabling each and every talmid to shine and make an impact on our community. Choose your journey and discover how you can make the most of your MTA experience. We can't wait to see you! To RSVP, please visit yuhsb.org/openhouse. Questions? Contact Rabbi Yoni Stone at ystone@yuhsb.org or 646-592-6106.

WOMEN'S CLASSES

Rebbitzin Eichenstein's classes for women:

-Tefilla class on Sunday, Oct 18 at 11AM - weather permitting, outside by Siegel home, at 16 Edgemount Rd, Edison. If the weather isn't good, then class will be on ZOOM:

Meeting ID: 474 278 7632 Passcode: 1 or +19292056099, 4742787632# (New York).

- No class on Monday, Oct 19

For info and to confirm the class venue for Sunday class, contact Aviva at siegelmom@gmail.com or call / text at 732-672-7104.

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](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. 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: 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_erv](https://twitter.com/hp_erv) 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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Candlelighting:

5:47 PM

Mincha:

5:55 PM

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