



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parshat Lech Lecha

13 Heshvan 5781

October 31, 2020

Candlelighting: 5:37 PM

Mincha/ Kabolos Shabbos: 5:35 (RPRY Blacktop), 5:45 (Main Shul, Social Hall)

Shacharis:

7:30 (Main Shul),

Hashkamah speaker –Netanel Kramer

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): 10:03 AM

Mincha:

1:45 & 5:30 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), 6:45 PM (Main Shul),

Shabbos Ends: 6:45 PM

Move clocks 1 hour back for EST

Weekday Shacharis:

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

8:00 AM (Blacktop)

Mon. & Thurs.: 6:20 (Main Shul), 7:05

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

Tues., Wed, & Fri: 6:30 (Main Shul), 7:00 AM (Blacktop), 7:10 (Social Hall) , 8:00AM (Main Shul)

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

Mincha/Maariv: 4:40 PM (Main Shul and Blacktop)

Early Mincha-Sunday (Main Shul) 1:00 PM

Late Maariv:7:30(Not Sunday) and 10:10 PM

NOTE RESUMPTION OF 7:30 PM MAARIV MINYAN

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

THANK YOU

Despite the adverse economic climate and the inability to attend Rabbi Beryl Wein's lecture in person, The Edison/HP community has demonstrated Its generous, charitable spirit once again! This year the I. David and Miriam Goldstein Memorial Lecture generated well in excess of \$30,000. Yad Eliezer thanks the community for the outpouring of heartfelt support in providing hundreds of indigent Israelis plentiful food for the Yom Tovim. May we be able to welcome next year's speaker in person and help Yad Eliezer in performing its noble work.

KEYLIM MIKVAH

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

MAZEL TOV

...to Shifra and Daniel Gewirtz on the birth of a son.

...to Marni & Arkady Broder on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Ahuva, and to sister Emma and brothers Koby and Eitan.

Mazel Tov as well to the grandparents Penny and Michael Kaplan, Mila and Greg Broder, and the aunts, uncles and cousins in the Kaplan, Klerer and Broder families.

... to Ted & Shoshana Diskind on the recent marriage of their son, Ari to Zahava this past Sunday. Mazel Tov to Zahava's parents Ephraim and Miriam Farkas, to all the siblings, nephews, nieces and the entire Diskind-Farkas families.

... to Rabbi Dr. Bernhard Rosenberg on the upcoming publication of his new book: "Rosenberg Holocaust Siddur: Program Material Preserving the Memory of the Holocaust". The book should be available on Amazon for the anniversary of Kristallnacht, November 9th.

THURSDAY NIGHT LIVE

All are encouraged to join Thursday Night Live this coming Thursday (11/5) for an engaging and inspiring Shiur by Rabbi Malitzky. This week's Shiur will discuss "Asher Yatzar and Bathroom Etiquette. TNL begins at 9:15pm and takes place in the Social Hall. Please speak with Rabbi Malitzky for sponsorship opportunities.

CONDOLENCES

Deepest condolences to Rifky Atkin, on the recent loss of her mother, Mrs Ethel Roth A"H.

May you be comforted amongst the mourners of Tzion and Yerushalayim.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Our first Friday night with our children back in Shul was a smashing success!

It was so nice seeing the children sitting with and davening together with their fathers.

The younger children loved hearing the story from Rabbi Malitzky, the 6th-8th graders were engaged with Rafi Kreitman, and the high schoolers were inspired by Yair Caplan. Everyone loved the very special Parsha treat!

This week promises to be even better! You will not be disappointed by the Torah or by the treat! All children who can sit with their mother/father or grandmother/grandfather are encouraged to join us in the shul this week!

RABBI SAUER DAF YOMI BE'YUN SHIUR

We are trying to determine if there is sufficient interest in resuming Rabbi Akiva

Sauer's Daf Yomi Be'iyun shiur. The Shiur would take place after 7:15 AM Minyan on Sundays in the social hall with masks and social distancing. If you are interested in being a regular attendee, please contact Arnie Lustiger at alustiger@gmail.com

SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

-Honey & Max Wisotsky in honor in honor of Robert & Michelle Schanzer

I-srael & Rebecca Rivkin in memory of Rivky Atkin's mother Ethel Roth Z"L

-Michael & Penny Kaplan in memory of Rivky -Atkin's mother Ethel Roth Z"L

Michael & Penny Kaplan in memory of Shoshana Diskind's sister Barbara Cohen Z"L

-Michael & Penny Kaplan in honor of the Bat Mitzvah of Ahuva Broder

-Michael & Penny Kaplan in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Avi Klerer.

-Michael & Penny Kaplan in memory of Elliot Ostrove's father Dr. Steven Ostrove Z"L

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

ELECTIONS

Please note if you have not returned your ballots yet, please do so. Deposit in US mail or special drop-off boxes at HP municipal building South 5th Avenue or at Edison municipal bldg. Edison and HP residents can use either.

VOTING IN PERSON IS NOT A REAL OPTION. NOT AT THE USUAL PLACES. PAPER BALLOTS, LINES, ETC. For information, please contact Dr. Israel Rivkin at 732 735 4862

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

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

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](http://www.nybc.org)), 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/driver_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 planning. Email: Marniek18@gmail.com to RSVP and receive your Zoom link.

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

JECHS Open House. register at jechs.org. 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.
- 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.

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

FOR WOMEN

Rebbitzin Eichenstein's classes for women:
-Weather permitting, Tefilla class on Sunday, November 1st 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 November 2nd at 5 pm via the zoom link below
ZOOM:
Meeting ID: 474 278 7632 Passcode: 1 or +19292056099, 4742787632# (New York).
Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4742787632?pwd=b3M4cFJxUHFnZnpuU3kyWW8vNzQ0QT09>
For more info, please contact Ricki Stern at rickistern@gmail.com or call 732-828-6939 (landline).

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, qinatonkonog@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 siegelbad@gmail.com.
HOUSEKEEPING: Housekeeping issues and inquiries contact Lou Smith ludēju@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_ervu](https://twitter.com/hp_ervu) 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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