



# Congregation Ohr Torah

## Weekly Announcements

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Parshat Va'era

3 Shevat 5781

January 16, 2021

**Candlelighting: 4:37 PM**

**Mincha/ Kabolos Shabbos: 4:45 (Main Shul and Social Hall) 4:40PM (RPRY Blacktop)**

**Shacharis:**

**7:25, 9:15 (Main Shul)**

*Hashkama speaker – Ira Krumholtz*

**8:30 (RPRY blacktop),**

**9:15 (YFM- Social Hall)**

**9:30 AM (Teen Minyan, RPRY)**

*Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A) 9:42AM*

**Mincha:**

**1:45 & 4:30 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), 5:45 PM (Main**

**Shul)**

**Shabbos Ends: 5:47PM**

**Weekday Shacharis:**

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

**(Blacktop)**

**Mon. and Thur**

**6:17, 7:05 & 8 AM (Main Shul), 7 AM**

**(Blacktop)**

*Earliest time for Tallis and Tefillin: Monday: 6:20 - Thursday 6:19.*

**Tues., Weds. & Fri.**

**6:30, 7:10 & 8 AM (Main Shul), 7 AM**

**(Blacktop)**

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

**Mincha/Maariv: 4:50 PM (Main Shul and**

**Blacktop)**

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

**Late Maariv: 10:10PM**

**DAF YOMI**

Yossi Strauch will conduct Daf Yomi on Zoom on Sundays at 9 AM and Monday - Thursday at 7:30 PM.

To join, please use the following link:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/6509663250> and enter password 156781. This link and password are to be used for the daily Daf Yomi

### 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](mailto:dralansinger@gmail.com)

### KEYLIM MIKVAH

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

### 2021 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

The 2021 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](mailto: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.

### And New This Year...!!!

Due to increasing requests, we will try to include cell phone numbers in the directory. If you would like your phone number(s) to be published, please send the number(s) and the associated name(s)

to [memberdirectory@ohrtorah.net](mailto:memberdirectory@ohrtorah.net). This information will only be used for directory purposes and will not be shared with any external organizations.

### SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

-Honey & Max Wisotsky in memory of Lou Smith's mother Mae Smith Z"L

-Moshe & Susan Wiesel in memory of Lou Smith's mother Mae Smith Z"L

-Michael & Rhona Eserner in memory of Lou Smith's mother Mae Smith Z"L

-Mel Barenholtz in memory of Josh Rapps father Rabbi Moshe Rapps Z"L

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-Israel & Rebecca Rivkin in memory of Lou Smith's mother Mae Smith Z"L

### CONDOLENCES

We are sorry to inform you of the passing of Mae Smith, the mother of Lou Smith and Joanie Weissman.

Lou can be reached at 732-754-6973

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

### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### ROC OF NEW JERSEY

This Sunday- The ROC of New Jersey is pleased to present the Highland Park/Edison and East Brunswick communities with 'An Eye to the Future: The COVID-19 Vaccine and its Communal Impact'.

The program includes noted medical experts Drs. Elliott Frank, Josh Segal, Arkady Broder and Keren Avery, who will be discussing the COVID-19 vaccine and what it means to our communities. The program will be held virtually Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup> at 8PM. Attendance is free and registration is required. To register go to [www.therocnj.org](http://www.therocnj.org) and click on Events tab.

#### ACTT

ACTT (Achieving Change Thru Torah): module: Bitachon – Trust in Hashem; source book: Artsroll's A "A Life of Bitachon: Stories and insights – connecting with Hashem through faith

and trust" by Rabbi Yitzchak Dwek. For more info, see [www.actt613.org](http://www.actt613.org).

### YESHIVAT NETIVOT MONTESSORI VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE

Tues Jan 19, at 8PM RSVP to [mynetivot.com/openhouse](http://mynetivot.com/openhouse) to receive event link. Now accepting applications for infant through Eighth Grade New family tuition discount! 15% off Early Childhood 10% off Elementary Contact [devora.hollander@mynetivot.com](mailto:devora.hollander@mynetivot.com) Phone: 732-985-4626 Web: [mynetivot.com](http://mynetivot.com)

#### RPRY

Are you a prospective family who would like to learn more about our school? Let's chat! Are you a community member who knows someone that would benefit from our Open House? Introduce us! Because it's virtual, even those considering moving to our community can easily attend. RSVPs can be made at [www.rpry.org](http://www.rpry.org) At Rabbi Pesach Raymon Yeshiva, our warm and nurturing environment provides the platform for academic excellence in general and Judaic studies for pre-schoolers (age 2) to 8th grade. We look forward to introducing prospective families to this great Yeshiva! Shoshana Madsen Dir of Admissions 732-572-5052 x204 [smadsen@rpry.org](mailto:smadsen@rpry.org)

### LEFKOVITS FAMILY PARK MIKVAH PRESENTS ITS ANNUAL SHOVAVIM SHIUR FOR WOMEN

Women's shiur: Lefkovits Family Park Mikvah presents its annual Shovavim shiur which will take place virtually Tue, Feb. 2 at 8:30PM. Aviva Feiner, Rebbitzin of the White Shul in Far Rockaway, former principal of Machon Basya Rochel seminary in Lawrence and Mishpacha's Family First contributor, will be our guest speaker. Zoom details to follow. Info [hpmikvah@gmail.com](mailto:hpmikvah@gmail.com)

#### BIKUR CHOLIM

-Please join us Motzei Shabbos, Feb 13<sup>th</sup> at 8:30PM for the Bikur Cholim Annual (Virtual) Event featuring Master Illusionist and Mentalist, David Blatt. Enjoyment for the whole family! Invitations have been sent out and may not have arrived yet. Please register on our website:

<http://www.bikurcholimrv.org>. Couvert is \$36 per screen. Sponsorships available. Receive a surprise gift by sponsoring by Feb 2.

- WEBSITE: [bikurcholimrv.com](http://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.

#### RABBI YISROEL WEISS' TEHILLIM SHIUR

Rabbi Yisroel Weiss' Tehillim Shiur for men and women on Zoom: Wed night 8PM, Meeting ID: 858 5198 8386, Password: RWTehillim To join by phone: Dial 408-638-0968, enter meeting ID, use password 705203. Any questions, Marsha Eiserman 347-203-7906.

#### RARITAN VALLEY HADASSAH

- In Honor of Tu B'Shevat, the New Year of the Trees "Like a tree planted beside streams of water, which yields its fruit in season, whose foliage never fades and whatever it produces thrives."

**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

(Psalms 1:3) In pursuit of those "streams of water" Barbara Israel Bortniker from Jewish National Fund "WATER SOLUTIONS FOR A THIRSTY WORLD" Addressing the Water Management Issues in Israel and Around the World Sun, Jan 24, 11AM on ZOOM  
Join Zoom Meeting <https://hadassah-org.zoom.us/j/89068423121?pwd=WkRuQ055Q3ZtcVM5NFZ0TGtPTjExdz09>  
Meeting ID: 890 6842 3121; Passcode: 057233;  
RSVP: [Raritanvalleyhadassah@gmail.com](mailto:Raritanvalleyhadassah@gmail.com)  
-Raritan Valley Hadassah presents Bella Scharf Zelingher, former Head of Exhibits at the Jewish Heritage Museum of Monmouth County. She will present her original video about tow philanthropic Jewish brothers, Isidor Straus and Nathan Straus. One of them played a major role in launching Hadassah's medical mission in Israel. Meeting will be held on Sun, Feb 21 at 11am on zoom:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88630214901?pwd=THRVR3VlSWZKSjhR2F6RDgzZmhpPz09>  
Meeting ID: 886 3021 4901; passcode: 997421.

#### FOR WOMEN

Rebbitzen Eichenstein's classes for women:  
Call/text Aviva 732-672-7104 or [siegelmom@gmail.com](mailto:siegelmom@gmail.com) for status of Sun, Jan. 17 and Mon, Jan. 18. classes  
-Women's Learning Initiative:  
· Offers customized Torah learning partners / chavrusas! For a personalized study program of your choice, email your contact info to [womenslearninginitiative@gmail.com](mailto:womenslearninginitiative@gmail.com)  
· Parsha class by Mrs. Miri Cohen takes place on ZOOM Tuesday mornings. Text (732) 710-6932 for time and zoom link.

-Tiferes  
Teves DVD: "Your Pain is Mine," speakers: Dr. David Lieberman and Mrs. Dina Schoonmaker. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are available to Tiferes members. Current teleconference: Speaker: Mrs. Chany Feldbrand; Topic: "The World is on a Roll," how to 'stop and drop' in these challenging times. For more info or to become a member, please contact Aviva at [siegelmom@gmail.com](mailto:siegelmom@gmail.com). The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.

#### 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 appt only. Thru March 13TH: All motzai Shabbos 7:30PM – 9:30PM; weekdays: 8PM–10PM. All preparations should be

done at home and all appts must be made via our [appointment page](#) on [www.parkmikvah.org](http://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, 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, [ginatonkonog@gmail.com](mailto:ginatonkonog@gmail.com). Also contact for no-charge Kallah Classes, as originally taught by Rebbetzin Tehilla Abramov.

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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 the Members tab and then 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](mailto: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](mailto:David@weintraub.name)

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Candlelighting:	4:45 PM
Mincha:	4:55 PM

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