



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

<http://www.ohrtorah.net>

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Payam Hanian - President

Rabbi Sarel Malitzky – Assistant Rabbi

Parshat Terumah / Zachor

18 Adar 5781

February 20, 2021

Candlelighting: 5:19 PM

Mincha/Kabolas Shabbos: 5:25 PM (Main Shul & Social Hall)

Shacharis:

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

Hashkama speaker –Josh Rapps

9:15 (YFM- Social Hall)

9:30 AM (Teen Minyan, RPRY)

Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A)

9:27AM

Mincha:

1:45 & 5:10 PM (Main Shul)

Rabbi Luban's Gemara Chagiga Shiur in Main Shul after Mincha

Maariv: 6:25 PM (Main Shul)

Shabbos Ends: 6:29PM

Weekday Shacharis:

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

Mon.

6:20, 7:05 & 8 AM (Main Shul),

Tues., Weds.

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

Thurs- Fri. (Taanis Esther/Purim)

see schedules

Mincha/Maariv: 5:30 PM (Main Shul)

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

SHIUR FOR WOMEN

This coming Tuesday (2/23) at 8:00pm will be our second Shiur in the new monthly Shiur for women by women who grew up in the Shul.

This month's Shiur will be given by Mrs. Sima (Tiefenbrunn) Greer on the topic of "Purim Unmasked: Megillat Esther". Zoom info to follow.

Rebbetzin Sima Greer is a teacher of Judaic Studies for two decades. She has taught high school Chumash and Navi, is a popular guest lecturer and Kallah teacher, and has directed women's programming and learning in her capacity as a Rebbetzin. She is currently a Curriculum Coordinator in Torah Academy for Girls in Long Island, and serves as Rebbetzin both in her husband's shul in West Hempstead, as well as their Kiruv position in Mount Kisco, NY.

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

MAZEL TOV

...to Marcia and Phil Rosen on the birth, in Israel, of a great granddaughter, Shani Tziporah. Mazel Tov to the parents, Chen and Simcha Spolter; the grandparents, Rena (Rosen) & Rabbi Reuven Spolter, and Devorah & Yosi Weinstock; the great grandmother, Shaine Spolter; and to the entire extended families.

...to Didi and David Matthew on the engagement of their daughter Juliet to Andrew Gellerstein. Mazel Tov to Joseph and Reva, to Juliet's grandmothers Leah Deitcher and Annette Matthew and to Judy and Steven Gellerstein and the entire family.

...to Deborah and Greg Botvinik on the birth of twin boys to their children Jordan and Shani. Mazel Tov to big sister Emma, Shani's parents, and many uncles, aunts and cousins.

PARSHAT ZACHOR

There will be multiple additional readings of Parshat Zachor to accommodate all of the men and women in a safe manner. 10:05 AM-Tent (Sharp), 11:20 AM-Social Hall (Approx.), 11:30 AM-Main Shul (Approx.), 5:00 PM-Tent (Sharp), 5:00PM-Main Shul (Sharp)

TAANIS ESTHER

Thursday February 25

Fast Begins:	5:25 AM
Shacharis:	6:10, 6:50 & 8 AM
Early Mincha	12:45 PM
Mincha	5:00 PM
Fast Ends:	6:35 PM

LOST & FOUND

Found Friday: money & jewelry on Edgemount Road. Text 908-208-6413 to identify items.

SHUL POLICY-PURIM

Please make sure that no one does anything which will destroy or damage Shul property, including our pews and carpeting. No explosive devices whatsoever will be permitted in Shul. We would greatly appreciate everyone's cooperation in this matter.

MATONOS L'EVYONIM

-Rabbi Luban is collecting for Matonos L'evyonim. Please make checks out to Congregation Ohr Torah and put Matonos L'evyonim on the "For" line of the check. -Rabbi Brudny will IY"H be raising funds for *Matonos l'evyonim* as he has been doing in the past. Due to the pandemic, he will not personally be visiting the shul on Purim. He

will be available at his home until late Purim afternoon to receive and distribute the *Matonos*. Checks can be sent to his home at: 331 North 8th Ave - Edison and made payable to either his name or to Toras Chessed. Funds can also be sent via Zelle: to matevyon@gmail.com. He may be reached by phone at (732) 668-3546.

PURIM SCHEDULE

Please see the sign-up sheet (link is below) for our Purim Minyanim and Megilla readings. As Rabbi Luban mentioned in the email last Friday, it would be helpful if people would volunteer to sign up for the second shift on Thursday night. The schedule is as follows:

Thursday Night:

- 1) **Maariv@6:25 with Megilla to follow @6:35**, Main Shul, Social Hall, RPRY gym. Please note that no children under Bar Mitzvah will be allowed in the Gym Minyan.
- 2) **Maariv@7:35 with Megilla to follow @7:45**, Main Shul.
- 3) **Megilla only @9:00**, Main Shul.

Friday morning:

- 1) **6:00am** Shacharis (Megilla approximately at 6:35)- *Main Shul*
- 2) **7:00am** Shacharis (Megilla approximately at 7:35)- *Social Hall*- no children under 10
- 3) **7:30am** Shacharis (Megilla approximately at 8:05)- *Main Shul*
- 4) **8:00am** Shacharis (Megilla approximately at 8:35)- *RPRY gym*
- 5) **8:30** Shacharis (Megilla approximately at 9:05)- *Social Hall*
- 6) **10:00** Megilla only- *Main Shul*

Early Mincha: 12:45 PM

Mincha/ Kabolas Shabbos 5:35 PM

To register for minyanim:

<http://www.ohrtorah.net/minyan>

OT SHAIMOS COLLECTION SCHEDULED FOR 2-28-2021

Congregation Ohr Torah will hold this year's community Shaimos Collection on Sunday, February 28 from 9:30AM to 6PM. The cost is \$20 per large garbage sized bag. Please make all checks out to Congregation Ohr Torah. (Coordinator/questions) Barry Siegel, siegeldad@gmail.net

Seforim sale: There will also be a used Seforim sale at this time, Great Bargains!!! Come find your hard-to-find and/or out-of-print books and stock up your home libraries.

SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

-Moshe & Debbie Schneider in honor of their parents

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

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEDICAL TOPICS LUNCH AND LEARN

St Peter's Univ Hospital is teaming up with the East Brunswick Public Library for virtual Lunch N Learn programs. "Better Exercise Best You" will be presented on Fri, Mar, 5th at 12pm. Bonnie Saunders, PT, MPA, DPT, Manager of Physical Rehab Services at St Peter's Univ Hospital will explore the various reasons and motivations to exercise and connect these to the various types of exercise. She will also discuss some of the common barriers to establishing a successful exercise routine and some strategies to overcome these barriers. Registration is requested for these free events. For more info or to register, please go to www.ebpl.org/calendar or 732-390-6767.

PLEASE SUPPORT HATZOLAH!

Chevra Hatzolah of Middlesex County provides lifesaving emergency medical services to our community 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. But the COVID pandemic has significantly increased our costs and expenses and now, Hatzolah needs your help so that we can continue serving the community with the same level of care that you and your loved ones deserve. PLEASE DONATE GENEROUSLY! Checks can be sent to P.O. Box 778 Edison, NJ, 08818 or you can give online at <https://www.hatzolahmc.org>. Thank you for your support!

ACTT

ACTT (Achieving Change Thru Torah): At the ACTT 2/14/2021 "The Six Constant Mitzvos 2" Zoom Kickoff Event, participants shared motivating comments about the new module. Thank you all who joined and shared. The inspiring shiur by Rav Nachman Elsan is available on the Audio page: www.actt613.org/6.html.

FREE LARGE PRINT HAGGADOT

If you or someone you know needs a Large Print Haggadah this year, please call JBI toll-free 1-800-999-6476 before March 15 and they will be happy to send you a Large Print Haggadah, completely free of charge.

BPY PURIM, PAJAMAS & STORYTIME

BPY invites all prospective students ages 2-6 to a virtual PURIM, PAJAMAS & STORYTIME with Morah Jessica on Sunday, Feb 21 at 6:30 pm! Children are invited to come dressed in their pj's or a costume and bring a ra'ashan! Please email admissions@benporatyosef for the zoom link!

NETIVOT'S GOODS AND SERVICES RAFFLE

Buy tickets for Netivot's Goods and Services Raffle. Promoting local businesses while supporting Netivot's scholarship fund. Amazing prizes like 3 weeks of summer camp! Drawing Feb 22. mynetivot.com/raffle

BLOOD DRIVE

On Sun, Mar 14th, we will be holding our next community blood drive from 9 AM to 3PM, at Ahavas Achim, 216 S. First Ave., HP. All social distancing and protective strategies will be in place. 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), 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/live_schedule/287325

FOR WOMEN

- Rebbitzin Eichenstein's classes for women: please contact Aviva at sieglmom@gmail.com for

status of classes on Sunday, February 21 and Monday, February 22.

-Sunday, February 14 at 10:00 AM, Tefilla class

-Monday, February 15 at 8:00 PM, Parsha class

For more info, please contact Aviva at

sieglmom@gmail.com

-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

· Parsha class by Mrs. Miri Cohen takes place on ZOOM Tuesday mornings. Text (732) 710-6932 for time and zoom link.

-Tiferes: Adar DVD: "Choose Simcha", speakers: Rabbi Dr. Abraham J. Twerski z"l and Mrs. Yehudis Hexter. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are available to Tiferes members. Current teleconference: "Purim & Pesach, The Pressure & the Pleasure," features Mrs. Debbie Selengut, Mrs. Rochel Goldbaum, Mrs. Seryl Berman, Mrs. Cirel Septimus, and Mrs. Miryam Swerdlov. 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:

- 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.

- Thursday, February 25, Taanis Esther - the mikvah will be open by appointment only between the hours of 9:00 PM - 10:00 PM

-The Mikvah is currently by appointment only. Thru March 13, 2021: All motzai Shabbos 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM; weekdays: 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM. All preparations should be done at home. No showers or baths at the mikvah. All appointments must be made via our [appointment page on www.parkmikvah.org](http://www.parkmikvah.org) or at MikvahCloud.com or via the MikvahCloud app. 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.

-Re-Pleat - Gemach of outfits for dressy occasions!

New in Edison/HP! Have something to donate?

Have a special occasion and need something to wear? Open by appt only. Text 732-267-3216

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 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'chur 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 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.

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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Mincha: 5:35 PM

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