



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parshat Shemoth

21 Tevet 5782

December 25, 2021

Candlelighting: 4:17 PM

Mincha/Kabolas Shabbos: 4:25 PM (main Shul and Beis Midrash)

Shacharis: 7:45 (Social Hall), 9:00 AM (Main Shul), 9:15 (YFM)

Hashkama speaker: Joshua Cypess

9:30 AM (Teen Minyan, RPRY)

Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR'A) 9:38AM

Rabbi Luban's Chagigah Shiur -3:20 PM

Mincha: 1:45, & 4:10 PM

Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Larry Greenman

Maariv: 5:25 PM

Shabbos Ends: 5:27 PM

Weekday Shacharis

Sun. 7:15, 8 & 9 AM

Rabbi Akiva Sauer's Shiur on Daf Yomi Be'iyun

After 7:15 Shacharis

Mon. & Thur 6:17, 7:05 & 8 AM

(Main Shul)

Tues., Weds., & Fri 6:30, 7:10 & 8 AM

There will be an additional 9AM Shacharis Minyan on Friday 12/31.

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

Daily Mincha/ Maariv 4:25 PM

Shimon Daniel BM Program 9-10 PM Wed.

Late Maariv: 7:30 & 10:10

7:30 Maariv does not take place on Sundays

DAF YOMI SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK:

Friday night - after Kabolas Shabbos;

Shabbos - 45 min before Mincha;

Sunday - after 8 AM Shacharis;

Monday-Thursday - after 7:30 PM Maariv

KIDDUSH

The Shul Kiddush is being sponsored by Marla and Mitch Rottenstreich at RPRY in honor of Nati's Bar Mitzvah.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Miriam and Larry Greenman in memory of Larry's father, Reb Gershon Mordechai ben Reb Yehoshua Menachem and in memory of Miriam's father Rav Yosef Yochanan ben Rav Avraham, Z"l.

KOLLEL BREAKFAST

Dr. Moshe Schneider, Chairman of the Highland Park Community Kollel Breakfast is pleased to announce that the Guest of Honor at this year's Breakfast will be Dr. Arnie Lustiger. The Breakfast will IY'H take place on Sunday Morning, January 16th at Ohr Torah. Invitations and details to follow.

GET YOUR 2021 TAX DEDUCTION

Year end statements were mailed out this week to those members with outstanding balances. Please settle your account by the end of the year and receive a 2021 tax deduction! If you have any questions regarding your account, please email our financial secretary, Brian Allen, at kiddydent1@gmail.com.

MAZEL TOV

... to Marla and Mitch Rottenstreich on the Bar Mitzvah of their dear son, Nati. Mazel Tov to Nati's sisters, Mayana and Emunah, to Nati's grandparents, Mrs. Collette Rottenstreich and Mr. and Mrs. Mark Spinner and all of the aunts, uncles, cousins and dear friends who came from near and far to celebrate the Simcha.

...to Mildred and Irwin Goldblatt on the birth of a great-granddaughter, Aliza Rivka, born to their grandchildren Abie and Talya Weinstock. Mazel Tov to the grandparents Sarah and Steven Rand and Rabbi Matis Weinstock and Ms. Lea Tenenbaum and to all the aunts, uncles and cousins.

MUSICAL SHABBOS

Once again, Ohr Torah is hosting a musical Shabbos this Shabbos with this year's featured "Chazzan" being world renowned singer and composer Eitan Katz. Eitan will welcome in Shabbos with an incredible Kabbalat Shabbat davening, and will also lead an inspiring Mussaf Shabbos day. The community is invited to another "famous Friday night Oneg" at 8:30pm at the home of Michie and Sari Klerer, 16 Celler Road

LEGAL HOLIDAY SHIUR

The entire congregation is invited to a special breakfast and legal holiday shiur on Friday morning 12/31. We are excited to present Rabbi Josh Hess, new Rabbi at Young Israel of East Brunswick. The breakfast and Shiur will take place in the social hall following the 8am minyan.

2022 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

The 2022 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, home phone, cell phone(s), children's names (including sons/daughters-in-law), and email addresses to

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.

NEW ARTSCROLL SIDDURIM

DEDICATIONS

OT would like to replace the older taped up Artscroll all Hebrew Yitzchak Yair Siddurim with new ones. If you would like to dedicate these new replacement Siddurim, please

contact Barry Siegel (siegeldad@gmail.com). The cost is \$25 per siddur or 5 for \$100.

CONDOLENCES

Congregation Ohr Torah expresses sincere condolences to:

- Heshy Gottlieb on the loss of his mother, Beverly Gottlieb, Bracha bat Tzvi, z"l.
 - Judy Weisfogel on the passing of her mother, Mrs. Audrey Kuker. Shiva will be at the home of Judy's parents. By request, there will be no in-person visitation. Text messages can be left for Judy on her mobile number.
- May you be comforted amongst the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

RE-TILING

Starting Tuesday Morning, January 4th, Congregation Ohr Torah will start the retiling of the front steps and hallways, both upstairs and downstairs. This work will take approximately two weeks. For the duration of the work please adhere to the following:

- Do not use the front doors. Please use only the side door on the left side of the building, toward the back, which will be kept open only during Davening times.
- All Weekday Davening will take place in the Social Hall and the YFM room.
- All Shabbos Davening will take place in the Social Hall and the YFM room. Minyan schedules will be adjusted to accommodate all Davening downstairs. Access will be through the side door only.
- There will be NO Kiddush or Shalosh Seudos on Shabbos.
- There will be NO access to the building during the day (other than at Davening times) for any reason.
- There will be NO access to the Keylim Mikvah other than at Davening times.
- There will be NO access to the Beis Medrash at all.

If there are any access issues, please contact Leslie Ney, Barry Siegel or Eli Wiesel. Thanks for your cooperation

NEW BEIS MEDRASH OZ V'HADAR SHAS SET

Ohr Torah would like to thank Mitch & Marla Rottenstreich for the dedication of a new Oz V'hadar Shas set in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of Nati Rottenstreich.

SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

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

-Drora & Sheldon Waltuch in memory of Rebbitzten Debby Kaufman's mother, Mrs. Beatrice Eisenman Z"l

-Drora & Sheldon Waltuch in memory of Heshy Gottlieb's mother, Mrs. Beverly Gottlieb Z"l

-Moshe & Susan Wiesel in memory of Heshy Gottlieb's mother, Mrs. Beverly Gottlieb Z"l

LUNCH AND LEARN PRESENTS

ROSENWALD

We are sorry to announce cancellation of the Tuesday Lunch and Learn because of the wide spreading Omnicron variant. We will let you know when a new date is set for the Rosenwald program.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

TOMCHEI SHABBOS OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY BENEFIT CONCERT FEATURING EITAN KATZ

Give the Gift of Shabbos!!! Tomchei Shabbos of Middlesex County Presents Eitan Katz Live in Concert Motzei Shabbos, Dec 25, at Chabad of Rutgers (170 College Ave, New Brunswick), sponsored by Donny Epstein and Elliot Ostrove and the firm EPSTEINOSTROVE. Doors open 7:30PM To Purchase Tickets go to www.tomcheimc.org VIP \$100 online (\$150 at the door) Gen admission \$36 online (\$54 at the door)

SUPPORT HATZOLAH OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY

Hatzolah is here to answer your call for help 24/7/365. But our dedicated Hatzolah volunteers need your support to ensure that they are able to continue providing our community with the best possible emergency care. Hatzolah is a 501 (c)(3) organization and all donations are tax deductible. Please get your donation in by Dec 31 to benefit from a 2021 tax deduction. To donate, please go to: <https://www.hatzolahmc.org/>

HELP SUPPORT NATIONAL MANDATORY HOLOCAUST EDUCATION IN HIGH SCHOOLS

There is a Facebook page with the initiative to promote a National Mandate for Holocaust Education as a requirement for high school education. There currently is no national mandate and although I graduated Rutgers as a Master Teacher of The Holocaust, even in NJ a teacher can fulfill that requirement with 10 min. -Dorene Schwartz-Weitz *"If You Don't Have Mandatory Holocaust Education, Demand It"* Sign up for their Facebook Group titled [Campaigning to make Holocaust education mandatory.](#)

TIFERES

TIFERES: Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are available to Tiferes members. Current weekly teleconference: "Discover the Anxiety Antidote"; Speaker: Mrs. Yocheved Davidowitz. For more info or to become a member, please contact Aviva at siegelmom@gmail.com. The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zecher In'ishmas Malka bas Shalom.

PARENTING WORKSHOP AT RPRY

"RPRY is thrilled to invite you to a two-part parenting workshop in using the Nurtured Heart Approach (NHA) on January 3rd & 10th, 8pm-9:30pm. RPRY teachers began training in this method beginning in 2019 as a wonderful component of RPRY's whole-child approach to Chinuch. Any prospective parent who attends will automatically enter a raffle to win a waiver

for one student's application fee. A winner will be drawn at each session! Two parents attending? Two raffle tickets! RSVPs can be made at www.rpry.org.

CHUG IVRIT

Chug Ivrit for intermediate to advanced Hebrew speakers, Sun Dec 26 at 11am. via Zoom. Read a Hebrew article or story and chat in Hebrew. To RSVP, Rachel at rachel@weintraubworld.net or 732-819-9298.

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: contact Leah at 917-763-1848 for time, location & zoom link for shiur on Tuesday.
- Rebbitzten Eichenstein's classes for women: For info on Sun, Dec. 26 and Mon, Dec. 27 classes contact Aviva at siegelmom@gmail.com.

RABBI YISROEL WEISS' TEHILLIM SHIUR FOR MEN AND WOMEN ON ZOOM

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

LEFKOVITS FAMILY PARK MIKVAH

The Mikvah is appt only. All appts should be made via MikvahCloud.com or via MikvahCloud app Regular services, baths and showers, are offered. See mikvahcloud.com for mikvah hours. Face mask should be worn at the mikvah. All comments and questions, email hpmikvah@gmail.com

GEMACHS

-Etz Ahaim has complete list of all area gemachs at <https://www.etzahaim.org/local-gemachs/>
-The Lev L'Nefesh Hachnosas Kallah Centerpiece Gemach The Gemach has a beautiful array of centerpieces/vases/props to loan out for simchos. Call/text: (732) 570-9433 for appt.
-Edison/HP gown Gmach! Large selection of children's, teen and adult gowns. Limited boys tux avail. Donations of gowns in excel condition (with sleeves and round collar) accepted. Text 5165260941 for info/appt. Leiluy mishmas Yitzhak Ben binyamin.
-DIABETIC SUPPLIES GEMACH: Diabetic Supplies-Insulin, test strips, meters etc. for those who ran out/waiting for insurance approval or guests who left supplies at home. Text Deutsch family at 646-683-7394.

-Sheitl Gemach: Brayla Custom Wigs is also a sheitl gemach. Wigs of all conditions accepted. All welcome-any location drop off/pick up. Renee@braylawigs.com 908-208-5738. Edison, NJ
-Diaper Gemach HP/Edison: Diapers, pullups, wipes needed Email diapergemach@gmail.com.
-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.
-Re-Pleat-Gemach of outfits for dressy occasions! 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 luddeju@gmail.com or 732-572-5633.

KEILIM MIKVAH HOURS : Ohr Torah Keilim Mikvah hours are officially Sundays 7AM-10AM.

OHR TORAH YOUTH PROGRAM: Children can register for events on OT's website "ohrtorah.net" or call Aaron Breslin at 908-907-7308.

REFUAH SHLEIMAH LEARNING: See 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 732-678-8848 (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 Members tab, then click "Register for OT Yahrzeit Notification" or speak with Ralph Dessau or Gene Wasserman.

LOCAL ERUV: Find out status of the eruv by:

Email: We send out email within 30 minutes after eruv's status has been determined. Sign up to this service by sending a blank email to hperuv+subscribe@groups.io.

Twitter: This is our official notification channel. Follow [@hp_eruv](https://twitter.com/hp_eruv) to get the eruv status as soon as it has been determined.

Facebook: Join Facebook Group [hperuv](https://www.facebook.com/hperuv) and get eruv notifications within 30 minutes after Twitter update.

Website: Website at <https://hperuv.org> shows eruv's status on the top of the main page. Website also has up to date map of entire eruv.

Hotline: 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

Parshas Vaera

Candlelighting:	4:22 PM
Mincha:	4:30 PM

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