



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi

Robert Kreitman - President

Rabbi Sarel Malitzky - Assistant Rabbi

Parshat Metzora/Hagaddol

8 Nissan 5782

April 9, 2022

Candlelighting: 7:11 PM

Mincha/Kabolas Shabbos: 6:45 PM (SH), 7:20 PM (Main Shul).

Shacharis:

7:45 (Social Hall), 9:00 AM (Main Shul), 9:15 (YFM), 9:30 AM (Teen Minyan, RPRY)

*Hashkama speaker: David Sidney
Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A) 9:44 AM
Rabbi Luban's Gemara Beitzah Shiur
cancelled this week*

Mincha (Main Shul): 1:45, & 6:45 PM

*NOTE EARLIER TIME: Followed by Rabbi Luban's
Shabbos Hagadol Drasha*

Maariv: 8:20 PM

Shabbos Ends: 8:21 PM

Weekday Shacharis

Sun. 7:15, 8 & 9 AM

*Rabbi Akiva Sauer's Shiur on Daf Yomi Be'iyun
cancelled until after Pesach*

Mon, Thurs: 6:20, 7:05 & 8 AM

Tue, Wed, 6:30, 7:10 & 8 AM

Early Mincha-Sunday 1:45 PM

Daily Mincha/ Maariv 7:25 PM

Shimon Daniel BM Program 9:10-10:10 PM Wed.

Late Maariv: 10:10 PM

DAF YOMI SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK:

Friday night – After Maariv

Shabbos – 1 hour before Mincha

Sunday - after 8 AM Shacharis;

Monday-Thursday - after Zman Maariv

SHABBOS HAGADOL DRASHA

Rabbi Luban will be delivering his Shabbos Hagadol Drasha: *Bolts of Lightning in The Sea of Darkness: The Significance of the City of Bnai Brak (literal translation: "Children of a Lightning Bolt") In the Hagadah and our Lives.*

There will be no Shalosh Seudos in Shul this week.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush is sponsored by Sara and Ari Welner in honor of Yael's Bat Mitzvah.

HAGGADA HIGHLIGHTS

Be armed with interesting and engaging Divrei Torah for the Seder! All men and women are invited at 8:45am (after the 8am Minyan) Sunday morning (4/10) to learn Torah thoughts on the Seder with Rabbi Malitzky. Please bring your own Haggada.

MAOS CHITIM /SELLING CHAMETZ

Rabbi Luban is collecting for Maos Chitim. Please make checks out to Congregation Ohr Torah and put Maos Chitim on the "For" line. He will also be available for selling Chametz.

NEW MEMBER

Please welcome new members Ally Cooper and her 2 daughters, Leora and Natalie.

MAZEL TOV

...to Sara and Ari Welner on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Yael. Mazel tov to the Welner, Mandel, and Eserner families.
...to Shoshana and Brian Allen on the engagement of their daughter, Gila to Oshi Bloom of New Rochelle, NY. Mazal tov to Oshi's parents Rabbi Daniel and Ali Bloom, to Gila's grandparents Rochelle and Ralph Dessau and Florence and Manny Allen, to Gila's siblings and nieces and to the entire Allen, Dessau, Bachrach, Gersten and Banner families.
... to Naomi and Josh Caplan and Rabbi Steven and Gila Miodownik on the engagement of their children, Yair and Arielle. Mazel Tov to grandparents Iola Caplan, Seena and Izzy Miodownik, Sabina and Sheldon Silbiger, Aunt Lori and Uncle Jon Caplan, and all of Yair and Arielle's siblings.

FRIDAY (EREV PESACH) SCHEDULE

-Shacharis - 6:20, 7:05, 8 & 9AM (followed by *Siyum*)
Latest time for eating Chametz -10:21 AM
Latest time for burning Chametz -11:40 AM
-Edison residents: NOTE LOCATION CHANGE: Garbage, recycle trucks and chametz burning at cul-de-sac at end of Edgemount Road in front of Ohr Torah from 7-11:30 AM. Please limit chametz burning to what is ritually necessary. THERE MUST BE NO PARKING IN THE ENTIRE CUL DE SAC ALL MORNING ON FRIDAY
-HP Residents: The Borough of Highland Park offers a Chometz disposal drop-off service for any residents that wish to drop off garbage and recycling materials, the morning before Passover. Chometz disposal will be offered on Friday, April 15, 2022, during the hours of 6:30am – 1:00pm, at the Department of Public Works building, located at: 444 Valentine Street in Highland Park

- *Special thanks to committeewoman Fran Bar-Eli for arranging this year's trash collection and chametz burning with Edison Township..*
- *Thanks to Mayor Joshi for approving this on a Township holiday.*
- *Thanks also to Sgt Douglas Turner, Edison police, Raymond Poerio, Director of DPW, and Deputy Fire Marshal Ron DeMarco .*

LUNCH AND LEARN

Lunch and Learn returns with the incredible story of the German-Jewish immigrant Julius

Rosenwald, owner of Sears. He partnered with Booker T. Washington and built 5,000 schools for the African American community in the segregated South.
Date Tuesday May 17 at 12 noon. Cost of admission is \$14 to defray the cost of a scrumptious dairy luncheon. Pre-registration required at least one week before the event. Email Bella Lerner blerner18@optonline.net or call Mildred Goldblatt at 732 572 1712 We require your email address and phone number.

CONDOLENCES

Congregation Ohr Torah extends deepest condolences to Ellen Fisher on the loss of her father, Isaac Stansky, Z"L.
Ellen is sitting Shiva thru Thursday at 15 Salem Drive, New City, NY.
On Friday, Ellen will sit Shiva at her home at 50 Hamlin Road from 10:00 - 2:00.
"May you be comforted among the mourners of Zion and Yerushalayim."

YOM HASHOA PROGRAM

We will be having a community Yom Hashoa Program with a candle lighting ceremony. Featured speaker - Robert Lichtman- Chief Jewish Learning Officer at Jewish Federation of Greater Metro-West
When: Wednesday April 27th at 8:15 pm
Where: Ohr Torah

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

TIKVA CHILDREN'S HOME

For 20+ years I have been privileged to sit on the Board of Tikva, a Jewish orphanage located in Odessa, Ukraine. I have traveled to Odessa over a dozen times, witnessing firsthand the awe-inspiring work of Tikva that cares for homeless, abandoned and abused Jewish children in Odessa.

I am pleased to announce that Congregation Ohr Torah (OT) has chosen to join the Shuls for Ukrainian Jewry campaign – working in conjunction with communities around North America, the OU, RCA, and National Council of Young Israel – to raise much needed funds for Tikva Odessa Children's Home.

We are engaged in an emergency fundraiser to cover everything from:
-Food and Basic Supplies (e.g., medications, emergency equipment – batteries, candles, torches, sleeping bags, etc.)
-Backup Communications (e.g., two way radios and satellite phones)
-Medical Equipment (e.g., defibrillators, first aid kits)
-Refrigerated Truck to keep meat and dairy supplies mobile generators
-An International -Security Firm of private contractors to guide evacuations and offer physical security and support services on the ground

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

Any help that can be offered would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be made on the website <https://upreaching.com/ou/congregation-ohr-torah-of-edison> or directly on the Tikva website <https://www.tikvaodessa.org/donate/>. Please feel free to contact me directly regarding ANY questions. -Thank you, Effy Zinkin

THE FRUIT TREE BRACHA

The annual Bracha made upon first seeing a flowering fruit tree is posted in front of the ornamental plum tree on the Fairhill side of 401 North Eighth Ave.

SHATZER MATZAH SHMURAH

As requested Rabbi Shimoni is again as a service to the community selling Shatzer Matzah Shmurah. Charge is \$35 per lb for regular or whole wheat. Send orders to matzahshmurah22@gmail.com or call 732-846-0097. Oat, spelt, and extra thin also available. Call for more info. Pickup will be by appt at 320 Raritan Ave, Suite 303A (Petmar bldg)

RPRY ANNUAL DINNER

PRY is excited to announce our Annual Dinner will take place on Tuesday, May 31 at 6:30pm at the Rutgers Hillel.

Dr. Sandra & Dr. Raymond Cypess
Dr. Rebecca & Rabbi Dr. Joshua Cypess
Guests of Honor
Avital & Yaakov Rosenberg
Alumni Leadership Award
Stay tuned for more details after Pesach!

RPRY WALK UNITED

RPRY has kicked off a fundraiser for United Hatzalah's Operation Orange Wings which provides humanitarian and medical aid to Ukrainian refugees, as well as bring Jewish refugees home to Israel. From April 11-13, middle school students will be walking laps during their gym classes to raise money for Ukrainian refugees, many of whom have had to walk to their freedom. Please join RPRY in our support of United Hatzalah and the Ukrainian refugees by making a donation to this campaign and help us meet our \$3,600 goal. Donations can be made via our campaign page on United Hatzalah's website: <https://israelrescue.org/RPRYWalkUnited>.

EMPLOYMENT NETWORK OF RARITAN VALLEY

Looking for work? We can help. Email Bob Lansey at ENRVInfo@gmail.com if you would like to receive our job postings and/or would like help with your resume and search strategies. Please help: If you know of any professional, part-time, or temporary job openings, please email the info to ENRVInfo@gmail.com.

RUTGERS HILLEL ANNUAL GALA

The Rutgers Hillel Annual Gala takes place at the Eva and Arie Halpern Hillel House, 70 College Ave, New Brunswick, Mon, April 11. Lavish dinner: 6pm. Program: 7:45 pm. For registration, visit: <https://rutgershillel.org/gala2022>. Questions- Barbara Cohen at barbaric@rutgershillel.org or 973- 943-6005.

NORPAC VIRTUAL MISSION 2022

We are eager to make this a strong year for Israel advocacy during our Virtual Mission to Washington during the week of May 9-12. We count on your participation to make the case to over 90% of Congress about supporting continued military assistance to Israel, curtailing Iranian nuclear ambitions and terror sponsorship, fighting back against the de-legitimization of Israel, and many other important topics. Join NORPAC Members for our week-long Virtual Event. Choose one or more days and various time slots throughout the day that are convenient for you to meet via zoom in groups with Members of Congress and their staff

to advocate on the most pressing US-Israel issues. Register by membership in NORPAC via norpac.net Avi@norpac.net or call 2017885133. See Marc Hanfling for more info.

RPRY CAMP KULANU

RPRY is thinking about our Camp Kulanu sensation! Summer fun is just around the corner, and we're planning for an amazing Camp Kulanu 2022!! REGISTER NOW for all THREE CAMPS - 2022! Any questions contact Camp Kulanu Dir Rebecca Bick at rbick@rpry.org, or call (732) 572-5052. Looking forward to an awesome summer camp with your children!!

LEFKOVITS FAMILY PARK MIKVAH

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

FOR WOMEN

Rebbitzin Eichenstein's classes for women: Contact Aviva Siegel at siegelmom@gmail.com for status of Sunday and Monday classes.

-TIFERES: Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are available to Tiferes members. Current weekly teleconference: "Free to Be Me: An exploration of true freedom" with Mrs. Rochel Goldbaum. For more info or to become a member, please contact Aviva at siegelmom@gmail.com. The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom. -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 - Rebbitzin Eichenstein's classes for women will resume after Pesach. For more info, please contact Aviva Siegel at siegelmom@gmail.com. - Parsha class by Mrs. Miri Cohen: Contact Leah at 917-763-1848 for time, location &/zoom link for shiur on Tuesday.

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 Gemach! 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 Yitzchak 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. -Diaper Gemach HP/Edison: Diapers, pullups, wipes needed Email diapergemach@gmail.com. -Kittel gemach If you-or someone you know--needs 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? By appt only. Text 732-267-3216 -MEZUZOS-L'iluy nishmas Faiga Gitel bas Binyamin Zev HaKohen. Contact Lasar Family (732) 985-1050. - Kittel gemach available. If you - or someone you know--needs to borrow a kittel, please call Jeff or Lee Ann Schein at 732-545- 9353. Four sizes

available. Kittel gemach is in memory of Lazar Lipman ben Chaim Yitzhak.

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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 are paused pending new initiatives
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: 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_ervu](https://twitter.com/hp_ervu) 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

Pesach

Candlelighting:	7:18 PM
Mincha:	7:25 PM

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