



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

<http://www.ohrtorah.net>

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Parshat Bamidbar/Mevarchim

Iyar 29 5783

May 20, 2023

Friday Pre-Plag Mincha 5:45 PM
Candlelighting: 7:53 PM

Mincha/Kabolas Shabbos: 7:00 (Carlebach Minyan in Main Shul), Regular Minyan in YFM, 7:30 (Beit Medrash) & 8 PM (Main Shul).

Shacharis :

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

Hashkama Speaker: Rabbi Luban

Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A) 9:15 AM

Rabbi Luban's Gemara Beitza Shiur 6:55 PM

Mincha (Main Shul): 1:45, 6:00 & 7:45 PM

Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Dr. Reuben Atlas

Maariv: 9:00 PM

Shabbos Ends: 9:02 PM

Weekday Shacharis

Sunday 7:00, 8 & 9AM

Rabbi Sauer's shiur cancelled this week

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

Tues., Wed. 6:30, 7:10, & 8 AM

Early Mincha-Sunday 1:45 PM

Weekday Mincha/Maariv 8:05 PM

Late Maariv: 10:10 PM

Tues.: Semichas Chaver Program: 8:20 PM

Tues. Tehilim: 9:30 PM via Zoom

Daf Yomi Schedule

Friday night No Daf

Shabbos 45 before Zman Mincha

Sunday After 8AM Shacharis

Monday -Wednesday 7:30

KIDDUSH

Kiddush is sponsored by Mindy and David Waizer in honor of Matthew's Aufruf

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is co-sponsored by:

-Roseanne and Arnie Koenigson in memory of Shlomo Settler ben Moshe Yaakov A"H.

Siggy and his sister were sent on the Kindertransport from Vienna to England before World War 2. After the war when they found out that their parents were killed, Siggy went to Israel where he joined the IDF. He fell in the battle for Be'er Tuvia a few months after arriving in Israel

-Naomi and Josh Caplan in honor of the Yahrtzeit of Josh's **Zayde, Solomon Schipler, Shlomo ben Binyamin Tzvi Halevi A"H.**

-Herb Engel to commemorate the Yahrtzeit of his wife Bobbi, Bracha Bayla bas Yisroel A"H.

OT SISTERHOOD EVENT

Come join the OT Sisterhood on May 23 at 7pm for a fun evening where you will learn how to make a beautiful and delicious cheese board to take home for Shavuos while relaxing with a glass of wine! To RSVP

please Venmo \$36 to @OTSisterhood and put your name and SHAVUOS in the comments. Email Melissa Jerushalmy with any questions at melissajer@optonline.net

MAZEL TOV

...to Mindy and David Waizer on the Aufruf of their son Matthew and his upcoming marriage to Shaina Davis of Manhattan. Mazel Tov to Matthew's grandparents Jonas and Clara Waizer and Marvin and Janice Teichman, as well as Shaina's parents, Jeff and Heidi Davis and to the siblings, friends and extended family who are here this Shabbos to celebrate.

...to Rachel & Myron Gurell on the birth of a baby boy to their children Ahuva & Dani Lilker. Mazel Tov to big brothers Aharon & Moshe Yehudah and big sisters Tziporah, Orly, Kayla & Bracha.

DINNER VIDEOS

The two videos shown at the dinner honoring Rabbi Luban, including a slide show set to music, can be viewed at the Shul website: ohrtorah.net

FLOWER SPONSORSHIP

Ohr Torah will once again plant flowers into the concrete planters in front of the building in an effort to beautify the exterior of our Shul. We are looking for \$50 sponsors per planter to help defray the cost of the flowers. If you would like to sponsor a planter, please contact Robert Kreitman

(robkreitman@gmail.com) or Leslie Ney (lesney@att.net).

CONDOLENCES

Congregation Ohr Torah extends sincere condolences to the following members on their recent loss this past week:

- Susie Wiesel on the loss of her mother, Mrs. Rachel Lefkovits, Z"L. Shiva will conclude Saturday night 9:30 PM-12:00 AM, at 30 South Adelaide Apt 2E, Highland Park
- Michelle Schanzer on the loss of her mother, Mrs. Arlene Turco, Z"L.

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

TEEN BOYS TIKUN LEIL SHAVUOS

Come join us on Leil Shavuos at OT for Father-Son learning with Rabbi Malitzky and the YFM. We will also hear great Divrei Torah from Boys in the Beis and TBC All Star R' Aaron Breslin. This year, we have the very special zchus of hearing a Dvar Torah from our very own, raised in Teen Minyan, Yair Caplan. Plus the usual food, raffles and good times! Thank you to the Eserner and Haller

Families for their continued generosity to enhance our Shavuos learning experience.

LEIL SHAVUOS LEARNING FOR TEENS AND YOUNG WOMEN

All girls in MS, HS, College, and beyond are invited to a special shavuos night learning program at RPRY. Come hear shiurim from community Rabbis, shiurim from women educators and role models, and learn in chaburot by some of Ohr Torah's amazing young women. Delicious refreshments and fun times! The learning has been generously sponsored by Lisa and Barry Schanzer in loving memory of Lisa's mother, Edith Glaser ע"ה

OT YOUTH PROGRAM

On Shabbos May 27th from 5pm-6pm in the OT Social Hall there will be parent/child learning where we will be reviewing NCSWhy do we stay up Shavuos night? Link shown below. Extra copies will be available.

<https://s3.amazonaws.com/ncsy-education/Shavuot-Why.pdf>

Following our learning we will have a cold Shabbos and Shavuos treat of Rita's Ices!

COMMUNITY LUNCH & LEARN

Save the date: Tuesday, June 27. 12:00-2:00. Details soon to follow.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNUAL HATZOLAH FUNDRAISER

the community 24/7. Please visit the link below We are having our annual fundraiser for Hatzolah of Middlesex County. All funds raised go to support operations locally. This is our major source of funding to ensure we can support:

<https://hatzalahthon.com/hatzolahmc/mc-11>

CHAVERIM

Chaverim of Middlesex County is a volunteer non-profit organization committed to helping community members in their time of need. Members respond to all non-medical emergencies including automotive help (e.g., flat tire, dead battery, locked car) and house emergencies. Their phone number appears on the bottom of this newsletter.

RPRY NAMES NOT NUMBERS SCREENING

Dear RPRY Community and Friends, Names, Not Numbers© is an incredible program, created and produced by Tova Fish-Rosenberg, in which RPRY eighth graders interview Holocaust survivors and create a documentary of their stories. The culminating event, in which the community has the opportunity to view a film of the eighth graders' experience, is truly a highlight of the year. This year, we are happy to be able to hold an in-person culminating event. On May 31 at 7:30 PM we will welcome the community into the RPRY gym to view a screening of the film and pay tribute to the survivors who were interviewed. Please join us for this meaningful program.

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, CHAVERIM: 732-844-3577

Your support will allow us to continue this vital program into the future. To sponsor Names, Not Numbers®, please visit:

<https://www.rpry.org/support-rpry/names-not-numbers>

Another way to support Names, Not Numbers® is by dedicating a plaque surrounding the RPRY Tree of Life by visiting:

<https://www.rpry.org/support-rpry/tree-of-life>

This is a beautiful, vibrant canvas painting by Yael Harris Resnick, an award-winning American-Israeli artist, that is mounted in the front of the RPRY Beit Midrash and serves as a standing tribute to our community's Holocaust survivors.

The Names, Not Numbers® program is generously supported by a prominent national foundation

RPRY ANNUAL DINNER

Celebrating Israel's 75th Birthday
Tova & Jeremy Renna - Guests of Honor
Sara & Ari Welner - Parents of the Year
Josh Caplan - Distinguished Services
Rabbi Yehoshua Fass – Special message from RPRY Alumnu and co-founder of Nefesh B'Nefesh Rutgers Hillel Tuesday June 20th 6PM
RSVP RPRYDinner.org

YST DINNER

Join YST on June 11 at Bell Works in Holmdel to honor Rabbi and Mrs Brudny for their selfless devotion to the community and school. Show your appreciation by dedicating a portion of the Sefer Torah that will be gifted to them at the event. visit: www.ystdinner.org to dedicate a portion of the Sefer Torah, place an ad, and make a reservation.

RBY COOKBOOK

Introducing... the RBY Cookbook! A compilation of 100 recipes created by the students and staff of Reenas Bais Yaakov! Support this wonderful institution in our community and buy a beautiful cookbook! Books are available now to order. Go to rbycookbook.com to purchase yours.

RPRY'S 2023 CELEBRATE ISRAEL PARADE IN MEMORY OF ELANA SASTO A"H

We are excited that the Celebrate Israel Parade will take place in NYC on Sun, June 4. The students are so excited to be marching on behalf of RPRY to show our support for Israel. For many years, Elana Sasto A"H was extremely involved in planning RPRY's production in the Parade. Elana was a PTA President and an extremely involved parent at RPRY. We are honored to dedicate this year's Parade production in Elana's memory. We would like to give you the opportunity to help sponsor this year's parade in Elana's memory. Sponsorship opportunities are available by visiting the RPRY website. After the Parade is over, all sponsors will be noted and published in the RPRY newsletter. We thank you in advance for your generosity and look forward to a wonderful outcome by RPRY in Elana's A"H memory. Nitza Adler & Emily Menasha
RPRY Parade Committee

EDISON & HP SINGLES EVENT

SUNDAY JUNE 25TH 5PM-8PM
For Orthodox Jewish Singles 27 plus
Sponsored by AA Sisterhood and other donors
Dinner, Dessert and Entertainment by Eli Lebowicz Space Limited. Location provided prior to event
Price \$36 payable after registration
For more info HPSINGLESEVENT@gmail.com

TORAHKID LEAGUES IS BACK AGAIN FOR ITS 12TH EXCITING SEASON!

Sunday morning sports fun for boys (ages 5-13) this summer, at the Highland Park High School baseball field! Games run from 10am to 11:30am

Competitive play in baseball and soccer, with supervised instruction. To be placed on a team, please contact Rabbi Lasar at TKLsports@aol.com or at (732) 985-1050. *Caps and jerseys are free while supplies last!*

RABBI ELI REISMAN AT KC

Yissachar and Zevulun Agreements. Rabbi Horowitz's Shteible / Khal Chassidim, 46 N. 8th Avenue on Shabbos, May 20, Parshas Bamidbar, at 6:45 PM for men and women. 1) How much is "Yissachar" supposed to pay? 2) The Rambam's Kollel 3) Can someone sell their Torah or their Olam Haba? For more info, please contact Marsha Eiserman at 347-203-7906.

DR. PRESBY SHIURIM

-Woman: Pele Yoetz (a combination of halacha and mussar shiur) on Tuesdays at 8 pm at the Presby home, 467 Lincoln Ave, HP
-Men / Women: Eicha on Wednesdays at noon via conference call, Dial in #605-475-6333 code 9017189
- Men: Megillah Thursdays at 8pm (*temporarily at 7:00PM due to current Mincha / Maariv time*) via conference call, Dial in #605-475-6333 code 9017189
- Men / Women: Nach shiur on Shabbos at 4 pm at the Presby home, 467 Lincoln Ave, HP
For more info, please contact Dr. Presby at 732-925-4828

FOR WOMEN

Women's Learning Initiative:
-Offers customized Torah learning partners / chavrusas. For a personalized study program of your choice, email your contact information to womenslearninginitiative@gmail.com
- Weekly Parsha shiur with Mrs. Miri Cohen on Tuesday mornings at 9:15 AM. For location/zoom link, please contact Leah at 917-763-1848.
-Rebbetzin Eichenstein Classes: contact Aviva Siegel siegelmom@gmail.com for status of Sun and Mon classes.

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

BIKUR CHOLIM

Bikur Cholim of Raritan Valley has services in the community for over Shabbos and Yom Tov:
* Account with AA Checker cab 732-545-2300 (reimburse Bikur Cholim at a later time)
* account with Rite Aid in HP to get prescriptions filled (reimburse with a Rite Aid gift card at a later time) Questions 732 572 7181
- Bikur Cholim is looking for volunteers to do a major Chessed. There is a family who has a child in Children's Specialized Hospital that is looking for volunteers to sit with the child for 1-2 hour sessions when the parents just can't be there. The child is 8 years old and fun to be with. Please contact Mrs. Blanc at 718-744-7127.

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 Yitzchak Ben binyamin.
-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.

-DIABETIC SUPPLIES GEMACH: Diabetic Supplies-Insulin, test strips, meters etc. for those who ran out/waiting for insurance approval or guests w/o supplies 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-need 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.

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to mailmaster@ohrtorah.net
KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP: To sponsor Kiddush or reserve Kiddush room contact Reuben Atlas or Elie Wiesel at reservations@ohrtorah.net
Shalosh Seudos, contact Elie 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_erv to get the eruv status as soon as it has been determined.

Facebook: Join Facebook Group 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

Shavuot 2nd day

Sof Davar
by Dr. Moshe Sherman

Rabbi Yehuda Leib Levin (1862-1926)

Born in 1862, in a small town in Belarus, Yehuda Leib Levin's father, a wealthy landowner, died when he was eight years old, whereupon his uncle, Rabbi Abraham Abramowitz, assumed responsibility for raising him. At the age of 19, he went to study at the famed Volozhin Yeshiva, and later received semicha from its rosh yeshiva, R. Naphtali Tzvi Yehudah Berlin, the communal Rov of Kovno, R. Yitzchok Elchanan Spector, and several other distinguished rabbonim. Shortly after marriage, at age 24, he became rabbi at Liškiava, a small town in Lithuania.

R. Yehuda Levin was 30 years old, when in 1892, he immigrated to America, accepting a rabbinic position in Rochester, New York. In 1897, Rabbi Levin was invited, by a consortium of three Orthodox synagogues in Detroit, to serve as their rabbi. He remained in Detroit for the rest of his life, where he would leave an enduring legacy. Particularly noteworthy was Rabbi Levin's role in establishing an afternoon Talmud Torah in 1914, which by 1923 was sufficiently large to become a full day elementary school. Following his death, a few years later, the school was renamed Yeshiva Beth Yehudah, in his memory. To this day, more than 1000 students from pre-school through high school, attend Yeshiva Beth Yehudah, in suburban Southfield, Michigan.

In 1902, when America's first rabbinic association, the Agudath ha-Rabbonim was established, R. Yehuda Levin was among the founding members. And when the Mizrahi Religious Zionists of America was formed, R. Levin became a lifelong supporting member. In addition to his leadership as rabbi, Rabbi Levin was a skilled mathematician, responsible for an historic innovation. During the first decade of the 20th century, he invented an "adding machine," a precursor of our modern calculator. He patented the invention in 1902, and went on to receive two additional patents in 1903 and 1906. If you visit the mathematics collection of the Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C. you will see displayed the "J.L. Levin Adding Machine."

Rabbi Yehuda Levin died in Detroit in 1926, at the age of 63. Though not a prolific writer, he published two volumes of sermons and commentary titled *Sefer Ha-Aderet ve-ha-Emunah*. He also left unpublished manuscripts including 22 notebooks in Yiddish, Hebrew, and English, mostly drafts of sermons and lectures he gave at various synagogues. His unpublished writings and assorted material are housed at the University of Michigan Library.