



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

Rabbi Sarel Malitzky - Rabbi

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Parshat Vaetchanan / Shabbat Nachamu

13 Av 5784

August 17, 2024

<http://www.ohrtorah.net>

Candlelighting:	7:34 PM
Pre-Plag Mincha	5:45 PM
Mincha/Kabolas Shabbos: 7:00 (Social Hall), & 7:40 PM (Main Shul)	
Shacharis:	
7:45 (SH) 9:00 (Main Shul) & 9:15 AM (YFM)	
<i>Hashkama Speaker: Harry Chefetz</i>	
Sof Zman Krias Shma	9:35 AM
<i>Rabbi Malitzky's Gemara Avodah Zarah Shiur cancelled this week</i>	
Mincha (Main Shul):	1:45, 6:00 & 7:25 PM
<i>Shalosh Seudos Speaker: R. Josh Rapps</i>	
Maariv	8:37 PM
Shabbos Ends:	8:42 PM
Shacharis:	
Sun.	7:15, 8 & 9 AM
Mon & Thu	6:15, 7:05, 8 & 9 AM
Tue, Wed. Fri.	6:30, 7:10, 8:00 & 9 AM
<i>All Minyanim will meet in the Main Sanctuary.</i>	
Weekday Mincha/Maariv	7:35 PM
Early Mincha (Sunday)	1:45 PM
Late Maariv: (Sun.-Thurs.)	10:10 PM
Daf Yomi:	
Mon.-Thurs. 7:30 & continuing after Zman Maariv	
Fri.-after first Kabolas Shabbos, Shabbos-45 min before Zman Mincha, Sun. -after 8 am Shacharis	

HASHKAMA KIDDUSH

This weeks' Hashkama kiddush is sponsored by the Granek & Stern families in honor of the new baby daughter/granddaughter.

KIDDUSH/ SHALOSH SEUDOS

Kiddush and Shalosh Seudos this week is sponsored by the Wiesel family in honor of their special guests, Tzofia Dickshtein-Felsen, her husband, Chaggay and their four children, and to commemorate the upcoming Yartzheits of Rav Yosef, Chana and Shuvael Dickshtein HY"D, who died Al Kiddush Hashem, as well as in memory of the Yartzheit of Moshe's mother- Rifca Bas Zaide Dov A"H.

SEMICHAS CHAVER SHIUR

The Semichas Chaver Shiur will be Monday nights at 9pm. Please reach out to R' Yoni Goldberg, 516-491-4982, if you have any questions or if you would like to be added to the WhatsApp group.

FATHER AND SON DAVENING AND LEARNING

Summer Time Sunday Mornings. Father and son Davening and Learning. 8:00 AM Shacharis at OT followed by breakfast (Social Hall) and learning (OT Beis Medrash) until 9:45 AM.

YOUTH COMMITTEE

Please join the Youth Committee for a special Shalosh Seudot and Kumzitz honoring Mayer Berg and his tireless work for our kids and community. Next Shabbat August 24th after 6:55 Mincha. Sponsorship

is available for \$36. Please contact Shira Goldberg - doctorshira@gmail.com

MAZEL TOV

...to Mimi & Hesh Granek on the birth of a daughter, Suri, to their children Batsheva & Moshe Stern. Mazel Tov to the grandparents Rena & Sussie Stern and all the aunts, uncles and cousins.

...to Ricki and Moish Nat upon the birth of a daughter to their children Eitan and Rachellie. Mazel Tov to sister Emanuelle and brother Shai, to Rachellie's parents Chula and Mark Friedman and to all the uncles, aunts, cousins and extended family.

...to Gila and Ephraim Gerszberg on the engagement of their son Gabriel to Charlotte Turner of Englewood, NJ. Mazel Tov to Shelly Zinkin and Rose Gerszberg and to all the siblings, aunts, uncles and cousins.

ATTENTION

SHUL MAINTENANCE SCHEDULE

In our continuing efforts to beautify the Shul, please take note of the following scheduled maintenance improvements.

- Carpet repair and cleaning for Main Shul, Beis Medrash, Rabbi's office & Study room next to Rabbi's office on Monday 8/19 & Tuesday 8/20
- Starting Monday August 19th at 10:00 am through Tuesday night August 20th the Main Shul and Beis Medrash cannot be used.
- All Shacharit Minyanim on Monday August 19th can still use the main Shul and Beis Medrash as scheduled.
- All Mincha and Maariv Minyanim on Monday August 19th will need to be moved to the Social Hall or YFM Room. (Main Shul & Beis Medrash cannot be used.)
- All Shacharit, Mincha and Maariv Minyanim on Tuesday August 20th will need to be moved to the Social Hall or YFM Room, (Main Shul & Beis Medrash cannot be used.)
- Wednesday morning August 21st all Minyanim to resume as normally scheduled.

SPECIAL SHABBOS VISITORS

Dear friends,

On July 26, 2002, during the Second Intifada, nine Dickshtein children (ages 2 to 20) were orphaned- as they witnessed the murder of their parents and nine year-old brother during a terrorist attack. Susan and Moshe Wiesel and their family have unofficially adopted the Dickshtein family-

48 Edgemount Road Edison, NJ 08817

since the attack almost 23 years ago.

Together with the assistance of many members of the OT family- they have made a difference in the lives of the 9 remaining orphans. Our Shul is privileged to have the eldest daughter, Tzofia Dickshtein-Felsen, her husband, Chaggay and their four children as our guests this Shabbos.

The Wiesel family is sponsoring Kiddush this Shabbos in honor of their special guests, and in memory of the upcoming Yartzheits of Rav Yosef, Chana and Shuvael Dickshtein HY"D, who died Al Kiddush Hashem, as well as in memory of the Yartzheit of Moshe's mother-Rifca Bas Zaide Dov A"H.

Additionally, Tzofia and Chaggai will speak about "from tragedy to triumph" at 6:15pm in the social hall on Shabbos afternoon Please join them for Kiddush and take the opportunity to warmly welcome our special guests, as we continue to demonstrate

אחינו כל בית ישראל.
To make a donation to help other families who suffered from terror please visit: <https://onefamilyfundus.org/donate/>

Rabbi Malitzsky

OHR TORAH SECURITY ANNOUNCEMENT

Our commitment to ensuring the safety and well-being of our families and congregation is paramount. Our synagogue relies heavily on the support and vigilance of dedicated volunteers like yourself to maintain a secure environment for worship. As we continue to prioritize safety, we are extending an invitation to you to join our synagogue security volunteer team. The role of a synagogue security volunteer is both vital and rewarding!

What does it mean to be a synagogue security volunteer?

- ****Vigilance****: Remain alert and observant during synagogue activities.

- ****Presence****: Serve as a reassuring presence during a few scheduled shifts.

- ****Training****: Receive thorough training and guidance to effectively fulfill your role.

Your commitment to this important endeavor will not only enhance our security measures but also strengthen the bonds of fellowship and support within our community.

If you are interested in becoming a synagogue security volunteer or would like more info about this opportunity, please contact me (docdad@aol.com) Marc Hanfling (docdad@aol.com), Keith Peckman (keithpeckman@gmail.com) or Russel

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

Brandwein (russellbrandwein@gmail.com) at your earliest convenience.

SEATS FOR YOMIM NORAIM 5785 (2024)

Seat Reservation Form is now available on the Ohr Torah website. Go to <https://www.ohrtorah.net/seats> (or use 2 steps by going to Shul website at <https://www.ohrtorah.net> and select "Members" and scroll down to "Seat Reservations" in the right panel). Completed paper forms can be mailed to the shul or left in the shul mailbox. Applications must be received by Sept 2 for both the Main and the Hashkama Minyan to qualify for discounted pricing. After that date the rates will increase and seats will be offered as available. Full payment for the 2024 seats must accompany the reservation to be processed. The Shul Board also requires that personal balances be paid up through 2023. If you have a question regarding your Shul balances, contact Brian Allen at (kiddydent1@gmail.com) or Yoel Schwartz at (jkschwartz613@gmail.com).

SPECIAL SIMCHAS TORAH PROJECT

Congregation Ohr Torah will join hundreds of communities worldwide in remembering and honoring over 1,600 souls we have lost, including many soldiers and hostages who have died at Kiddush Hashem.

On Simchat Torah night, when we take out the Torah, one of our Sifrei Torah will be adorned with a new me'il (Torah cover), designed to mark the first yearzeit of Oct 7th. These me'ilim will be identical to those in hundreds of synagogues worldwide and will be embroidered with the flag of Israel along with the verse from Kohelet, "There is a time to mourn, and a time to dance."

Communities from Argentina to Australia will dance with these Torah scrolls, connecting tens of thousands through this project. Each unique me'il will be dedicated to a community, bearing the name of one of the kedoshim who were murdered on Oct 7th. We will receive materials about the person we are remembering for display on Simchat Torah.

To allow each member to participate, we are offering three sponsorship levels: \$18, \$54, and \$100. Any additional funds raised will support the Peace of Mind program.

Please join our growing list of sponsors and participate in this meaningful program by clicking by going to

www.ohrtorah.net/ot_sim_project.html

With much appreciation,

Rabbi Sarel Malitzky

Dr. Arkady Broder

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

-Ohav Emeth invites all members of the community to hear Dr. Rebecca Cypess speak about antisemitism in the secular world and strategies for high school and college aged students dealing with antisemitism on campus. Dr. Rebecca Cypess is the Mordechai D. Katz and Dr. Monique C. Katz Dean of the Undergraduate Faculty of Arts and Sciences at YU. The event will take place Sun Aug 18th at 6:30PM at Ohav

Emeth. In lieu of an admission charge, please contribute to the Rabbi's Tzedakah Fund.

JFS OF MIDDLESEX JFS HOLOCAUST SURVIVOR SERVICES & BRIDGE GRILL PROUDLY PRESENT

An evening of casual conversation with Holocaust Survivors Tues Sept 17th 6PM Bridge: 315 Raritan Ave HP. RSVP by Sept 6th seating is limited 732-777-1940 or email office@jfsmiddlesex

RPRY PLUS

RPRY PLUS is excited to partner with our friends at Von Thun Farms (505 Ridge Rd, Monmouth Junction NJ 08852). We invite you to join the fun at Von Thun's fall festival on one of three Sundays in Sept, 9/15, 9/22 or 9/29! This exciting annual festival includes fun fall activities such as corn maze, hayrides and 20+ activities and attractions. Tickets cost \$18 per person (that's less than retail!!! And children under 3 do not need a ticket) You don't need to decide a date at time of purchase. The tickets will be accepted 9/15, 9/22 or 9/29! Deadline to order is 8/11.

PRESBY SHIURIM

Dr. Presby Shiurim:

- Woman: Pele Yoetz (a combination of Halacha and mussar shiur) Tuesdays 8pm at the Presby home, 467 Lincoln Ave, HP

- Men / Women: Eicha Wed at noon via conference call, Dial in #605-475-6333 code 9017189

Dr. Presby's Thursday night Megilla shiur is at 8:30 pm for the summer

- Men: Megillah Thursdays 8:30pm at the Presby home, 467 Lincoln Ave, HP or via conference call, Dial in #605-475-6333 code 9017189

- Men / Women: Nach Shiur on Shabbos 4pm at the Presby home, 467 Lincoln Ave, HP
Info Bcontact 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 info to womenslearninginitiative@gmail.com

- Weekly Parsha shiur with Mrs. Miri Cohen Tuesday mornings 9:15AM. For location/zoom link, Leah at 917-763-1848.

- Rebbitzin Eichenstein's classes for women:

-Tefilla class Sundays 10AM at Aguda Shul

-Parsha class Mondays 8PM at Ohr Torah.

Text Nechama at 347-909-2755 to confirm.

--Emanah Chaburah - monthly Shiur by Rabbi Gedaliah Jaffe on the 1st Tuesday of each month, 7PM-7:45PM at AY, 1587 Rte. 27, Edison.

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

BREAST CANCER SUPPORT AND RESOURCES COMING SOON!!!

Bikur Cholim of Raritan Valley and Sharsheret seek volunteers for local peer support, surgical gemach, meal delivery, financial support, and much more!!!
rteicher@sharsheret.org.

BIKUR CHOLIM

-Bikur Cholim seeks volunteer drivers to help people to and from their medical appts and to stock St. Peter's locker Thursday nights If you can help call Cindy Baruch @ 908-309-8818
-BREAST CANCER SUPPORT & RESOURCES
BCRV is partnering with Sharsheret to provide local support and resources including peer support, a gemach for surgical needs, kosher meal delivery and more. We are looking for volunteers!

- Bikur Cholim Senior Homebound Visitation Program is growing!!! We seek more volunteers and seniors to visit. Call Cindy Baruch 908-309-8818 to become a part of this wonderful mitzvah and to volunteer.

-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

TO SUBSCRIBE TO OT E-mails -

--OHR TORAH NEWSLETTER ONLY: Subscribe to Announcements at <https://www.ohrtorah.net>
--TO RECEIVE ALL OT EMAILS: Send your full name and email address

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 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

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 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 <http://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

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