



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Rosh Hashanah 5785

Parshat Ha'azinu /Shabbos Shuva

3 Tishrei 5785

October 5, 2024

<http://www.ohrtorah.net>

Erev Rosh Hashanah (Wed Oct 2)

Slichos: 1:00, 5:00, 5:40, 6:30 & 7:30 AM

followed by Hataras Nedarim

Eruv Tavshilin before Candle Lighting.

Candlelighting: 6:19 PM

Mincha (two minyanim): 6:25 PM

First Day Rosh Hashanah (Thurs, Oct 3)

Shacharis: 6:45, 8:15 AM

Mincha: 5:45PM (two minyanim) *followed by Tashlich*

Shiur from R. Malitzky: 6:50 PM

"Do we eat Simanim on the second night of Rosh Hashana?"

Candlelighting and all other Melacha not before 7:25 PM

Maariv (two minyanim): 7:05 PM

Second Day Rosh Hashanah (Fri. Oct 4)

Shacharis: 6:45, 8:15 AM

Shofar: Not before 9, 10:30 AM

Shabbos Shuva (Friday-Shabbos, Oct. 4-5)

Candlelighting: 6:15 PM

Mincha/Maariv (two minyanim): 6:20 PM

Shacharis: 7:45, 9:00 & 9:15 (YFM & Teen) AM

Women's Shabbos Shuva Drasha: 5:00 – 5:45 PM

Rabbi Malitzky's Gemara Avoda Zara shiur – cancelled this week.

Mincha: 1:45 & 5:50 PM

Followed by Shabbos Shuva Drasha

SHABBOS SHUVA DRASHA

Rabbi Malitzky Drasha for women 5pm – 5:45PM and a Drasha at 6:15PM open to all after Mincha on Shabbos. This year's topic is "The Teshuva That Does not Last".

Maariv: 7:17 PM

Shabbos ends: 7:22 PM

Tzom Gedalia (Sunday, October 6)

Fast begins: 5:48 AM

Slichos: 6:20, 7:15 & 8:15AM

Early Mincha: 1:45 PM

Mincha-Maariv: 6:00 PM

Fast ends: 7:21 PM

Late Maariv: 10:10 PM

Monday October 7

Slichos: 5:35, 6:20 & 7:25 AM

Mincha-Maariv: 6:10 PM; Late Maariv 10:10

Tuesday - Wednesday Oct 8-9:

Slichos: 5:50, 6:25 & 7:25 AM

Mincha-Maariv: 6:10 PM; Late Maariv 10:10

Thursday September 10

Slichos: 5:35, 6:20 & 7:25 AM

Mincha-Maariv: 6:10 PM; Late Maariv 10:10

Erev Yom Kippur (Friday October 11):

Slichos: 6:15(MS), 6:55(BM), 7:45(MS) & 8:45(SH) AM

Earliest Talis & Tefillin: 6:12 AM.

Mincha: 2:15, 4:00 PM

Candlelighting: 6:04 PM

Kol Nidrei: 6:15 PM

Fast Starts: 6:23 PM

DAF YOMI

Daf Yomi schedule for Rosh Hashana:

Thurs: 45 minutes before Maariv (after Tashlich)

Friday, Shabbos: 45 minutes before Mincha

MAZEL TOV

... to Cheryl & Yussi Strauch on the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter Aviyah Schick in Yerushalayim. Mazel Tov to Aviyah's parent Shana & Ari Schick & to the entire Strauch, Schick & Maza families, also to cousins Rabbi Sarel & Dr. Shoshi Malitzky.

...to Bracha and Mayer Berg on the engagement of their daughter Shani to Morris Nawlo. Mazel Tov to Shani's siblings Eli, Yoni and Eytan, as well to Morris's parents Stella and Mayer Nawlo and grandparents Evelyn and Jeffrey Berg and Anna and Charles Plittman.

EXTRA SHOFAR BLOWING

Additional Shofar Blowing Times

First and Second day of Rosh Hashana

OHK TOKAH

- o 11:15 AM- After Hoshkama in the Social Hall
- o 1:10 PM- After Mussaf in the Main Sanctuary
- o 2:10 PM- Outside of 7 Marshall Drive
- o 5:30 PM- Before Mincha (Thursday)
- o 6:05 PM- Before Mincha (Friday)

Please contact Rabbi Malitzky if you need Shofar blown in your home.

A man who already fulfilled his Mitzvah of Shofar and is blowing shofar for women should not say the berachos for them. Rather, one woman should say the beracha for all of the women gathered (or each woman should recite it on her own). However, if there is one man who has yet to fulfill his obligation present, the one blowing the shofar can say the beracha for him and have in mind all of the women who are present (Shulchan Aruch 589:6 and Mishna Berura 11).

Special thanks to Andrew Freedman and Judah Elbaum, our amazing Baaley Tekiah, for being so gracious with their time to make sure everyone can fulfill this Mitzvah.

HASHKAMA MINYAN SHIUR

Rabbi Josh Rapps will give a brief Shiur after the Hashkama Minyan L'Iylui Neshamot Harav Yisrael Ben Refael Zev, Eliezer Chanina Ben Zev Yitzchak, Tzirel Tila Bas HaRav Moshe.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week is sponsored by Faigie and Yehuda Hecht in memory of Yehuda's father Moshe Yaakov ben Chaim, Z"L.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

No Shalosh Seudos in Shul this week.

48 Edgemount Road Edison, NJ 08817

TUESDAY NIGHT HALACHA SHIUR

WITH RABBI MALITZKY

There is a major debate whether we should be taking Besamim for Havdalla on Motzai Shabbos which is also Moltzai Yom Kippur. Should we? Shouldn't we? What does this say about Besamim in general and Yom Kippur in particular? Join us at 8pm in the YFM room for an interesting Shiur

SHIUR FOR WOMEN WITH

MRS. LAEYA GROSSMAN

All women are encouraged to join Mrs. Laeya Grossman for a Shiur at 10am on Wed. The Shiur "From Overwhelmed To Awakened" will take place in the Beis Medrash and include Machzor Companion Cards.

OHR TORAH

CHESED SHIVA COMMITTEE

The OT Chesed Shiva Committee needs your help! An amazing number of women volunteered their valuable time to prepare Shiva homes for the newly bereaved in our Kehila. Now we need donations to provide a Seudat Havra'ah for the mourners when they return from the cemetery.

It is traditional for a community to provide this meal of consolation for a mourner. With your help we will be able to provide this meal to our Aveilim in their time of need. You can send a check to the Shul earmarked Chesed Shiva Committee or you can donate on the Shul website under the drop-down line "Chesed Shiva Committee"

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Please join us in warmly welcoming Yisroel Dov (YD) and Shaindee Goldstein to our shul community! YD recently completed his PhD in Clinical Psychology from Hofstra Univ and is currently doing a post-doctoral fellowship at Stress and Anxiety Services of NJ. Shaindee works as a software engineer. They have two children: Blimi (2) attends RPRY, and Aryeh (8 months) is at Netivot. YD, originally from Boro Park, enjoys biking, playing tennis, and makes an exceptional Chulent. Shaindee, from Passaic, enjoys ballet dancing, reading, and teaching technology to people of all ages. They are excited to settle into their new home and meet more people in the community. We're thrilled to have them as part of our shul family!

FEEL FREE TO REACH OUT:

YD: 917-968-0152

SHAINDEE: 973-931-9995

LARGE PRINT MACHZORIM

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

Ohr Torah has a limited number of Artscroll Large Print Hebrew/English Rosh Hashanah & Yom Kippur Machzorim available for members (limit 1 per family). If you would like to reserve one, Contact David Dessau @ rddessau613@hotmail.com to reserve. Extras will be in the back of the shul.

ROSH HASHANA & YOM KIPPUR BABYSITTING

For children older than 2 AND toilet trained
Times: Oct 3 and 4 8am - 1:30pm

Oct 11 6pm - 8pm

Oct 12 8:30am - 2pm & 6pm - 8pm

Free with seat purchase Snacks provided, but please send any food needed

COMMUNAL LEARNING INITIATIVE

Dear Friends,

This past year has been one of the most difficult periods in recent Jewish history. The ferocious attack on Israel on Simchas Torah 5784 and the war in its aftermath have turned our world upside-down, and galvanized us as a broader Jewish family. In light of the threat being faced both in Israel and abroad, it is more important than ever for us to find opportunities to grow together, in solidarity.

In that spirit, we'd like to encourage you to participate in a communal learning initiative that will begin on Rosh Hashanah and conclude on Shmini Atzeres. The goal is to complete Shas Mishnayos as well as Chamisha Chumshei Torah and Sefer Yehoshua in memory of all those tragically murdered on that fateful day.

The learning has been divided up between Ahavas Achim, Ahavas Yisrael, Etz Ahaim, Ohav Emeth, Ohr Torah, and Young Israel of East Brunswick. Each Shul will complete one Seder of Mishnayos, one book from Tanach, and will make their own siyum on Shemini Atzeres. Sign up at the link below:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1qHm3P6uA1P6PctTIOSXkiS0Fx-VOCEUOXChfz0T-WrQ/edit?usp=sharing>

We hope that our communal learning initiative will serve as an Iluy for the Neshamos of those who were tragically taken from us and a meaningful way to honor their memories. May our learning also serve as a Tefilla to Hashem to bring victory to Am Yisrael and the safe return of the hostages.

*Rabbi Yehoshua Hess Rabbi Gedaliah Jaffe
Rabbi Eliyahu Kaufman Rabbi Sarel Malitzky
Rabbi Steven Miodownik Rabbi Eliyahu Tal*

SPECIAL SIMCHAS TORAH PROJECT

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. This Me'il 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 on or by going to

www.ohrtorah.net/ot_sim_project.html

With much appreciation,

Rabbi Sarel Malitzky

Dr. Arkady Broder

RABBI'S DISCRETIONARY FUND

There are many in our community who are in need of assistance. With the Yomim Tovim the expenses are backbreaking for some.

Please donate generously and I will be your

שליח (messenger) in ensuring that all of the money goes directly to those in our community who need it most. Before

deciding how much to donate, please

consider the following: Last summer, an

event was held that raised much-needed

funds for the RDF. However, for a variety of

reasons, no event was held this year.

Therefore, I ask that you give more than you

usually do and open your hearts to those in

need. I daven and offer a Beracha that

Hashem should reciprocate your generosity

and shower you and your family with good

health and endless blessings. You can donate

by any of the following options:

A) Credit card. You can go to

<https://ohrtorah.net/services/ccpay.phtml>

choose Rabbi Malitzky's Discretionary Fund

B) Zelle: to payohrtorah@gmail.com with

memo it's for Rabbi's Discretionary Fund.

C) Check: Checks can be made out to Cong

Ohr Torah-Rabbi's Discretionary Fund and be

dropped off in the shul mailbox or handed to

me in shul.

ISRAEL BOND APPEAL

We can be proud that over the last three years, the High Holiday Israel Bond pledges by Cong Ohr Torah averaged a yearly pledge of approx \$600,000, and even prouder that the total amount of Israel Bonds purchased by Ohr Torah members last year alone exceeded 1 million dollars.

As we all know, the most recent war began

on Oct 7, 2023, and is currently being fought

on multiple fronts. The stark reality is that

Israel is under the threat of a regional war.

Recently, the United Kingdom passed an

arms embargo against Israel, and the

candidates for President of the United States

are under increased pressure to withhold

arms from Israel. Shockingly, this possibility

has not been ruled out.

It is axiomatic that Israel needs to be able to defend and support herself against its enemies. As she does, money that it spends on defense, including equipment for its soldiers and each Iron Dome engagement, continues to create huge downward pressure on the Israeli economy. Israelis are risking their lives. They are fighting not only to save Israel but to save all Jews. Their fight is the United States' fight and the fight of any nation that embraces Western values of tolerance, decency, and the rule of law.

Believing in this cause with all our hearts is not enough. We must support Israel by investing in Israel Bonds. Note: Bonds are not charity. Israel bonds are securities issued by the Israeli government to fund national projects, offering fixed returns and available to global investors. They're a financial and supportive link to Israel's development.

These bonds are generally considered safe investments because they are backed by the full faith and credit of the Israeli govt. Do your duty. Don't delay. Israel needs you now. Please visit ohrtorah.net/bonds. Please commit your pledge today.

LULAV & ESROG ORDERING

When ordering from below, please mention Ohr Torah and OT will receive a donation for each sale.

-Barry Siegel & Family siegeldad@gmail.com, 732- 572-4408

-Rabbi Shimoni, hjudaica@gmail.com 732- 846-0097 Please see the flyers for additional info. All checks for Lulavim and Esrogim must be made out to the appropriate vendor and NOT Cong. Ohr Torah.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

RJJ MIKVAH

RJJ Mikvah is open YK- but closed for cleaning between 1:30 & 2:30pm

NCSSY IS TAKING OVER SIX FLAGS.

Great Adventure resort Chol Hamoed Succos Monday, Oct 21st Special Ohr Torah Price \$48 Theme Park & \$25 Bus Transportation both ways Departs Ohr Torah Six Flags@ 11:30Am @ 8Pm

SPECIAL CANDLE VIGIL

In remembrance of the over 1,200 Kedoshim murdered and kidnapped October 7th, 2023 כ"ב מונדאית תשרי תשפ"ד Mon Oct 7th, 8pm-9pm 148 Raritan Ave, HP, NJ (Former Sunoco Station) Bring your flags, hostage lawn signs, homemade signs, hats, shirts, dog tags, pins, etc Sponsored by Central NJ Stands With Israel. Info: centralnjstandswithisrael@gmail.com

OHAV EMETH EVENTS

-Firsthand account of Oct 7th: Please join us Oct 6th at 5pm at OE for a talk in memory of those lost on Oct 7th. Hear from counter-terrorism advisor to the Israeli police and pmo Dr. Yair Ansbacher Yair who was among the first fighters to arrive at the Gaza border Oct 7th. He and his comrades were assigned the difficult task of freeing Kibbutz of Nir Yitzchak. It was the longest day of his life. Yair is a National security researcher and expert, an educator and author, and founder of the "Eitan" pre-military preparatory school in Mishor Adumim. For info and sponsorships opportunities contact Rivka Sonts at 347-598-9448 or at iana.sonts@gmail.com

OPERATION ISRAEL

Operation Israel, a volunteer-driven nonprofit providing essential, non-offensive gear to IDF

PLEASE HELP KEEP THE SHUL NEAT...PLEASE RETURN SIDDURIM & CHUMASHIM TO THE REAR OF THE SANCTUARY AFTER DAVENING.

soldiers and first responders, has informed me of a critical situation:

1. Donations have decreased significantly, almost to a halt, while demand for equipment has skyrocketed.
2. Many soldiers are being called to the northern front, facing complex terrain and longer distances compared to Gaza.
3. There's a severe shortage of vital equipment, including:

- Extender kits for operating drones over longer distances
- Night vision gear and winter equipment
- Life-saving medical gear such as video laryngoscopes
- Additional drones, cameras, and backpacks

Alarming, the IDF is reportedly giving orders that cannot be fulfilled without donated equipment. This isn't just about improving conditions for soldiers – it's about completing critical missions and saving lives.

The need for support is immediate and urgent. Operation Israel cannot meet the current scale of demands without a significant increase in funding. To learn more or donate, please visit <https://www.operationisrael.org/donate>. Let us stand with Israel in this time of great need. Our support can make the difference between life and death for those on the front lines.

AA SISTERHOOD PRESENTS HUMANS OF JUDAISM

Join us for a book launch with Nikki Schreiber. This inspirational book tells 200 Jewish stories from her Facebook and Instagram @HumansofJudaism. Tue Nov 5th 7:30PM – Cong Ahavas Achim Register at email secretary@ahavasachim.org

RPRY INFO & NEWS

-RPRY Simchas Beis Hashoeva We are excited to announce the Third Annual RPRY Simchas Beis Hashoeva, co-hosted by RPRY PLUS and RPRY! The event will take place at: RPRY's Black Top on Oct 22 at 5PM-8PM There will be pizza, treats and a photo booth. And, not to be missed, Dovid Pearlman returns to our community accompanied by the Avi Maza Orchestra! To sign up: <https://tinyurl.com/RPRY-SBH24> Suggested \$54 donation per family.

-RPRY PLUS Chol Hamoed Monster Mini Golf RPRY PLUS invites you to join us at Monster Mini Golf of Edison on 10/21, at 2PM. Each player must buy a ticket. Tickets cost \$16 for RPRY PLUS Annual and Lifetime Members and \$17 for non members. Tickets must be purchased by 10/16. No walk-ins allowed Your purchase includes one (1) round of mini golf and a five (5) dollar game card for the arcade. The card can be used on redeemable games and earn points which can be traded in for fun prizes! To order, go to: <https://tinyurl.com/MiniGolf-RPRYPLUS>

SH'AINU SHIDDUCH GROUP OF EDISON & HP

Sh'nainu Shidduch Group of Edison & HP is a volunteer shidduch group to assist Orthodox

Jewish singles, all ages and Hashkafot. Info/to submit profile: shidduchedisonhp@gmail.com

PRESBY SHIURIM

Dr. Presby's Shiurim are on a Yom Tov break, resuming on Nov 3rd. The Thursday Megillah shiur will begin at 8pm.

OR 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

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

KITTEL GEMACH

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.

BIKUR CHOLIM

-Bikur Cholim medical gemach is looking for a new home. We are looking for a place/basement to store wheelchairs, walkers etc if you can help call/text Cindy Baruch 908-309-8818.
-Bikur Cholim seeks volunteer drivers to help people to and from medical appts and to stock St. Peter's locker Thurs 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! rteicher@sharsheret.org.

- Bikur Cholim Senior Homebound Visitation Program seeks volunteers and seniors to visit. Call Cindy Baruch 908-309-8818 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

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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. Info call Moish at 732-759-8070 work days or 732-572-4132 evening.

SEFORIM DEDICATIONS: Book/Seforim Dedications are paused pending new initiatives HOUSEKEEPING: Housekeeping issues and inquiries contact Lou Smith ludeju@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 Shaina and Tzvi Berke -(516) 757-4748

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_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

Yom Kippur	
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