



# Congregation Ohr Torah

## Weekly Announcements

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Parshat Metzora / Shabbos Hagadol / Pesach

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**NOTE: THE NEXT SHUL NEWSLETTER WILL BE PRINTED AFTER PESACH  
NO KIDDUSH OR SHALOSH SEUOS IN SHUL  
FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS**

**Shabbos Hagadol (Fri-Shabbos Apr 19-20)**

- Candlelighting: 7:23 PM
- Pre-Plag Mincha Only: 6:00 PM
- Mincha/Maariv: 6:45(Social Hall) & 7:30(Main Sanctuary) PM

**Shabbos April 20**

- Shacharis: 7:45, 9:00 & 9:15 AM  
*Hashkama Speaker: R. Josh Rapps*
- Early Mincha: 1:45 PM
- *No Gemara Avoda Zara Shiur or Shalosh Seudos in Shul*
- *Shabbos Hagadol Drasha for women: 6:00 PM*

- Mincha: 6:50 PM  
*followed by Shabbos Hagadol Drasha*
- Maariv: 8:27 PM
- Shabbos Ends: 8:32 PM

**Sunday April 21**

- Shacharis: 7:15, 8:00, 9:00 AM  
*Rabbi Sauer's shiur cancelled under after Pesach*
- Early Mincha: 1:45 PM
- Mincha/Maariv: 7:35 PM
- Bedikas Chametz: Not before 8:34 PM
- Late Maariv: 10:10 PM

**Erev Pesach (Monday April 22)**

- Shacharis 6:20, 7:05, 8:00, 9:00 AM  
*(followed by siyumim)*
- Last Time to eat Chametz: 10:40 AM
- Burn Chametz before: 11:48 AM
- Candle Lighting: 7:26 PM
- Mincha: 7:35 PM

*Speaker: Rav Malitzky*

- Maariv: 8:00 PM
- Begin Seder not before: 8:35 PM
- Chatzos: 12:56 AM

**First Day Pesach (Tuesday April 23)**

- Shacharis: 8:15 & **9:15** AM  
*Chabura for Bachurim: 6:45 PM by Rav Binyamin Goldberg*
- Mincha: 7:30 PM

*Speaker: Rav Hillel Zinkin*

- Maariv: 8:00 PM
- Candle Lighting & Seder not before: 8:36 PM
- Chatzos: 12:56 AM

**Second Day Pesach (Wednesday April 24)**

- Shacharis: 8:15 & **9:15** AM  
*Chabura for Bachurim: 6:45 PM by Rav Hillel Zinkin*
- Mincha: 7:30 PM

*Speaker: R. Yair Caplan*

- Maariv: 8:32 PM
- Yom Tov ends: 8:37 PM
- (Havdalah is only Borei P'ri HaGafen)

**Chol Hamoed Pesach (Thurs-Fri, Apr.25-26)**

- Shacharis: 6:10 AM & 8:00 AM (Main Shul), 6:50 AM & 9:00 AM (Social Hall)
- Slow Shacharis: (Thurs-Fri) 9:00 AM (YFM)
- **Thursday:** Mincha/Maariv: 7:35 PM, Late Maariv: 10:10 PM

**Shabbos Chol Hamoed:(Fri-Shabbos Apr. 26-27)**

- Candle Lighting: 7:30 PM
- Pre-Plag Mincha Only: 5:45 PM

- Mincha/Maariv: 6:45 & 7:40 PM
- **Shabbos April 27**
- Shacharis: 7:45 AM , 9:00 & 9:15 AM
- Early Mincha: 1:45 PM
- Shiur for women by Rav Malitzky: 6:00 PM
- Chabura for Bachurim: 6:45 PM - Avraham Landau
- Mincha: 7:25 PM

*Speaker: Rav Malitzky*

- Maariv: 8:35 PM
- Shabbos Ends: 8:40 PM
- (Regular post-shabbos Havdalah)

**Chol Hamoed Pesach (Sunday Apr. 28)**

- Shacharis: 7:00 AM (Main Shul), 8:00 AM (Social Hall) & 9:00 AM (Main Shul)
- Slow Shacharis: 9:00 AM (Beis Medrash)
- Early Sunday Mincha: 1:45 PM

**Seventh Day Pesach (Sun -Mon Apr 28-29)**

- Candlelighting: 7:32 PM
- Mincha/Maariv: 6:45 & 7:40 PM
- Shacharis: 7:45 AM, 9:00 AM & 9:15 AM  
*Chabura for Bachurim: 7 PM - R. Avi Greenman*
- Mincha: 7:40 PM

*Speaker: R. Shmuel Belsh*

- Maariv: 8:10 PM
- Candle Lighting Not Before: 8:42 PM
- **Eighth Day Pesach ( Tuesday Apr 30)**

- Shacharis: 7:45 AM, 9:00 AM & 9:15 AM
- Yizkor not before 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM
- Chabura for Bachurim: 7 PM - R. Yitzi Felman
- Mincha: 7:40 PM

*Speaker: Rav Malitzky*

- Maariv: 8:38 PM
- Yom Tov ends: 8:43 PM
- (Havdalah is only Borei P'ri HaGafen)
- Do not use sold chametz before: 10:15 PM

**DAF YOMI DURING PESACH**

Daf Yomi schedule for Pesach: all days of Yom Tov- 45 mins. before Mincha

**SHABBOS HAGADOL DRASHA**

Shabbos Hagadol Drasha- This Shabbos (April 20th): *The Taste of Matzah and the Taste of Life*

In addition to the Shabbos Hagadol Drasha which will take place after Mincha at 6:50 PM, Rabbi Malitzky will give a Shabbos Hagadol Drasha special for women from 6-6:45pm in the main Shul.

**WEDNESDAY WOMEN'S SHIUR**

The weekly Shiur for women will resume on Wednesday May 8th.

**YOUTH RAFFLE WINNERS**

Mazal Tov to our Youth raffle winners! Grand prize 50/50 raffle-Nitzah & Russel Adler, Glatt 27 gift card-Riki & Robert Kreitman

**OHR TORAH DINNER**

You're invited to join us on Sunday night, May 19th, at 6PM at the Chabad House in New Brunswick for a special occasion. We'll be celebrating the Annual Dinner and Inauguration of Rabbi Sarel and Dr. Shoshi

48 Edgemount Road Edison, NJ 08817

Malitzky, an event of great significance to our community. We're also delighted to announce that comedian Eli Lebowicz will be joining us to add some laughter to the evening.

To confirm your attendance, please RSVP via the following link:

<https://www.ohrtorah.net/dinner>. Should you have any inquiries, please don't hesitate to contact Lois Goldsmith, Penny Kaplan, Sara Scott, Erez Shimon, or Eli Wiesel.

**MAZEL TOV**

...to Sharon and Eddie Lowinger on the engagement of their son David to Nava Winton of Sharon, Massachusetts . Mazel Tov to the grandmother, Helen Cooperberg and siblings Danielle and Michael.

...Eileen Wagshul on the birth of a son to Yona (Wagshul) and Zvi Eli Scholnick in Israel. Mazel Tov to the grandparents Mark and Audrey & Russie Scholnick, and all the aunts, uncles & cousins of the Wagshul, Cohen, Scholnick & Sragow families.

...To Lois and Lyndon Goldsmith and Meier and Yehudis Wolofsky on the birth of a grandson, born to their children Sammy and Racheli. Mazel Tov to their children Tammy and Zevi, and to Aunt Shayna, Uncle Darren and family, Uncle Alex, Aunt Shani and family and Uncle Benji.

**THE FRUIT TREE BRACHA**

The Bracha recited upon first seeing a flowering fruit tree is posted at 401 North Eighth Ave.

**KEHILLA OF RARITAN VALLEY AND BIUR CHAMETZ**

*Erev Pesach 5784 For Edison Residents:*

Kehilla of Raritan Valley has B'H once again arranged for Biyur Chametz and Pesach Waste Disposal in Edison on Monday, April 22nd. Garbage, recycle trucks and chametz burning will be available at the corner of North Eighth Avenue & Edgemount Road (Tennis Courts/Earl Schenck Miers Park) from 7am-11:30am this Monday, April 22nd. Please limit Chametz burning to what is ritually necessary and note that, per the DPW, this accommodation is for Edison residents only. A Special Thank You to:  
- Edison Mayor, Sam Joshi  
-Edison Councilman, Asaf Shmuel  
- Edison Fire Chief, Andrew Toth  
- Edison Deputy Chief of Police, Robert J. Dudash Jr.  
- Raymond Poerio, Dir of Edison Dept of Public Works

**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**

*For Highland Park Residents:* From the Borough: A Chometz disposal drop-off service is offered for any resident to drop off garbage and recycling materials, the morning before Passover (Monday, April 22, 2024). Chometz disposal will be offered during the hours of 6:30 am– 11:45am at the Department of Public Works building, 444 Valentine St in Highland Park. \*Please follow H.P. regular recycling rules and separate garbage and chometz from recycling items such as glass, plastic, paper and cardboard \*\*Please note: All Chometz must be dropped off in H.P. by 11:45am. Please do not leave items after this time, as there is no garbage storage at this location. Thank you for your cooperation and a Kosherin Pesach.

### **YOM HASHOA PROGRAM**

Sunday May 5th, 2024, 8:00pm at Ohr Torah of Edison. 47 Edgemont Rd. Featured speaker : Dr. Shay Pilnik, Director Holocaust and Genocide Studies at Yeshiva University

### **THANK YOU**

Our family thanks all the Menachamei Avel and group participants reciting Tehillim for those in need of a Refuah Shlayma. A fitting tribute to our sister Tehila A'H would be the completion of Shas Mishnayos for her Shloshim which concludes on the first day Rosh Chodesh Iyar. Please sign up at <https://hadranalach.com/3137>.

Tippy and Josh Rapps

### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **HASHGACHAH PRATIS MOVEMENT**

ACTT (Achieving Change Through Torah) is initiating a "Hashgachah Pratis - Divine Providence Movement" to help everyone effectively handle and grow from the many challenges that we all face. See <https://www.actt613.org/topics-h-i> for more info and to join the movement.

#### **RPRY ANNUAL DINNER**

Please join us for the RPRY Annual Dinner 2024. Celebrating Our Jewish Heroes: Past, Present and Future Honoring, Mrs Rachel and Imre Lefkovits A"H, Moshe and Susan Wiesel, Sandy Getraer '07, Liana Maza '15 And Recognizing 10 Years of Names Not Numbers at RPRY and its Leadership Nitza Adler, Chaya Friedmann, Penny Kaplan and Rabbi Nachman Lapa A portion of this year's dinner contributions can be designated to the newly created Rachel and Imre Lefkovits A"H Fund for Names Not Numbers and Israel Programming. Sign up at [www.rpry.org/dinner](http://www.rpry.org/dinner)

#### **TOMCHEI SHABBOS**

Tomchei Shabbos Needs your Help! In recent weeks, there has been a significant increase in the number of families seeking assistance from Tomchei Shabbos. With Pesach quickly approaching, we need your help to ensure that Tomchei Shabbos can continue to provide the vital support that these families in our community depend on. You can donate at <http://www.tomcheimc.org>

#### **WEEKLY PARSHA LECTURE**

Weekly lecture on Parasha of the week with insights from Rabbi Soloveichik ZT"L available via Zoom Thursdays from 1-2 PM. Meeting ID: 937 3984 8354 Passcode: 939755

Contact Rabbi Josh Rapps, at 9086164718 or [jrapps@bloomberg.net](mailto:jrapps@bloomberg.net) for more info.

#### **IT TAKES A VILLAGE OF EDISON/HP**

Are you a single mom or dad living in Edison/HP? It Takes a Village of Edison/HP is here to help. Below is a list of services we offer. If you need something that is not listed below, you can always ask! Babysitting, Tutoring and homework, Dinners ,Transportation, Errands, Financial guidance, Handyman/Plumbing, Heavy Shlepping, Furniture Assembly, Referrals, etc. To request help or to offer services, contact: Rivka Jaffe 732 762 0490, Julia Jamen 917 847 017, Rikki Samel 732 742 4559, Rivka Teresh 347 598 9448

#### **NORPAC 2024 - MISSION-IN PERSON**

NORPAC's Mission to Washington is an annual event where we bring close to a thousand citizen activists to Washington, DC, in order to advocate for a stronger U.S.-Israel relationship with Members of Congress. Join us on Wednesday, May 15, 2024, as we travel Washington, DC. On a single-day trip you will meet with Members of Congress and their staff and share your concerns with them about foreign aid to Israel, Iran, security cooperation, and more. Help us make a difference once again! Buses will leave for Washington DC from our area at 6:30 AM and return between 9-10 PM. There will be briefings on the bus. All meals will be provided. Register at [www.norpac.net](http://www.norpac.net) or call (201) 788-5133. Adults - \$220, Full-time Students - \$135 (must be over 12). Those under 18 must be accompanied by Parent or legal guardian. For more info, contact David Moskovic, Marc Hanfling at [dccdad@aol.com](mailto:dccdad@aol.com), Barry Wolf, Mayer Berg

#### **DR. 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
  - Men: Megillah Thursdays 8:45pm 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 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 info to [womenslearninginitiative@gmail.com](mailto: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 on Sundays 0AM at Aguda Shul
    - Parsha class on Mondays 8PM at Ohr Torah.
- Please 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](http://MikvahCloud.com) or via MikvahCloud app Regular services, baths and showers, are offered. See [mikvahcloud.com](http://mikvahcloud.com) for mikvah hours. Face mask should be worn at the mikvah. All comments and questions, email [hpmikvah@gmail.com](mailto:hpmikvah@gmail.com)

#### **BIKUR CHOLIM**

-Bikur Cholim SENIOR VISITATION PROGRAM, providing weekly or bi weekly visitation to members of our community. We are looking

volunteers 18 years and older. Info Cindy Baruch at 908-309-8818 or email her at [cindy.baruch@verizon.net](mailto:cindy.baruch@verizon.net)

-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](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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](mailto:reenagreenspan@yahoo.com) or Gene Wasserman 732-397-0130 or [genew@compugene.com](mailto:genew@compugene.com)

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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](mailto:hperuv+subscribe@groups.io).

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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

Parshat Acharei Mot

Candle lighting

7:37 PM

Mincha

6:45 & 7:45 PM

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<http://www.ohrtorah.net>. Join the email list for Weekly Announcements. Announcements should be sent to [announcements@ohrtorah.net](mailto:announcements@ohrtorah.net) by 7PM Wed. Please make sure to leave a contact/callback name and phone number.