



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

<http://www.ohrtorah.net>

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Jeff Klein - President

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Parsha Nitzavim

28 Elul 5778

September 8, 2018

Candlelighting: 7:01PM
Mincha: 7:10PM
Shacharis: 7:45, 9 & 9:15 AM
Rabbi Hoffman's Halacha B'yun Shiur after Hashkama
Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A): 9:43 AM
Kollel Mincha: 6:00 PM
Rabbi Luban's Moed Katan Shiur – Cancelled this week
Mincha: 1:45 PM & 6:55 PM
Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Reuben Atlas
Maariv: 8:05 PM
Shabbos Ends: 8:08 PM

Erev Rosh Hashanah (Sun Sept 9)

- **Slichos 1:00, 5:45, 6:30, 7:30 AM**
followed by hataras nedarim
- **Candlelighting: 6:58 PM**
- **Mincha (two minyanim): 7:05 PM**
- First Day Rosh Hashanah (Mon, Sept 10):**
 - **Shacharis 6:45, 8:15 AM**
 - **Shofar: Not before 9, 10:30 AM**
 - **Mincha: 6:00 PM (two minyanim):**
followed by Tashlich
 - **Candlelighting: Not before 8:05 PM**
 - **Maariv (two minyanim): 8:05 PM**

Second Day Rosh Hashanah

(Tues. Sept 11)

- **Shacharis: 6:45, 8:15 AM**
- **Shofar: Not before 9, 10:30 AM**
- **Mincha (two minyanim): 6:40 PM**
- **Maariv (two minyanim): 8:00 PM**
- **Yom Tov ends: 8:03 PM**

Tzom Gedalia (Weds. Sept 12)

- **Fast begins: 5:23 AM**
- **Slichos: 5:40, 6:20, 7:20 AM**
- **Mincha-Maariv: 6:40 PM**
- **Fast ends: 8:01 PM**
- **Late Maariv: 10:10 PM**

Thursday September 13:

- **Slichos: 5:40, 6:25, 7:25 AM**
- **Mincha-Maariv: 7:00 PM**
- **Late Maariv: 10:10 PM**

Friday September 14:

- **Slichos: 5:50, 6:30, 7:25 AM**

Shabbos Shuva (Fri.-Shabbos, Sept. 14-15)

- * **Candlelighting: 6:50 PM**
- * **Mincha: 7:00 PM**

SHIURIM

- Rabbi Akiva Sauer's shiur – will resume after Sukkos
- Rabbi Luban's Monday night shiur will resume after Sukkos.
- Rabbi Malitzky's Chafetz Chaim Shiur – will resume after Sukkos.

Daf Yomi Schedule for Rosh Hashanah

First day [Monday] - 7:15 pm

Second day [Tuesday] – TBD

KIDDUSH

Kiddush is sponsored by Barbara & Allen Kessel and Rona & Seymour Kessel to commemorate the upcoming Yahrzeit of

their father, Morris Kessel, Moshe Aharon ben Shimon, Z"L.

Kiddush sponsorship is available for Succot.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Penny and Michael Kaplan in honor of the Yahrzeit of Michael's mother Aydl bas Akiva A"H.

YAMIM NORAIM SEATING

The assigned Seat reservations list is posted in the back of the Main Shul. Late applications are assigned on a first-come, first serve basis, as seats are available. The Committee thanks the Congregation for the timely response.

MAZEL TOV

... to Rabbi Yaakov and Faigie Luban on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson Aharon Shlomo in Lakewood this Shabbos.

..... to Miriam Ravitz on the engagement of her son, Avrumi to Tova Gerber. Mazel Tov to Tova's parents Dr. Cindy and Dr. Len Gerber of Sharon Massachusetts and to the entire Ravitz, Cohen, and Gerber families.

... to Miriam Ravitz on her son Avrumi receiving his Doctorate in Psychology from Columbia University.

...to Mina & Larry Tiefenbrunn on the birth of a son to their children Aryeh & Ayala Tiefenbrunn. Mazel Tov also to Tziona & Yehudah Shemen and to great-grandmother Devora Tiefenbrunn.

...to Rabbi and Mrs. Yechiel Posen on the birth of a son to Ahron and Chavi Posen.

HOSTING NEW FAMILIES

Many new families have recently moved into the community and more are planning to in the coming months. In order to properly welcome these new families, we are compiling a list of those willing to host new families for a Shabbos meal. If you'd would like sign up to host a new family, please contact Rena Klein at renalg@aol.com or Shana Kaplan: shoshanakaplan1@gmail.com.

ISRAEL BOND APPEAL 2018

In the firm belief that when all Jews "bond" together we will all be saved and in an effort to have members of our SHUL set a good example for ourselves, our children and our community, the Israel Bond Committee will sponsor a Kiddush if at least 100 members participate in the purchase of Israel bonds and/or more than \$600,000.00 is pledged by members of the SHUL.

YAMIM NORAIM LECTURE AT OHR TORAH

On Sunday, September 16th, at 7:30PM, The Honorable Dan Butler will present an inspiring and emotional Yomim Noraim

lecture at Cong. Ohr Torah. Judge Butler serves in the Municipal Court of Pittsburgh and lectures throughout the country on legal and Jewish topics. He is well known for inspiring audiences with his remarkable insight and gentle humor.

Admission is free but donations to Yad Eliezer are encouraged to help the organization provide food for destitute families in Israel.

This evening is dedicated to the memory of I. David and Miriam Goldstein, Z"L.

CONDOLENCES

We regret to inform you of the passing of Margot Sturm, the mother of Sharon Stern. Sharon will be sitting Shiva at her home, 403 N. 8th Avenue in Edison, NJ, on Saturday night after Shabbat, and Sunday until Yom Tov. There is no Shiva Minyan. May the family be comforted among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

KIBBUDIM AUCTION

The schedule for the Kibbudim Auction will be as follows:

-Kibbudim for both days of Rosh Hashana will be auctioned between Mincha and Maariv on the first night of Rosh Hashana (Sunday, September 9)

-Yom Kippur: Immediately following davening on Kol Nidrei night

-Shabbos Shuva: On Shabbos Shuva before Leining

SECURITY

The security team is looking for additional volunteers. Free training provided. Please contact Jonathan Teitelbaum or Keith Peckman.

BABYSITTING FOR YOMIM NORAIM

Once again, Ohr Torah is proud to offer babysitting on Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur. We are requesting a voluntary contribution of \$20 per family to help defray the cost of babysitting. Make checks to Ohr Torah and indicate HH babysitting on check. Babysitting times as follows:

-Sept 10th and 11th (Mon/Tue) Rosh Hashana 10AM until 1:30PM each day

-Sept 18th (Tue night) Yom Kippur- 6:45 until 9:15 PM

-Sept 19th (Wed) Yom Kippur from 10AM until 3PM and again from 6PM until 7:45PM This service is for all children ages 1-4. It is imperative that all children attending babysitting are able to walk (and not need to be held) and that parents please ensure that our staff is aware of your seating location should we need to find you. We will have a seating chart available. Also please provide

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

our staff with any baby wipes /diapers as needed. We will be unable to accommodate children who have not reached their first birthday.

Additionally, we will blow Shofar for women and children (30 Kolot) as soon as the Hashkama Minyan concludes (~ 11:45 AM).

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

-JudaicaGallery, judaicagallery@hotmail.com, 732-828-7722

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. No check made out to COT will be cashed.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHARITY FUND FOR THE BLIND

Once again, as the leaves start to turn amber and fall and the Yamim Nora'im descend upon us, I appeal to our community for The Charity Fund for the Blind. This organization, which was founded by Alisa Goldstein and her husband Yehuda of Jerusalem, has no paid employees and zero overhead.

My appeal takes on a more critical urgency as other sources of funding are strained and are diminished. Rest assured, every dollar of assistance you provide is used efficiently and directly with not a penny spent outside of the direct help that is dispensed to the blind and their families..

Please send your donations directly to me, Bella Lerner, 1 Celler Road, Edison. Make checks payable to Congregation Ohr Torah- Gemach and write Charity Fund for the Blind on the memo line. In the merit of your act of tzedakah, may Hashem Yitbarach bless you and your family with good health and success in the coming year. Thanking you again for your continued assistance.

RPRY SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENT

With school starting, it is important to note the following rules regarding parking near OT/RPRY:

- The carpool lane on Edgemount Road, including the front of the playground and trailer, must remain completely clear during arrival and dismissal. Please do not park there. This includes during morning and evening minyanim at OT.
- Parking is prohibited in the fire zone next to OT or anywhere there are yellow lines. Don't park there. Even if you are running late for minyan or just need to run in for 5 minutes, still don't park there.
- Parking is prohibited in front of the OT dumpsters. Do not block this area.
- Please drive slowly, do not use a cell phone while driving, and be very aware of children walking to and from their cars and the school.
- Please do not back up or make a K-Turn or U-turn during arrival or dismissal on Edgemount or Harrison.
- Please do not park in front of the Yeshiva during school hours, on either side of Harrison Street. Rather, please use a legal parking spot.

The safety of our children is of paramount importance and we must be especially vigilant about parking/traffic during morning minyan, arrival (7:30-8:15 AM) and dismissal (3:15 to 4:15 PM) times. Thank you for your help in protecting our children.

RABBI REISMAN TO SPEAK

Men and women are invited to hear Rabbi Eli Reisman speak on *Hataras Nedorim* and *Shofar: How to listen* on Shabbos, Sept 8th at 6pm at Rabbi Horowitz' Shteibel/Khal Chassidim.

NCSY HP/EDISON CHAPTER OPENING ONEG

NCSY HP/Edison start of year Oneg! Shabbat day Parashat Nitzavim, Elul 28, Sept 8, 4-6PM, at the Schanzer's residence, 25 Perry Rd. Snacks, Fun and Friends! Contact Rabbi Greene for info: greenes@ncsy.org or 973-214-8577

MA'AYANOT'S COMMUNITY YOM IYUN

Please join us for Ma'ayanot's Annual Community Yom Iyun Sun, Sept 16, 9:30AM-12:30PM Ma'ayanot Yeshiva High School for Girls 1650 Palisade Ave, Teaneck, NJ 07666 Keynote address by our principal, Mrs. Rivka Kahan: "Sin and Redemption in Gan Eden" With additional shiurim by our distinguished faculty. Open to men and women in the community. Info-Rabbi Zev Prince at princez@maayanot.org. www.maayanot.org

TOMCHEI SHABBOS YOM TOV CAMPAIGN

As we begin to prepare for the Yomim Noraim, there are families in our community who cannot afford even basic necessities for Yom Tov. Tomchei Shabbos of Middlesex County is appealing to the entire community to help us provide food for the families who rely on us during this important time of the year. To donate please go to <http://www.tomcheimc.org/> or make checks out to Tomchei Shabbos of Middlesex County and drop off at Cong Ohr Torah, 48 Edgemount Rd Edison. Questions/info contact tomcheimc@gmail.com. All donations are tax deductible.

EDISON/HP/E. BRUNSWICK COMMUNITY DIRECTORY

The Edison/HP/East Brunswick Community Directory is now preparing its Fourth Edition. If you have a correction or addition to your current listing, email info@ehpdirectory.com with details Please also forward info on new Gemachs and local organizations, as well as your favorite family activities, so they can be included.

TIFERES

Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting avai to Tiferes members Current teleconference: "New Year, Old Issues" by Mrs. Simi Yellen. Info/membership Aviva sieglmom@gmail.com. The HP/Edison group of Tiferes is zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.

FOR WOMEN

-The Ahavas Yisroel Women's Learning Program is pleased to announce this month's shiur: Claire Snow will speak on the topic: "Akeidah Yitzchak and Rosh Hashonah" Shabbat afternoon, Sept 8th at 5:30PM at home of Sharon and Leon Glaser 15 Barlow Rd Edison. Info: sharonnglaser@gmail.com
-Women's AMEN Group meets monthly on Sundays following the Shabbos in which one benches Rosh Chodesh, at 9:30AM in a downstairs classroom at Ohr Torah. Group meets in the zechus of a refuah shelaimah for Menachem Mordechai ben Ophira and the other Cholim in the community.
-Collecting Sheitels: Keren Kol Kallah-established to provide orphan and destitute kallahs in Israel with essential needs. Donated custom sheitels, some new, some gently worn, are sold to women in Israel who would not otherwise have the funds to buy a quality wig. All money raised goes towards a hachnasas kallah fund which helps needy brides in Eretz Yisrael. Sheitels can be dropped off to Aviva, 16 Edgemount Rd, Edison Info Aviva Siegel (732) 572-4408 sieglmom@gmail.com

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 e-mail the info to ENRVInfo@gmail.com.

GENEALOGY CLUB OF CENTRAL JERSEY

Meets Thur 9/13 at 7pm at AA. Meeting is on 2nd fl rear of building (by elevators) Topic: How to Build a Family Tree of the Web Lew Meixler speaker.

GEMACHS

-Sheitl Gemach: Brayla Custom Wigs is happy to announce they are also a sheitl gemach. Wigs of all conditions accepted. All welcome-any location for drop off/pick up. Renee@braylawigs.com 908-208-5738. Located in Edison, NJ

-Diaper Gemach HP/Edison: Diapers, pullups, wipes needed Email diapergemach@gmail.com.

-The Edison/HP Gown Gemach, L'iluy Nishmas R' Yitzchok Ben Binyomin Gemach Gowns for children thru adult. Donations of good condition gowns sought. Tax deduct given/pick up of gowns arranged. Info/appt Sara Scott 516-526-0941.

- New 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 avail. Kittel gemach in memory of Lazar Lipman ben Chaim Yitzhak.

-Head Covering Gemach: Snoods, hats, tichels scarves, sheitels, accessories. Call to receive or donate. Gina Gittle Tonkonog 347-615-3294

PARK MIKVAH

Amazon. Use the following link: <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-7037953>. A donation will be made to Park Mikvah. Hours: Sun-Thu hours 9PM-11PM Fri night by appt only by leaving message at 732-249-2411 or via website or call/text 732-221-8155. Motzai Shabbos, Sept. 8, 11: 9:15-11:15PM, Sept 12 (Tzom Gedalia): 9PM-11PM, Sept 15, 22, 25, 29: 9PM-11PM, closed: Sept 18 (Yom Kippur); Sept 19: 9:30-11PM; appt only: Sept 9,10,23,24, 30, Oct 1. Continue to check www.parkmikvah.org and voice message at 732-249-2411 for updates.

- Have you participated in this incredible mitzvah campaign yet? Go to www.parkmikvah.org/donate to help raise the remaining funds!

HP/EDISON WELCOMING COMMITTEE

For info please contact Rikki Samel, (732) 249-5116, or email rachelle_stern@yahoo.com.

HP/EDISON CONNECTS INFO-SHARING FORUM

Welcomes newcomers to our community.

For info please contact Rikki Samel or Rachelle Stern. Exchange info about local events, shiurim, etc. To join, email highlandparkedisconnects@yahoooogroups.com to join.

BIKUR CHOLIM:

- WEBSITE: bikurcholimrv.com. Website provides info regarding Bikur Cholim services, including how to access our local hospitals on Shabbat, how to borrow medical equipment, and how to get prescription medication on Shab
- DRIVERS NEEDED: With the influx of patients here for treatment at ProCure in Somerset, Bikur Cholim is in need of more volunteer drivers. If you are able to give one day a week (Mon thru Fri) or even one day a month to help with transportation, please call the Bikur Cholim Transportation Hotline 732-672-9059

OHR TORAH NEWSLETTER: Subscribe to Announcements, go to www.ohrtorah.net
SHALOSH SEUDOS SPONSORSHIP: To sponsor 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 of all types are available contact Barry Siegel siegeldad@gmail.com.

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 EVENTS: Children can register for events on OT's website "ohrtorah.net" or call Mayer Berg at 732-572-3429.

REFUAH SHLEIMAH LEARNING: See the 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 732-828-5642 (home) 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 "Register for OT Yahrzeit Notification" or speak with Ralph Dessau or Gene Wasserman.

LOCAL ERUV: The Eruv committee checks the eruv every week. However, if eruv is down, and

you didn't check the status before Shabbat, the averah of carrying on Shabbat is on you. It's extremely important to know the status of the eruv before Shabbat start! We have six official ways of alerting you to eruv's status. Be aware and find out eruv status every week before Shabbat and Chaggim.

• **Twitter:** Eruv's official alerts are sent out via Twitter. Follow @hp_eruv on Twitter Get updates about eruv's status as it's been determined.

• **Text Messages:** Don't have a Smartphone or don't want to use Twitter? Get alerts via text. This involves setting up a Twitter account, but once setup, you can ignore your Twitter account. It gives you immediate alerts without Twitter blather.

• **Facebook:** Facebook group @hperuv that gets updated when we update Twitter account. Follow Facebook group (don't just "Like" it), and you'll get alerts about the eruv's status via Facebook.

• **Email:** Go to <http://hperuv.org> and sign up for the email list. The email list checks the eruv's status after 3pm once per hour and sends out an email with updates.

• **Eruv Webpage:** The eruv webpage at <http://hperuv.org> has the latest Twitter feed displayed on the bottom of the front page.

• **Hotline:** Yes, there is still the eruv hotline. However, it's too easy to forget to call when you're busy preparing for Shabbat. That's why we offer

push notifications through Twitter, SMS Text messages, Facebook, and email.

We also have new webpage

at <http://hperuv.org> with map of exact eruv boundaries, and where you need to be careful about staying inside eruv. There have been some major changes in the eruv in the last few years:

• The eruv boundary is now goes along Plainfield road and not Sutton Lane.

• The Stelton Community Center Playground is now in the eruv.

• Cook/Douglas campuses of Rutgers are no longer in the eruv.

• If eruv around Donaldson Park is down, the playground in Donaldson is no longer in backup. If you weren't aware of these changes, check out the latest Interactive eruv map.

Go to <http://hperuv.org/status> for more info about getting eruv alerts, or contact David Weintraub at david@weintraub.name for help.

Parshat Vayelech

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