



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parshat Va'era /Mevarchim

28 Tevet 5780

January 25, 2020

Candlelighting: 4:47 PM
Mincha: 4:55 PM
Shacharis: 7:45, 9 & 9:15 AM
Hashkama Speaker - Rabbi Luban
Rabbi Hoffman's Halacha B'iyun Shiur – After Hashkama
Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A): 9:41 AM
Rabbi Luban's Moed Katan Shiur – 3:50 PM
Mincha: 1:45 & 4:40 PM
Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Rabbi Eli Reisman
Maariv: 5:55 PM
Shabbos Ends: 5:56 PM
Weekday Shacharis:
Sun. 7:15. & 8 AM
Mon. (Rosh Chodesh) 6:10, 6:50 & 8 AM
Earliest Talis/Tefillin – 6:16
Tues., Wed., & Fri. 6:30, 7:10 & 8 AM
Thu. 6:20, 7:05 & 8 AM
Early Mincha Sun. 1:00 PM
Mincha/Maariv: 4:55 PM
Late Maariv: 7:30 & 10:10 PM
No 7:30 Maariv on Sunday

Shiurim:
 - Rabbi Akiva Sauer's Shiur on Daf Yomi Be'iyun: after 7:15 Shacharis on Sunday
 -Rabbi Luban's She'eilos Uteshuvs Shiur Monday 9:10PM.
 -Semichas Chaver Program with Rabbi Malitzky, Tuesday 8:00 PM in YFM
Daf Yomi Schedule
 Monday-Thursday: after 7:30 Maariv
 Friday night: after Maariv
 Shabbos morning: 8:15AM and after Hashkama
 Sunday: after 8AM Shacharis

KIDDUSH

Kiddush is sponsored by Penny and Michael Kaplan in memory of the Yahrtzeit of Penny's father Yoel ben Yisroel A"H.
 Kiddush sponsorship available Feb 22.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Miriam and Michael Rabinowitz in honor of the Yahrtzeit of Michael's father Rabbi Dovid ben Gedalyahu Halevi A"H.

SIMCHA LEINER

Once again, Ohr Torah will be hosting a musical Shabbos on January 31 - February 1 with this year's featured "chazzan" being world renowned entertainer Simcha Leiner off of the release of his newest album, כל הכבוד. He will welcome in Shabbos with a special Kabbalat Shabbat davening as well as lead an inspiring Mussaf. The community is invited to another "famous Friday night Oneg" graciously hosted by Michie and Sari Klerer. Sponsors for the weekend are greatly appreciated.
 The experience will continue on Saturday night, February 1st, at a benefit concert for Tomchei Shabbos of Middlesex County. To purchase tickets in order to support this wonderful organization visit:

<http://tomcheimc.org/simcha-leiner-concert-2020/>

MAZEL TOV

...to Toby and Michael Eleff on the birth of a son to their children Rabbi Ariel and Avigail Fogel of Baltimore.
 ...to Helen and Benjy Kramer on the engagement of their son Yosef to Penny Rabin in Israel. Mazel Tov to Vivian and Doug Rabin of Passaic and the entire Kramer and Rabin families.

RABBI REISMAN SHALOSH SEUDOS SERIES

This week and next week, Rabbi Reisman will continue his Shalosh Seudos Halacha series. He will be discussing: "When the Day Really Starts - is MyZmanim.com Really Our Zmanim?"

RAV ASHER WEISS-SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE ON 2/7-8

Congregation Ohr Torah is incredibly excited to host Harav Hagaon Rav Asher Weiss for a very special Shabbos Scholar in Residence. Rav Asher Weiss is one of the preeminent Gedolim of our generation and is a highly sought after speaker by all segments of world Jewry. Rav Weiss will be speaking many times throughout Shabbos.

MEDICAL HALACHA SEMINAR-SUNDAY FEBRUARY 9TH

Congregation Ohr Torah is honored to host a special medical halacha seminar on Sunday morning 2/9 with Rav Asher Weiss. Rav Weiss is the Posek for Shaarei Tzedek hospital and has authored over 40 seforim. After 8am shacharis and breakfast, Rav Weiss will speak about determining maternity and paternity, Shabbos in a technological age, and end of life dilemmas. A Q and A session with Rav Asher Weiss will follow.

SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:
 -Saul Wasserman in memory of Saul's mother Frumit bas Yisrael Hirsh HaKohen Z"L

YASHER KOACH

To Dr. Alan Singer, Professor at the Touro graduate school of social work for presenting a seminar at the recent conference of Nefesh International, the association of Orthodox mental health professionals. The seminar title was: Successful Modalities for Healing After Infidelity.

THANK YOU

I would like to thank each and every person who attended minyan, visited me and brought over food during my shiva. Your warmth and support were of enormous

comfort to me during this most difficult period in my life. May we only share smachot.

Eli Matoren

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNUAL HIGHLAND PARK COMMUNITY KOLLEL BREAKFAST

Mr. Avi Milgraum, Chairman of the Annual Highland Park Community Kollel Breakfast, is pleased to announce that the Guest of Honor at this year's breakfast will be Mr. Moshe Wiesel. The breakfast will IY'H take place at Congregation Ohr Torah on Sunday Morning, February 2nd at 9:30am. For further info or to make an online donation, please visit <http://www.HPKollel.com> or contact Mr. Avi Milgraum at (908) 812.6924

AVOS UBANIM MOTZEI SHABBOS FATHER & SON LEARNING

Avos Ubanim Motzei Shabbos Father & Son Learning is back! From 6:45 - 7:45 at Agudah. All boys that attend get a slice of pizza and a raffle ticket for a chance to win great prizes! This program is absolutely free of charge! All are welcome regardless of school and Shul affiliation. required. A light dinner will be served.

RPRY

--SOS Mishmar Parent Child Learning Program Open to All grades in the RPRY Beit Medrash Every Motzai Shabbat at 7PM. Pizza, Refreshments, Prizes

VISITING SOFER

The Sofer will be available to check your mezzuzot and tefillin Sunday, Jan 26, , from 10AM at Judaica Gallery, 300 Raritan Ave Highland Park. For questions or to make an appt, please call 732-828-7722.

GIRLS MOVIE NIGHT

Come join us for an all girls movie night on February 8th at 7pm located at 17 Fairhill Road in Edison! There will be pizza, ice cream, popcorn and more! For girls grades 2-4 only.

RABBI REISMAN

Rabbi Reisman will be speaking for men and women on Tefillas Haderech - When, Where and How on Friday night, Parshas Vaeira, January 24th, at 8:30pm at Khal Chassidim, 46 N. 8th Avenue. Topics will include the proper procedure when traveling to Brooklyn or Lakewood; short trips and daily commutes; cruises, trains, planes and spaceships. For more information contact Marsha Eiserman at 347-203-7906.

CJJAPAC

Central Jersey Jewish Public Affairs Committee (CJJAPAC) is honored to welcome Mark Weitzman of the Simon Weisenthal Center to address the community on "Antisemitism- The Evil in our midst" Monday Feb 10th at 8 pm at Ohav Emeth, He will address the rising threats of Antisemitism around the world as well as in our own backyard. This important program is free and open to the whole community. For more info, contact Michael Gordon at jewish411@yahoo.com.

RESERVE THE DATE

2020 NORPAC Washington mission. Tues. May 19
TOMCHEI SHABBOS OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY BENEFIT CONCERT - SIMCHA LEINER

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

Edison/Highland Park Community Wide Concert featuring Simcha Leiner to benefit our very own Tomchei Shabbos of Middlesex County. Motzei Shabbos, Feb 1, @ 8PM at Highland Park High School (102 North 5th Ave, HP) Tickets prices available are: \$100, \$50 and \$36. To purchase tickets, visit tomcheimc.org or email mcjewishevents@gmail.com

ANTI-SEMITISM: GLOBAL TO LOCAL

The Orthodox Forum of Edison/Highland Park presents: Evan Bernstein, ADL New York/New Jersey Regional Dir on Motzei Shabbat, Feb 1 at 8pm. at Ahavas Achim. Evan Bernstein is responsible for all ADL initiatives across NY State and Northern and Central NJ. He is regularly quoted in local and national news sources that have included CNN, the Wall Street Journal and The New York Times about issues related to civil rights and anti-Semitism. Program is free of charge. The Orthodox Forum gladly accepts season sponsorships, as well as program sponsorships. For more info, visit: www.orthodoxjewishforum.org.

SH'NAINU, THE

EDISON/HP SHIDDUCH GROUP

The next meeting of Sh'nainu, The Edison/HP Shidduch Group, formally known as the Rosh Chodesh Shidduch Group, will be Sunday night, January 26, 8pm It will be at the Ravitz home, 60 Hamlin Rd, Edison. Please bring a photograph along with any resume you are presenting.

HIGHLAND PARK/EDISON CONNECTS

FREE PARENTING SERIES FOR WOMEN: Please join us on Monday, February 3rd at 8pm at the home of Shira Shinkman (26 Leslie St, Edison) for Part 1 of a two part free parenting series, titled "How to Respect - Not Control - Your Teen (and Others!)". Devorah Weiss, LMSW, certified parent-teen coach, will present tips, tools, and techniques to strengthen all parent/teen relationships! This workshop is being given l'zecher nishmas Harav Gershon Weiss, ZT"L, beloved father of Chanie Zeilberger. To RSVP please email Rachelle.stern@yahoo.com

PARLOR MEETING

Wednesday, February 12 at 8 PM at the home of Aviva and Barry Siegel (16 Edgemount Road, Edison) on behalf of Yeshiva Mishkan HaTorah in Yerushalayim. Mishkan HaTorah is a new program for young men who would like to continue learning in Eretz Yisroel while developing their professional careers. Rav Michael Feder, the Rosh Yeshiva, will speak briefly about the program, and will field questions about the way the yeshiva is changing the way we think about learning and career development in Eretz Yisroel. For more info, please contact Aviva at sieglmom@gmail.com or Barry at siegeldad@gmail.com

KRAV MAGA

Krav Maga self- defense classes: Tuesday nights in Edison for ages 13 and up: females 7:15 PM; males 8:30 PM. Please call Yisroela Joran for details at 917-834-6665.

BIKUR CHOLIM

ANNUAL BIKUR CHOLIM BREAKFAST: March 1st at 9:30AM at the Pines Manor, 2085 Route 27, Edison. Guest speaker Rabbi Shmuel Marcus, Rabbi of the Young Israel of Queens Valley and Rebbe at Lander College for Men. Honorees will be Dr. & Mrs. Josh Segal and Dr. & Mrs. Aviv Orani. Couvert is \$54 per person, sponsorships available. Invitations to follow.

MA'AYANOT

Ma'ayanot Yeshiva High School for Girls presents the 11th Annual Day of Big Ideas. Sun, Feb 2, 9:30am - 12:30pm. Keynote address by Mrs. Esther Slomnicki, teacher of Biology, AP Biology and Anatomy, on the topic of "Knowledge and

Privacy in Conflict: DNA Testing", followed by breakout sessions with Ma'ayanot faculty. Men and women are invited to attend.

FOR WOMEN

-Rebbitzen Eichenstein's classes for women: Tefilla class on Sunday, January 26 at 11:00 AM at the Aguda shule; Parsha class on Monday, January 27 at 8:00 PM at Congregation Ohr Torah. For more info, please call/text Aviva at 732-672-7104 or sieglmom@gmail.com

-The Ahavas Yisroel Women's Learning Program presents Writer, Blogger and columnist for the New Jersey Jewish News, Merri Ukraincik.

Please join us on Shabbos Afternoon ,Feb 29th at 4PM at Cong Ahavas Yisroel. Merri's Topic will be "What's in a Name?" For more info contact Sharon Glaser at sharonnglaser@gmail.com

-Rebbitzen Eichenstein's classes for women: please call/text Aviva at 732-672-7104 or sieglmom@gmail.com

-Parsha class by Mrs. Miri Cohen: No class on Tuesday, January 28.

-Tiferes: DVD for women Motzai Shabbos February 15 at 8:30 PM at the Siegel home. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are available to Tiferes members. Current teleconference: "The building blocks of Shalom Bayis" with Mrs. Zehava Lefkovitz. For more info or to become a member, contact Aviva at sieglmom@gmail.com. The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zeher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.

LEFKOVITS FAMILY PARK MIKVAH

- Shovavim Shiur for married women: Lefkovits Family Park Mikvah and Irgun Shiurei Torah present a 2 part shiur given by Mrs. Debby Selengut, premier Kallah teacher, on Feb. 10 at 8:30 PM in the YFM room at Cong Ohr Torah.

- Lefkovits Family Park Mikvah presents an evening with famous Israeli news anchor and lecturer, Mrs. Sivan Rahav Meir, popular Israeli news anchor and journalist who gives a weekly Torah shiur to 1000 people in Israel, at the annual Women's Melavah Malka on Feb 29, at 8:30 PM at Cong Ohr Torah.

- January, February hours:

· Sunday – Thursday: 8:00 PM – 10:30 PM
· All Motzai Shabbos 7:30 – 10:00

All out of hour and Friday night appointments should be made online at www.parkmikvah.org. Alternatively they can be made by texting/calling (732) 221-8155 or emailing hpmikvah@gmail.com. Please be reminded that out of hours appointments incur an additional \$20 fee. During the winter months the out of hours fee is waived for appointments occurring between nightfall and opening time. For all comments and questions, please email hpmikvah@gmail.com.

GEMACHS

Etz Ahaim has a complete listing of all local area gemachs at <https://www.etzahaim.org/local-gemachs/>.

- Lev Lenefesh centerpiece Gemach number has changed to (732) 630-9148.

-Sheitl Gemach: Brayla Custom Wigs is also a sheitl gemach. Wigs of all conditions accepted. All welcome-any location for drop off/pick up.

Renee@braylawigs.com 908-208-5738. Edison, NJ

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

-The Edison/HP gown gmach has a large variety of gowns for all ages. Some toddler boys tuxedos also avail. Text 5165260941 for more info.

-Kittel gemach.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.

--Head Covering Gemach: Snoods, hat,accessories, sheitles. Donate and receive. Contact: call, text or email. Mrs. Gina Gittel Tonkonog 347-615-3294,

ginatonkonog@gmail.com. Also contact for no-charge Kallah Classes, as originally taught by Rebbetzin Tehilla Abramov.

OHR TORAH NEWSLETTER: Subscribe to Announcements, go to www.ohrtorah.net

E-MAIL LIST: To join OT email list, contact Gene Wasserman at genew@compugene.com.

KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP: To sponsor Kiddush or reserve Kiddush room contact Russell Adler or Elie Wiesel at reservations@ohrtorah.net

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 ludēju@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 Aaron Breslin at 908-907-7308.

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: 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_ervu 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. 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.

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

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Candlelighting:

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