



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parshat Ki Tissa - Parah

18 Adar 5780

March 14, 2020

Candlelighting:	6:44 PM
Mincha:	6:50 PM
Shacharis:	7:45, 9 & 9:30 AM
<i>Hashkama Speaker - Josh Rapps</i>	
<i>Rabbi Hoffman's Halacha B'iyun Shiur</i>	
<i>after Hashkama Minyan</i>	
Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A):	10:08AM
<i>Rabbi Luban's Chagigah Shiur – 5:45 PM</i>	
Mincha:	1:45 & 6:35PM
<i>No Shalosh Seudos</i>	
Maariv:	7:50PM
Shabbos Ends:	7:54PM
Weekday Shacharis:	
Sun.	7:15, 8 & 9AM
Mon. & Thur:	6:20, 7:05 & 8 AM
Tues, Wed. & Fri	6:30, 7:10 & 8AM
Early Mincha Sun.	1:45 PM
Mincha/Maariv	6:50 PM
Late Maariv:	10:10 PM
Shiurim:	
- Rabbi Akiva Sauer's Shiur on Daf Yomi Be'iyun:	
Sunday after 7:15 Shacharis	
-Rabbi Luban's She'eilos Uteshuvos Shiur:	
9:10 AM Monday	
-Semichas Chaver Program with Rabbi Malitzky,	
Tuesday 8 PM in social hall	
Daf Yomi Schedule	
Monday-Thursday: after Zman Maariv	
Friday: after first Kabbalas Shabbos	
Shabbos: one hour before Mincha	
Sunday: after 8:00 Shacharis	

SHAIMOS COLLECTION

Congregation Ohr Torah will hold this year's community Shaimos Collection this Sunday, March 15 from 9:30AM to 6PM. The cost is \$20 per large garbage sized bags. Please make all checks out to Congregation Ohr Torah. (Coordinator/questions) Barry Siegel, siegeldad@gmail.com

Seforim sale: There will also be a used Seforim sale at this time, Great Bargains!!! Come find your hard-to-find and/or out-of-print books and stock up your home libraries

MISSING COMPUTER PROJECTOR

The Shul's computer projector is missing. The Shul regularly sponsors events which requires use of this projector. If you know where it is, please let Moshe Wiesel or Gene Wasserman know.

THURSDAY NIGHT LIVE

Everyone is invited to a special Thursday Night Live this coming Thursday night (3/19) on the topic of "The Jewish Approach to Birthdays". The shiur will discuss Halachic and Hashkafic concerns with celebrating birthdays. Join us at 9:15pm on Thursday night in the social hall for an engaging shiur. This week's TNL is sponsored by Rabbi Sarel and Shoshi Malitzky in honor of a special birthday...

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

FRAUDULENT ACTIVITY

Alert from the local police: people are going door to door in the area identifying themselves as working for the CDC, asking to be allowed into homes. Do not engage them or allow them to enter and call police immediately.

BIKUR CHOLIM

Have a loved one in a local nursing home, such as Regency, Arista Care, Gardens of Monroe? (Please let Aviva know if seeking visitors at a different facility). Family members can partner together to visit each other's relatives. Volunteers are also needed to visit the nursing homes. (Note: many nursing homes are currently off limits to visitors due fear of the Corona Virus. Visitation would start when deemed safe.) If you would like to volunteer, know a resident that would like visitors, or are a family member that would like to partner with other family members, please text Aviva at 732-672-7104 or siegelmom@gmail.com

PRE YOM TOV HAT SHOW

A pre Yom Tov hat show featuring head coverings, fascinators, fun hats and shul hats to fit all your needs. A portion of the proceeds will go to the sisterhood of Ohr Torah and Amit
Date: Wed March 25TH
Time: 6:30pm to 8:30pm
Place: Home of Michelle Schanzer
For more info email Sharon Lowinger at SCHL18@aol.com and pm for location.

NORPAC MISSION 2020

NORPAC's Mission to Washington has been postponed until September.

ACTT

ACTT (Achieving Change Thru Torah): module: Kiddush Hashem; source book: Artscroll's "A Life Worth Living - Stories and Ideas for Constant Kiddush Hashem" by Rabbi Shraga Freedman; Module packet: www.actt613.org/3.html; Rabbi Staum's "Kiddush Hashem: the kiddush that never ends" talk: www.actt613.org/6.html or <https://www.torahanytime.com/#/lectures?v=95621>. For more info, e-mail info@actt613.org or call Phil Rosen (732) 572-8762

TIFERES

Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are available to Tiferes members. Current teleconferences: "Purim and Pesach: The Pressure or the Pleasure" with Mrs. Dina Schoonmaker. For more info or to become a member, please contact Aviva at siegelmom@gmail.com. The Hip/Edison group of Tiferes is zecher Nishmas Malka bas Shalom.

2020 CENSUS

The 2020 Census is coming in March. When your invitation comes, you can respond online, by phone, or by mail. Let's make sure that as many residents of our community as possible are counted. Did you know? The Census is used to apportion seats in the US House of Representatives. Lower population has caused congressional redistricting in NJ. That's why Frank Pallone is now the congressional representative for what used to be two districts.

NETIVOT'S GALA DINNER

Please join us for Netivot's gala dinner March 29, honoring Yosef and Marsha Schreiber, Michelle Pincus and Margalit Gottlieb, at The Imperia, Somerset. Tickets and journal ads at mynetivot.com/gala2020

KRAV MAGA

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

FUND RAISER

Aryeh Margolin will be helping to raise money for OurPlace in an all-night Learn-a-thon. OurPlace is our community's largest network of drop-in centers for at-risk Jewish youth struggling with drug & alcohol addiction, past trauma & sexual abuse and criminal behavior. Please support him. <https://ourplacelearnathon.org/Aryehmargolin>

SPONSOR A RUNNER

Baruch (Bruce) Jacobi is running The Jerusalem 10K again! This year I am running for the mental health and well-being of our IDF soldiers provided by the Peace of Mind program of the Israeli Trauma Center / Herzog Hospital. Hats off to Rosanne and Arnie Koenigson and all the other volunteers and sponsors of the Edison/HP/East Brunswick community wide hosting of a group of our young protectors as they transition back into "regular" Israeli life. Please use this link to help the well-being of our IDF boys:

Kiddush and Shalosh Seudos are cancelled this week.

MAZEL TOV

...to Charyn and Harvey Atlas upon the marriage of their son, Bezalel to Jasmine Nazarieh, daughter of Caryn and David Nazarieh of Plainview, NY. Mazel Tov to siblings, Jessica and Jason, Zehava and Michael, nieces and nephew.

...to Renee and David Griboff on the birth of a grandson, Amichai Shlomo, born to their children Sarah and Ilan of Modiin.

...to Barry and Miryam Arnow on the engagement of their granddaughter Chana-Rochel Arnow to Moshe Grossman of Lakewood, NJ. Mazel Tov to the parents Zalman and Rivkie Arnow and Rav Dovid and Miri Grossman...

...to Rachel & Alan Kluger on the engagement of their son Willy to Chanie Schonfeld of Woodmere, daughter of Judy & Robbie A'H Schonfeld. Mazel Tov to the entire Kluger, Zimmerman, Wohlgegemuth, Schonfeld and Klausner families.

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

<https://www.igive.com/new/en/usd/donation-targets/31921>

RABBI WEISS'S SHIUR

Rabbi Weiss's shiur on Tehillim for men and women: Wednesday evenings at 7PM at 154 N. 10th Ave, Highland Park. Info please contact Marsha Eiserman at 347-203-7906.

HADDASSAH

-Joint HPCT-CAE Sisterhood- Hadassah Program Tue, Mar 31, 8pm. *The Sisterhood of HPCT-CAE will be coordinating and hosting the program this year, and Raritan Valley Hadassah will be providing the refreshments.*

-Intergenerational Women's Panel Wed, April 29, 7pm. Cong Ahavas Achim Chicks with Sticks Next meeting Wed, April 29 from 1pm-3pm. at the home of Phyllis Pollak, 209 N. 4th Ave, HP. Questions or need to pick up more yarn for call Phyllis at 732-246-7366 or 732-853-6058 or email phypollak@yahoo.com.

ISRAEL MAY MISSION 2020

Join Congregation Ahavas Achim on our first Israel May Mission from May 19-June 1, 2020. The mission will include roundtrip nonstop flights on El Al Israel Airlines from Newark, 8 nights at the Leonardo Plaza Hotel, 3 nights at the Carlton Hotel in Tel Aviv, 3 day touring excursion with experienced guides, full Israeli breakfast daily, three dinners in Tel Aviv, Friday night and Shabbat lunch on both Shabbatot, lunch and dinner meals on Shavuot, tips, transfers, and handling. The cost per person (based on double occupancy) is \$4858. Registration is now open. Prices guaranteed through February 17. Sign up at arieltours.com/aamission. Questions can be directed to: aamission@arieltours.com.

FOR WOMEN

-Rebbitzen Eichenstein's classes for women: Call/text Aviva at 732-672-7104 or sieqelmom@gmail.com for status of classes on Sunday, March 15 and Monday, March 16.
-Women's Learning Initiative:
· Offers customized Torah learning partners / chavrusas! For a personalized study program of your choice, email your contact information to womenslearninginitiative@gmail.com
-Parsha class by Mrs. Miri Cohen: Tuesday class resumes after Pesach.

LEFKOVITS FAMILY PARK MIKVAH

March hours:

-Sun- Thur: 8:30PM -10:30PM
-Motzai Shabbos, March 14, 21, 28: 9 - 11
- April hours:

· Sun-Thur: 8:30PM - 10:30 PM
· Friday: by appointment only
· April 8, 9, 10 (1st days Pesach): by appt only
· April 14, 15 (2nd days Pesach): by appt only
· April 16 (Motzai 2nd days Pesach): 9:45 PM - 11:30 PM
· Motzai Shabbos, April 4: 9:15 PM - 11:15 PM
· April 11, 18, 25: 9:30 PM - 11:30 PM
All out of hour and Friday night appts 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 appts incur an additional \$20 fee. During the winter months the out of hours fee is waived for appointments occurring between nightfall and opening time.

GEMACHS

Etz Ahaim has a complete listing of all local area gemachs at <https://www.etzahaim.org/local-gemachs/>.
-DIABETIC SUPPLIES GEMACH: Providing diabetic Supplies- Insulin, test strips, meters etc. for those who ran out/waiting for insurance approval or guests who left supplies at home. Please text Deutsch family at 646-683-7394.
- 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.com.
-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.
-OE's 13th Annual Purim Costume Gemach starts next week! Over 1,000 great costumes and accessories from new born to adult.
Sunday February 23rd 10 am - 4 pm
Wednesday February 26th 6:30 pm -8 pm
Sunday March 1st 10 am - 4 pm
Wednesday March 4th 6:30 pm - 8 pm.
Congregation Ohav Emeth, 415 Raritan Ave., NJ
The Gemach is also in need of Adult and Teenager volunteers for help before, during and after the Purim Costume Gemach. Any questions, please email costumeqemach@yahoo.com.

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 siegelddad@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 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.

Parshat Vayakhel-Pekudei

Candlelighting:

6:52 PM

Mincha:

7:00 PM

Ohr Torah can be found at <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.