



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parshat Beshalach

17 Shevat 5781

January 30, 2021

Candlelighting: 4:54 PM

Mincha/ Kabbalas Shabbos: 5:00 PM (Main Shul and Social Hall) 4:55 PM (RPRY Blacktop)

Shacharis:

7:25, 9:15 (Main Shul)

Hashkama speaker – Alex Scott

8:30 (RPRY blacktop),

9:15 (YFM- Social Hall)

9:30 AM (Teen Minyan, RPRY)

Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A)

9:39AM

Mincha:

1:45 & 4:45 PM (Main Shul, RPRY Blacktop)

Rabbi Luban's Gemara Chagiga Shiur in Main Shul after Mincha

Maariv: Mincha followed by Maariv at Shekiya. (RPRY blacktop), 6:00 PM (Main Shul)

Shabbos Ends: 6:03PM

Weekday Shacharis:

Sunday 7:15, 8 & 9 AM (Main Shul), 8 AM (Blacktop)

Mon. and Thur

6:20, 7:05 & 8 AM (Main Shul), 7 AM (Blacktop)

Tues., Weds. & Fri.

6:30, 7:10 & 8 AM (Main Shul), 7 AM (Blacktop)

Please note: All blacktop Shacharis Minyanim start at R. Yishmael

Mincha/Maariv: 5:05 PM (Main Shul and Blacktop)

Early Mincha-Sunday (Main Shul) 1:00 PM

Late Maariv: 10:10PM

DAF YOMI

Yossi Strauch will conduct Daf Yomi on Zoom on Sundays at 9 AM and Monday - Thursday at 7:30 PM.

To join, please use the following link:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/6509663250> and enter password 156781. This link and password are to be used for the daily Daf Yomi

TUESDAY NIGHT TEHILLIM

The Ohr Torah Tuesday night Men's Tehillim group meets (virtually) starting at 9:30 PM. For a ZOOM invitation weekly, please email dralansinger@gmail.com

OT SHAIMOS COLLECTION

SCHEDULED FOR 2-28-2021

Congregation Ohr Torah will hold this year's community Shaimos Collection on Sunday, February 28 from 9:30AM to 6PM. The cost is \$20 per large garbage sized bag. Please make all checks out to Congregation Ohr Torah. (Coordinator/questions) Barry Siegel, siegeldad@gmail.net

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.

MAZEL TOV

... to Miriam and Steven Lefkowitz on the engagement of their daughter Sara to Josh Kazsovitz from the five towns. Mazel Tov to the entire Lefkowitz family.

THANK YOU

Lou and Hedy Smith want to thank the Ohr Torah community for the comfort and solace provided after Lou's recent loss of his mother.

May we all have only simchas in the future.

SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous Seforim donations:

-Ilana and Avi Tobias in memory of Lou Smith's mother Mae Smith Z"L

-Ilana and Avi Tobias in memory of Josh Rapps father Rabbi Moshe Rapps Z"L

-Ilana and Avi Tobias in memory of Gil and Mina Reich's father Mr. Yehuda Reich Z"L

-Terry and Rose Walzman in memory of Lou Smith's mother Mae Smith Z"L

-Terry and Rose Walzman in memory of Charlie Gershbaum's mother Hilda Gershbaum Z"L

-Honey & Max Wisotsky in memory of Charlie Gershbaum's mother Hilda Gershbaum Z"L

-Larry & Miriam Greenman in memory of their fathers Rabbi Joseph Sporn & R' Gerald Greenman Z"L

-Israel & Rebecca Rivkin in memory of Charlie Gershbaum's mother Hilda Gershbaum Z"L

-Israel & Rebecca Rivkin in honor of the Goldblatt family marriage of Avital & Stevie Brinn

-Israel & Rebecca Rivkin in honor of the engagement of Aviva & Barry Siegel's son Avi to Chana Dantus.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

ACTT

ACTT (Achieving Change Thru Torah): New module starting by mid-February 2021: "The Six Constant Mitzvos 2"; source book: Artscroll's "Constant Connection - Deepening your Emunah through the Six Constant Mitzvos. Based on the teachings of Rabbi Noach Weinberg zt"l" by Rabbi Yitzchak Coopersmith. More details to follow. See www.actt613.org for 14 years of ACTT material, including event audios, module packets, and a comprehensive list of ACTT learning resources.

OE PURIM COSTUME GEMACH SURVEY

It's been a crazy year of חורף הורף since last Purim, with the world literally turned upside down and masks for all becoming the norm, not just a costume anymore! As we approach Purim in a Covid world, the Purim Costume Gemach would like to gauge your interest in participating this year. Under the direction of the Rabbi and

President of Ohav Emeth, as well as OE's Medical Advisor, they have been brainstorming ways to run things in as safe and an efficient way as possible. Below are the protocols that will be in place:

- Limited hours and by appt only:
Sun, Feb 14: 10am.- 5pm. and 7pm-9pm.;
Tues, Feb 16: 7pm-9pm.;
Thur Feb 18: 7pm-9pm.
- Limited # of people per 20 minute time slot.
- Only two people per family at a time. All who come to the Gemach must be at least 16 years old.
- Temperature check and hand sanitizer applied at the door.
- Masks must be worn at all times.
- Borrowing will be limited to costumes; no accessories will be available.

Please use this link: <https://tinyurl.com/y2szejro> to let them know if you still plan on borrowing from the Costume Gemach this year. They understand that these protocols will make using the Gemach a bit more cumbersome than usual, but they need to ensure that the Gemach is being conducted in as safe a way as possible.

PURIM CARDS FROM THE KINDER FUND

Our local Tzedaka organization, The Kinder Fund in memory of Dina Eisner, a"n, is selling Purim Mishloach Manos cards for \$2.00 each. The cards are perfect to send to all friends & relatives. All proceeds from the sale enable The Kinder Fund to help subsidize needed services for many local children. To obtain cards, contact Tova Josefovitz at 732.572.9432, Shoshana Diskind at 732.572.7755, Lani Eisner at 732.572.1087 or Janice Lustiger at 732.819.4919 or e-mail your request to thekinderfund@gmail.com.

MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

The first-ever National Jewish Virtual Mission to Washington will take place on Monday and Tuesday, February 1-2. The Mission is an opportunity for communities across the United States to join together virtually with political leaders and policymakers from both sides of the aisle, to advocate for the future of the Jewish community. Participants will have the opportunity to learn about and advocate for laws that fight anti-Semitism, ensure a strong U.S.-Israel relationship and provide government resources to keep Jewish institutions flourishing. Please join them on the mission by registering at: <https://tinyurl.com/yyz5sdap>.

MEDICAL TOPICS LUNCH AND LEARN

Saint Peter's University Hospital is teaming up with the East Brunswick Public Library for the following virtual "Lunch 'N Learn" program "Arthritis" Friday, Feb 5, 12pm. Registration is requested for these free events. For nfo or to register, visit: www.ebpl.org/calendar or call: 732- 390-6767.

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.

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

Please help: If you know of any professional, part-time, or temporary job openings, please e-mail the info to ENRVInfo@gmail.com.

RABBI PESACH RAYMON YESHIVA

Because it's virtual, even those considering moving to our community can easily attend an open house. RSVPs can be made at www.rpry.org At RPRY, our warm and nurturing environment provides the platform for academic excellence in general and Judaic studies for pre-schoolers (age 2) to 8th grade. Shoshana Madsen Dir of Admissions 732-572-5052 x204 smadsen@rpry.org

LEFKOVITS FAMILY PARK MIKVAH

PRESENTS ITS ANNUAL

SHOVAVIM SHIUR FOR WOMEN

Women's shiur (married women only): Lefkovits Family Park Mikvah presents its annual Shovavim shiur which will take place virtually Tuesday, Feb. 2 at 8:30 PM. Aviva Feiner, Rebbitzin of the White Shul in Far Rockaway, former principal of Machon Basya Rochel seminary in Lawrence and Mishpacha's Family First contributor, will be our guest speaker. Title: The FEINER points of our Unique Mitzvah. Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6667348762?pwd=RXJMUUM2VldtbnRSU05WdzZacVIMZ09> For more info, please email hpmikvah@gmail.com

BIKUR CHOLIM

-Please join us Motzei Shabbos, Feb 13th at 8:30PM for the Bikur Cholim Annual (Virtual) Event featuring Master Illusionist and Mentalist, David Blatt. Enjoyment for the whole family! Invitations have been sent out and may not have arrived yet. Please register on our website: <http://www.bikurcholimrv.org>. Couvert is \$36 per screen. Sponsorships available. Receive a surprise gift by sponsoring by Feb 2.
- WEBSITE: [bikurcholimrv.org](http://www.bikurcholimrv.org). The website provides info regarding Bikur Cholim services, including how to access local hospitals on Shabbat, borrow medical equipment, and how to get prescription medication on Shabbat.

RABBI REISMAN TO SPEAK AT KHAL CHASSIDIM

Rabbi Eli Reisman will be speaking for men and women on the Brocha of Hagomel: Part 2 on January 29th at 8:30 pm at Khal Chassidim, 46 N. 8th Avenue. Topics will include the right time and place to make the Brocha, what to do in the case of a doubt, what is the Tinyan of having two Talmidei Chachomim there, and do women and children make the Brocha. Masks and social distancing required. For more info, contact Marsha Eiserman at 347-203-7906.

RABBI YISROEL WEISS' TEHILLIM SHIUR

Rabbi Yisroel Weiss' Tehillim Shiur for men and women on Zoom: Wed night 8PM, Meeting ID: 858 5198 8386, Password: RWTehillim To join by phone: Dial 408-638-0968, enter meeting ID, use password 705203. Any questions, Marsha Eiserman 347-203-7906.

RARITAN VALLEY HADASSAH

-Raritan Valley Hadassah presents Bella Scharf Zelingher, former Head of Exhibits at the Jewish Heritage Museum of Monmouth County. She will present her original video about tow philanthropic Jewish brothers, Isidor Straus and Nathan Straus. One of them played a major role in launching Hadassah's medical mission in Israel. Meeting will be held on Sun, Feb 21 at 11am on zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88630214901?pwd=THRVR3VlSWZKSjhxR2F6RDgzZmhPZz09> Meeting ID: 886 3021 4901; passcode: 997421.

FOR WOMEN

-Rebbitzin Eichenstein's classes for women: No class on Sunday, January 31;
- Monday, February 01 at 8:00 PM, Parsha class on ZOOM: Meeting ID: 474 278

7632 Passcode: 1 or +19292056099, 4742787632# (New York). For more info, please contact Aviva at siegelmom@gmail.com

-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
· Parsha class by Mrs. Miri Cohen takes place on ZOOM Tuesday mornings. Text (732) 710-6932 for time and zoom link.

-Tiferes

Shvat DVD: "Shalom: Live the Blessing", speakers: Rabbi Eli Mansour and Mrs. Sterna Lerman. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are available to Tiferes members. Current teleconference: "Relationship Rescue", Speaker: Mrs. Surie Friedman. For more info or to become a member, please contact Aviva at siegelmom@gmail.com. The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zecheh l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.

LEFKOVITS FAMILY PARK MIKVAH:

- Please support the Mikvah while purchasing on Amazon. Use the following link:

<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-7037953>. A donation will be made to Lefkovits Family Park Mikvah.

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-The Mikvah is currently by appt only. Thru March 13TH: All motzai Shabbos 7:30PM – 9:30PM; weekdays: 8PM–10PM. All preparations should be done at home and all appts must be made via our [appointment page](http://www.parkmikvah.org) on www.parkmikvah.org. Please read through all instructions prior to making your appointment. A face mask should also be worn at the mikvah. For all comments and questions, email hpmikvah@gmail.com

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

-**Gemach of outfits for dressy occasions!** New in Edison / Highland Park! Have something to

donate? Have a special occasion and need something to wear? Open by appointment only. Text 732-267-3216

OHR TORAH NEWSLETTER: Subscribe to

Announcements, go to www.ohrtorah.net

E-MAIL 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 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 the Members tab and then click "Register for OT Yahrzeit Notification" or speak with Ralph Dessau or Gene Wasserman.

LOCAL ERUV: Find out the status of the eruv by **Email:** We send out an email within 30 minutes after the eruv's status has been determined. You can sign up to this service by sending a blank email to hperuv+subscribe@groups.io.

Twitter: This is our official notification channel. Follow [@hp_eruv](https://twitter.com/hp_eruv) to get the eruv status as soon as it has been determined.

Facebook: Join the Facebook Group [hperuv](https://www.facebook.com/hperuv) and get the eruv notifications within 30 minutes after our Twitter update.

Website: Our Website at <https://hperuv.org> will show the eruv's status on the top of the main page. The website also has an up to date map of the entire eruv.

Hotline: Of course, there is always our 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

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