



# Congregation Ohr Torah

## Weekly Announcements

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Parshat Vayakkhel/ Shekalim/Mevarchim

25 Adar Aleph 5782

February 26, 2022

**Candlelighting:** 5:26 PM •  
**Mincha/Kabolas Shabbos:** 5:35 PM (Main Shul + Carlebach Minyan in Social Hall).  
**Shacharis:** 7:45 (Social Hall), 9:00 AM (Main Shul), 9:15 (YFM)

*Hashkama speaker: Rabbi Luban*  
**9:30 AM (Teen Minyan, RPRY)**  
*Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR'A) 9:23AM*  
*Rabbi Luban's Gemara Shiur – 4:30 PM*

**Mincha (Main Shul):** 1:45, & 5:20 PM  
*Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Meir Kornfeld*

**Maariv:** 6:35 PM  
**Shabbos Ends:** 6:36 PM

**Weekday Shacharis**

**Sun.** 7:15, 8 & 9 AM  
*Rabbi Akiva Sauer's Shiur on Daf Yomi Be'iyun*  
*After 7:15 Shacharis*

**Mon:** 6:20, 7:05 & 8 AM

**Tue, Wed** 6:30, 7:10 & 8 AM

**Thu., Fri. (Rosh Chodesh)** 6:10, 6:50 & 8 AM

**Early Mincha-Sunday** 1:00 PM

**Daily Mincha/ Maariv** 5:35 PM

*Shimon Daniel BM Program 9:10-10:10 PM Wed.*

**Late Maariv:** 7:30 & 10:10 PM

*7:30 Maariv does not take place on Sundays*

**DAF YOMI SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK:**

Friday night – No Daf Yomi

Shabbos – 1 hour before Mincha

Sunday – after 8 AM Shacharis;

Monday-Thursday – after 7:30 PM Maariv

### KIDDUSH

Kiddush is cosponsored by the Allen, Barry Schanzer, Schneider, and Moish Wiesel families.

Kiddush sponsorship is available for March 19, April 2 and April 30.

### SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by the Kornfeld Family in memory of David Kornfeld, Dovid Zvi ben Michael, A"H.

### USED SIDURIM/CHUMASHIM AVAILABLE FOR FREE

OT has completed the main Shul bookcase reorganization and the replacing of many of the older Shul Siddurim with newer ones. The pages of the replaced Siddurim are mostly (if not all) intact and just the outside bindings have been taped. The replaced older Siddurim & some Chumashim are still in suitable condition to be used by others. We are offering, for free, the following Siddurim to our members. (If you want to give a token donation to OT for these, that would be appreciated). The replaced Siddurim/Chumashim have been moved elsewhere in the Shul and anyone who wants to take some should contact Barry Siegel ([siegeldad@gmail.com](mailto:siegeldad@gmail.com)). The following are available for taking:

-Many of the all Hebrew ArtScroll Yitzchak Yair Siddurim (RCA edition, Nusach Ashkenaz)

- Some of the all Hebrew ArtScroll Tiferes Shlomo Siddurim (Nusach Sefard)
- All of the Tikun Meir Hachodosh Siddurim
- Some of the Tikun Meir (black) Siddurim
- Some of the larger all Hebrew Chumashim (non-ArtScroll)

### MAZEL TOV

...to Rabbi Malitzky on being invited by Edison Mayor Sam Joshi to deliver the benediction at his State of the Township ceremony this past Tuesday.

### DONATIONS OF SEFARIM

Due to your exceptional generosity, we have reached full capacity on our sidurim, chumashim and sefarim. To that end, we are pausing on accepting any new dedication of sefarim until we can provide more room for them. We have other dedication initiatives being discussed and will roll them out soon. We appreciate your patience.

### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### PURIM CARDS FROM THE KINDER FUND

Our local Tzedaka organization, The Kinder Fund in memory of Dina Eisner, A"H, 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](mailto:thekinderfund@gmail.com).

#### RARITAN VALLEY ORTHODOX JEWISH SINGLES NEWS & EVENTS

Sh'nainu Shidduch Group of Edison/HP continues their Zoom Dating Events for Orthodox Jewish Singles!

-Motzai Shabbos, 2/26/22 for ages 33-48

-Motzai Shabbos, 3/5/22 for ages 45+.

Advanced registration required. Space limited. To register and receive more info, email [shidduchedisonhp@gmail.com](mailto:shidduchedisonhp@gmail.com).

#### RABBI ELI REISMAN

Rabbi Eli Reisman will be speaking for men and women on Questions on Interest with Banks & Credit Unions. It will be on Friday night, Parshas Vayakel, Feb 25th at 8:30PM at Khal Chassidim, 46 N. 8th Ave. Topics will include the historical bank controversy, modern day corporations, & the recent issue with car loans. For more info, please contact Marsha Eiserman at 347-203-7906

#### TAHARAS HAMISHPACHA REVIEW SERIES

Taharas Hamishpacha review series continues: The Lefkovits Family Park Mikvah is pleased to continue their 5 part Taharas Hamishpacha review Zoom series given by Rebbetzin Chayie Chinn, veteran Kallah teacher, Dir of Silver Spring Mikvah and certified dating

coach. She will also share tips on keeping this beautiful mitzvah special. Feb 28, and March 7 from 8PM-9:30PM. To receive the zoom info, register at [bit.ly/hpmikvah1](http://bit.ly/hpmikvah1). For married women only. Free - sponsorships welcome. For info, email [hpmikvah@gmail.com](mailto:hpmikvah@gmail.com)

### ACTT (ACHIEVING CHANGE THRU TORAH)

The new, exciting, life-changing module is:

"SHALOM – PEACE 1"; source book: Artscroll's

"Live the Blessing – Daily wisdom on how to live in peace with family, friends, and yourself" by Chofetz Chaim Heritage Foundation. Learning Schedule, etc. at: [www.actt613.org](http://www.actt613.org).

Email [info@actt613.org](mailto:info@actt613.org) for more info.

### YAD LEAH CLOTHING DRIVE

A Yad Leah clothing drive will B"H take place on Sunday Feb. 27 from 9:00 A.M. until 12:00 P.M. at Congregation Ahavas Achim (AA) parking lot located at 216 South 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Highland Park.

Please donate infant through adult clothing in excellent wearable condition. Shoes only in new or like new condition. Linens, towels, tablecloths, handbags, cosmetics & hair accessories are also accepted in good condition. Bring all in tied garbage bags.

Children's and teen age (adolescent) clothing are sorely needed. Yad Leah will distribute to over 15 communities throughout Israel. An \$36 donation is suggested per donor (checks made out to American Friends of Yad Leah) to help defray the shipping & processing costs.

Receipts will be provided by Yad Leah for the money and clothing (and/or miscellaneous items) contributed.

Due to Covid, pre-registration is required at [www.israeldrive.org](http://www.israeldrive.org)

We are also looking for volunteers at the collection site to help with the bags and the paperwork.

If anyone has any questions or would like to volunteer or sponsor shipping costs, please call David Moskovic at 732-580-1052 or e-mail at [dmoskovic@aol.com](mailto:dmoskovic@aol.com).

### RPRY ANNOUNCEMENT

Rabbi Michael Ribalt has been appointed by the RPRY Board of Governors as Head of School, starting in mid-July. Rabbi Ribalt is eager to join the warm environment for which RPRY is known, and to lead students as they grow spiritually, academically and emotionally into Jews with deep connections to Hashem, His Torah, and Klal Yisrael.

Rabbi Ribalt has been at the Yeshiva of Central Queens (YQC) since 2016, where he is Asst Principal of Judaic Studies, heading the elementary division grades 1-5, and focusing on curriculum planning in grades K-8. Among his accomplishments at YQC, Rabbi Ribalt increased the ruach in the school with weekly Lunch Ruach Programs, introduced exciting trips and programs, and instituted Shabbat table parsha contests. He also coached and mentored many faculty members and created a Kriah Dept focusing on constructing individualized experiences for students to improve their fluency and reading accuracy. Prior to working at YQC, Rabbi Ribalt was the Middle

**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

School Dir of Curriculum & Instruction and Educational Advancement & Technology at Manhattan Day School (MDS). He has also taught middle school and high school classes at SAR. At both MDS and SAR, Rabbi Ribalt worked to advance the respective yeshivot's use of educational technology.

Rabbi Ribalt grew up in Staten Island, NY, where he spent his formative years learning in the Yeshiva of Flatbush. He embraced the academic rigor for which the Yeshiva of Flatbush is known, and simultaneously ventured towards extra-curricular activities, specifically music and musical performance. Besides learning how to play both piano and guitar, Rabbi Ribalt began singing at an early age. Over the years he has had the opportunity to use his understanding of music to connect with his students and help them strengthen their connection with Hashem and His Torah.

Rabbi Ribalt is a graduate of Yeshiva University where he minored in general business. For three years he pursued advanced rabbinical studies at Yeshiva University and then earned semicha Yoreh Yoreh from Yeshiva Madreigas HaAdam under Rabbi Faskowitz. He holds an M.S. in Jewish Education from the Azrieli Graduate School. He has earned a certificate in Leadership & Administration from Yeshiva University and a certificate from Harvard's Principal Center in The Art of Leadership. He is currently pursuing his Ed.D. at Franklin University in Education, focusing on Educational Instructional Design and Leadership. Rabbi Ribalt lives in Clifton, NJ with his amazing wife, Rivka, and with their four beautiful children, Netanel, Noam, Moshe and Yehoshua.

#### **AA MISSION TO ISRAEL**

Yom Yerushalayim & Shavuot in Jerusalem: AA Mission May 25, 2022-June 7, 2022 \$5,070 per person based on double occupancy: (Price includes current airport taxes & airline fuel surcharge).

The Mission will include: round trip flight on El Al Israel Airlines, hotel in Jerusalem including Shabbat and Chag meals, two nights in Tel Aviv including two days of touring, a day of leisure on the coast in Tel Aviv, and one dinner in Tel Aviv restaurants. Optional day in Chevron at no additional cost.

If you have any questions, or to confirm the number of people in your party, please email: [aamission@arieltours.com](mailto:aamission@arieltours.com).

#### **PURIM COSTUME GEMACH**

We are happy to announce a return to our "normal" OE Purim Costume Gemach for the 15th year on:

Sunday, Feb 27th - 10am - 3pm  
Thursday, March 3rd - 6pm - 8pm  
Sunday, March 6th - 10am - 3pm

#### **TIFERES**

Adar DVD for women will be rescheduled. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as Shalom Bayis and parenting are available to Tiferes members. Current weekly teleconference: "The Heart of Chinuch"; Speaker: Mrs. Sara Aliza Scheinberg. For more info or to become a member, please contact Aviva at [siegelmom@gmail.com](mailto:siegelmom@gmail.com). The Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes is zecheh l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.

#### **RPRY CAMP KULANU**

RPRY is thinking about our Camp Kulanu sensation! Summer fun is just around the corner,

and we're planning for an amazing Camp Kulanu 2022!! REGISTER NOW for all THREE CAMPS - 2022! Any questions contact Camp Kulanu Dir Rebecca Bick at [rbick@rpry.org](mailto:rbick@rpry.org), or call (732) 572-5052. Looking forward to an awesome summer camp with your children!!

#### **CHOCOLATE CREATIONS**

Ahavas Achim Sisterhood presents Chocolate Creations on Tue, March 8 at 8m. Learn how to make beautiful chocolate creations in time for Purim! RSVP to Rachel at 732-247-0532 or secretary@ahavasachim.org.

#### **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)  
- Parsha class by Mrs. Miri Cohen: contact Leah at 917-763-1848 for time, location &/zoom link for shiur on Tuesday.  
- Rebbitzin Eichenstein's classes for women Contact Aviva Siegel at [siegelmom@gmail.com](mailto:siegelmom@gmail.com) for status of Sunday & Monday classes.

#### **ANNUAL CLOTHING GIVEAWAY**

The Annual Clothing Giveaway is back!!!! Come get new to you clothing for the whole family! Sun, March 6, 10-4. (Any questions or to donate clothing in excellent condition, please call or text Rivka Jaffe 732-762-0490 or Chaya Milgrum 908-812-5297)

#### **LEFKOVITS FAMILY PARK MIKVAH**

The Mikvah is appt only. All appts should be made via MikvahCloud.com or via MikvahCloud app Regular services, baths and showers, are offered. See mikvahcloud for mikvah hours. Face mask should be worn at the mikvah. All comments and questions, email [hpmikvah@gmail.com](mailto:hpmikvah@gmail.com)

#### **GEMACHS**

-Etz Ahaim has complete list of all area gemachs at <https://www.etzahaim.org/local-gemachs/>  
-The Lev L'Nefesh Hachnosas Kallah Centerpiece Gemach The Gemach has a beautiful array of centerpieces/vases/props to loan out for simchos. Call/text: (732) 570-9433 for appt.  
-Edison/HP gown Gmach! Large selection of children's, teen and adult gowns. Limited boys tux avail. Donations of gowns in excel condition (with sleeves and round collar) accepted. Text 5165260941 for info/appt. Leiluy mishmas Yitzchak Ben binyamin.  
-DIABETIC SUPPLIES GEMACH: Diabetic Supplies-Insulin, test strips, meters etc. for those who ran out/waiting for insurance approval or guests who left supplies at home. Text Deutsch family at 646-683-7394.

-Sheitl Gemach: Brayla Custom Wigs is also a sheitl gemach. Wigs of all conditions accepted. All welcome-any location drop off/pick up. [Renee@braylawigs.com](mailto:Renee@braylawigs.com) 908-208-5738. Edison, NJ - Diaper Gemach HP/Edison: Diapers, pullups, wipes needed Email [diapergemach@gmail.com](mailto:diapergemach@gmail.com).

-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.  
-Re-Pleat-Gemach of outfits for dressy occasions! Have something to donate? Have a special occasion and need something to wear? Open by appt only. Text 732-267-3216

OHR TORAH NEWSLETTER: Subscribe to Announcements, go to [www.ohrtorah.net](http://www.ohrtorah.net)  
E-MAIL LIST: Contact Gene Wasserman at [genew@compugene.com](mailto:genew@compugene.com)

**KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP:** To sponsor Kiddush or reserve Kiddush room contact Russell Adler or Elie Wiesel at [reservations@ohrtorah.net](mailto: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](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 of all types are available contact Barry Siegel [siegeldad@gmail.com](mailto:siegeldad@gmail.com).

**HOUSEKEEPING:** Housekeeping issues and inquiries contact Lou Smith [ludēju@gmail.com](mailto:ludēju@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)

**YAHRZEIT DATABASE:** To register a family member in Yahrzeit database, go to [ohrtorah.net](http://ohrtorah.net), click Members tab, then click "Register for OT Yahrzeit Notification" or speak with Ralph Dessau or Gene Wasserman.

**LOCAL ERUV:** Find out status of the eruv by:

**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).

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

**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

#### **Parshas Pekudei**

Candlelighting:	5:34 PM
Mincha:	5:40 PM

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