



# Congregation Ohr Torah

## Weekly Announcements

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban – Rabbi

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Parshat Tazria / HaChodesh/Rosh Chodesh

1 Nissan 5782

April 2, 2022

**Candlelighting: 7:04 PM**

**Mincha/Kabolas Shabbos: 6:45 PM**  
(Carlebach in Social Hall), 7:10 PM (Main Shul).

**Shacharis:**  
7:45 (Social Hall), 9:00 AM (Main Shul),  
9:15 (YFM), 9:30 AM (Teen Minyan, RPRY)

Hashkama speaker: Ira Krumholtz  
Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR'A) 9:50 AM

Rabbi Luban's Gemara Beitzah Shiur  
IN BEIS MEDRASH – 5:55 PM

**Mincha (Main Shul): 1:45, & 6:45 PM**

NOTE EARLIER TIME TO ACCOMMODATE  
SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE

Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Rabbi Judah Mischel

**Maariv: 8:10 PM**

**Shabbos Ends: 8:13 PM**

**Weekday Shacharis**

**Sun. 7:15, 8 & 9 AM**

Rabbi Akiva Sauer's Shiur on Daf Yomi Be'iyun  
After 7:15 Shacharis

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

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

**Early Mincha-Sunday 1:45 PM**

**Daily Mincha/ Maariv 7:15 PM**

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

**Late Maariv: 10:10 PM**

**DAF YOMI SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK:**

Friday night – After Maariv

Shabbos – 1 hour before Mincha

Sunday - after 8 AM Shacharis;

Monday-Thursdays - after Zman Maariv

### **CARLEBACH MINYAN**

There will be an inspiring Carlebach Davening in the social hall this Friday night. Mincha will begin at 6:45pm (early Shabbos). Davening will be led by our own Srulee Hercman.

### **HASHKAMA KIDDUSH**

Hashkama Kaddush is sponsored by Moshe & Susan Wiesel to commemorate the Yahrzeit of Susan's sister Sara Basha Bas Yitzchak A"H.

### **KIDDUSH**

Kiddush is sponsored by Ricki and Moish Nat to commemorate the Yahrzeit of Ricki's father, Shmuel Dovid Ben Moshe Halevi A"H, and in honor of the birth of a new great grandson Yechezkeil Noach Chaim.

### **SHALOSH SEUDOS**

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Penny and Michael Kaplan to commemorate the Yahrzeit of Michael's father Baruch Leib ben Yaakov Yisochoir A"H

### **DONATION OPPORTUNITY**

The Shul needs to add/replace 100 chairs for our Social Hall. We are looking for donations to sponsor these chairs. Cost is \$36/chair, 3 chairs for \$100. Please email [robkreitman@gmail.com](mailto:robkreitman@gmail.com) and copy [kiddydent1@gmail.com](mailto:kiddydent1@gmail.com).

### **MAZEL TOV**

...to Shayna and Craig Prupis on the birth of a daughter to their children, Hinda and Tzvi Friedman of Jackson, NJ .

...to Harriet and Joel Gersten on the birth of a great grandson. Mazel Tov to the parents Dovid and Hadassah Gersten of Lakewood, to the grandparents Rabbi Shmuel Mordechai and Esther Gersten of Lakewood, and to the Gersten, Banner, Piekarz, Dessau and Allen families.

... to Karen & Yoel Schwartz on the engagement of their son Arie to Tammy Brill of Wembley, England/Giv'at Ze'ev, Israel. Mazel Tov to Tammy's parents, Ahuva & Michael Brill, Arie's grandparents - Diane & Maurice Kessler and Irving Schwartz, and to Arie's siblings Josh & Ariella, Naama, and Adina.

...to Aviva and Barry Siegel on the engagement of their son, Yaakov to Raizy Farkas of Edison. Mazel Tov to Raizy's parents, Dr. Aryeh and Cheryl Farkas, to Yaakov's grandmothers, Lil Mazer and Evelyn Rindner and to all of Yaakov's siblings.

### **MAOS CHITIM /SELLING CHAMETZ**

Rabbi Luban is collecting for Maos Chitim. Please make checks out to Congregation Ohr Torah and put Maos Chitim on the "For" line. He will also be available for selling Chametz.

### **SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE**

#### **THIS SHABBOS**

We are excited to welcome Reb Judah Mischel this Shabbos (4/1-2) to Ohr Torah. With an inspiring Oneg with Reb Judah on Friday night (9:30pm at the Klerer home, 16 Celler Road), a Derasha at the YFM before Leining and in the main Minyan (after davening at approximately 11am), a women's Shiur (5:45 main sanctuary), and a family style Shalosh Seudos with Reb Judah this will be a Shabbos to remember! Rav Judah Mischel is Executive Director of Camp HASC, the Hebrew Academy for Special Children. He is the Mashpia of OU-NCSY, founder of Tzama Nafshi and the author of newly published Baderech: Along the Path of Teshuva (Mosaica Press, Elul 5781). Rav Judah lives in Ramat Beit Shemesh with his wife Ora and their family. We thank the Avraham, Broder, Kaye, and Tobias families for generously sponsoring Shabbos.

### **THE FRUIT TREE BRACHA**

The annual Bracha made upon first seeing a flowering fruit tree is posted in front of the

ornamental plum tree on the Fairhill side of 401 North Eighth Ave.

### **CONDOLENCES**

It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of our beloved long-time member and friend Denise Hametz, Dina bas Yisrael A"H.

Beloved wife of Dr. Irwin Hametz, beloved mother of Tova, Isaac and Rabbi Tzvi. May you be comforted amongst the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

### **MOTZEI SHABBOS CHIZUK FOR COLLEGE GIRLS**

All college girls are invited for words of Chizuk with Rabbi Malitzky at 9:30pm on Motzei Shabbos at the Klerer home (16 Celler Road)

### **HAGGADA HIGHLIGHTS**

Be armed with interesting and engaging Divrei Torah for the Seder! All men and women are invited at 8:45am (after the 8am Minyan) on Sunday morning (4/10) to learn Torah thoughts on the Seder with Rabbi Malitzky.

### **THIS SUNDAY AT 8PM – IN IT TOGETHER**

Rabbi Yosef Shapiro has shared the personal struggle that he and his wife went through on their path to parenthood. His recently published book is a powerful story that offers information, hope, and encouragement for those on similar journeys. He also offers practical tips for those who know someone dealing with this struggle to be able to feel like they're offering support and truly helping. This talk will open people's eyes up to what is really going on within the world of infertility, which will hopefully increase awareness and sensitivity about this struggle that permeates the Jewish world. Be ready to cry during moments of pain, laugh during moments of joy, and experience the whirlwind of emotion that is present during infertility.

Rabbi Yosef Shapiro grew up in Baltimore and learned in different yeshivas, while also completing his MBA in investment banking. He received Smicha from the Jerusalem Kollel under the leadership of R' Yitzchok Berkovits and now is the Senior Rabbi of the Brookhaven Kollel, a Kiruv/outreach community that he and his wife, Rookie, started from scratch that now services hundreds of young Jews.

### **BAT MITZVAH PROJECT**

In honor of my bat mitzvah, I am collecting kosher food for the JFS Kosher Food Pantry. I would be so grateful if you would

**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.**

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join me in supporting their efforts. Please drop off donations to 39 Edgemount Rd, Edison from now until Tuesday 4/5. Please make sure items are KOSHER, SEALED, UNEXPIRED, & NON-PERISHABLE. (no glass containers) Items the food pantry needs most: Juice, Rice, Tuna, Pasta, Tomato sauce (canned not glass), Jelly/Jam, Peanut Butter, Canned Beans, Canned Fruit, Canned Vegetables, Hot & Cold Cereal, Milk (shelf-stable). Thank you, Yael Welner

**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
**TIKVA CHILDREN'S HOME**

For 20+ years I have been privileged to sit on the Board of Tikva, a Jewish orphanage located in Odessa, Ukraine. I have traveled to Odessa over a dozen times, witnessing firsthand the awe-inspiring work of Tikva that cares for homeless, abandoned and abused Jewish children in Odessa.

I am pleased to announce that Congregation Ohr Torah (OT) has chosen to join the Shuls for Ukrainian Jewry campaign – working in conjunction with communities around North America, the OU, RCA, and National Council of Young Israel – to raise much needed funds for Tikva Odessa Children's Home.

We are engaged in an emergency fundraiser to cover everything from:

- Food and Basic Supplies (e.g., medications, emergency equipment – batteries, candles, torches, sleeping bags, etc.)
- Backup Communications (e.g., two way radios and satellite phones)
- Medical Equipment (e.g., defibrillators, first aid kits)
- Refrigerated Truck to keep meat and dairy supplies mobile generators An International Security Firm of private contractors to guide evacuations and offer physical security and support services on the ground

Any help that can be offered would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be made on the website <https://upreaching.com/ou/congregation-ohr-torah-of-edison> or directly on the Tikva website <https://www.tikvaodessa.org/donate/>. Please feel free to contact me directly regarding ANY questions. -Thank you, Effy Zinkin

**PRE-PESACH HAT SALE**

Congregation Ohav Emeth will be having a Pre-Pesach Pop-Up Hat Sale with Hedy's Hats. Monday April 4 from 7:30-10PM. Come select from designer hats and accessories at discounted prices: hats, fascinators, berets, soft hats, scarves...and more!

**SHATZER MATZAH SHMURAH**

As requested Rabbi Shimoni is again as a service to the community selling Shatzer Matzah Shmurah. Charge is \$35 per lb for regular or whole wheat. Send orders to [matzahshmurah22@gmail.com](mailto:matzahshmurah22@gmail.com) or call 732-846-0097. Oat, spelt, and extra thin also available. Call for more info. Pickup will be by appt at 320 Raritan Ave, Suite 303A (Petmar bldg)

**LARGE PRINT HAGGADOT**

For over 90 years, the JBI Library has enabled visually impaired people all over the world to participate in the most treasured of Jewish rituals, the Passover Seder, by providing FREE Large Print Haggadot. If you or someone you know needs a Large Print Haggadah this year, please call JBI toll-free 1-800-999-6476 before April 4 and they will be happy to send you a Large Print Haggadah, completely free of charge. Enjoy the Seder! JBI is the largest library of Jewish interest in the world for the visually impaired with over 13,000

Talking Book titles. All JBI services are free to the user and are delivered to the individual at his/her home. If you have any questions or need any more information don't hesitate to contact me at 1-800-433-1531 ext. 127. Thanks again...

!חג פורים שמח! Arlene Porath-Arfe JBI Librarian

**EMPLOYMENT NETWORK OF RARITAN VALLEY**

Looking for work? We can help. Email Bob Lansey at [ENRVInfo@gmail.com](mailto: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 email the info to [ENRVInfo@gmail.com](mailto:ENRVInfo@gmail.com).

**RUTGERS HILLEL ANNUAL GALA**

The Rutgers Hillel Annual Gala takes place at the Eva and Arie Halpern Hillel House, 70 College Ave, New Brunswick, Mon, April 11. Lavish dinner: 6pm. Program: 7:45 pm. For registration, visit: <https://rutgershillel.org/gala2022>. Questions- Barbara Cohen at [barbaric@rutgershillel.org](mailto:barbaric@rutgershillel.org) or 973- 943-6005.

**NORPAC VIRTUAL MISSION 2022**

We are eager to make this a strong year for Israel advocacy during our Virtual Mission to Washington during the week of May 9-12. We count on your participation to make the case to over 90% of Congress about supporting continued military assistance to Israel, curtailing Iranian nuclear ambitions and terror sponsorship, fighting back against the de-legitimization of Israel, and many other important topics. Join NORPAC Members for our week-long Virtual Event. Choose one or more days and various time slots throughout the day that are convenient for you to meet via zoom in groups with Members of Congress and their staff to advocate on the most pressing US-Israel issues. Register by membership in NORPAC via [norpac.net](http://norpac.net) [Avi@norpac.net](mailto:Avi@norpac.net) or call 2017885133. See Marc Hanfling for more info.

**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!!

**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.com](http://mikvahcloud.com) for mikvah hours. Face mask should be worn at the mikvah. All comments and questions, email [hpmikvah@gmail.com](mailto:hpmikvah@gmail.com)

**FOR WOMEN**

Rebbitzin Eichenstein's classes for women: Please contact Aviva Siegel at [siegelmom@gmail.com](mailto:siegelmom@gmail.com) for status of Sunday and Monday classes.

-TIFERES: Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are available to Tiferes members. Current weekly teleconference: "Free to Be Me: An exploration of true freedom" with Mrs. Rochel Goldbaum. 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 zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom.

-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](mailto:womenslearninginitiative@gmail.com) - Parsha class by Mrs. Miri Cohen: Please contact Leah at 917-763-1848 for time, location &/zoom link for shiur on Tuesday.

**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 tax 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, needles etc. for those who ran out/waiting for insurance approval or guests who left supplies at home. Text Deutsch family at 646-683-7394.

-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 are paused pending new initiatives

**HOUSEKEEPING:** Housekeeping issues and inquiries contact Lou Smith [ludeeju@gmail.com](mailto:ludeeju@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\\_erv](https://twitter.com/hp_erv) 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 Metzora Haggadol**

Candlelighting:	7:11 PM
Mincha:	7:20 PM

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