



# Congregation Ohr Torah

## Weekly Announcements

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban - Rabbi

Robert Kreitman - President

Rabbi Sarel Malitzky - Assistant Rabbi

Parashat Ki Tavo

21 Elul 5782

September 17, 2022

**Candlelighting:** 6:46 PM  
**Mincha/Kabolas Shabbos:** 6:55 PM (Main Shul).

**Shacharis :**

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

*Hashkama Speaker: Rabbi Benjy Kramer*  
*Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A) 9:46 AM*

*Rabbi Luban's Gemara Beitza Shiur 5:45 PM*  
**Mincha (Main Shul): 1:45 & 6:35 PM**

*Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Mitch Rottenstreich*

**Maariv: 7:50 PM**

**Shabbos Ends: 7:53 PM**

**First Selichos:**

**12:50 (Main Shul) and 7:30 AM (Social Hall)**

**Sunday Shacharis: 7:15, 8 & 9 AM**

*Rabbi Sauer's Shiur on Daf Yomi Be'iyun cancelled until after the Yamim Tovim*

**Weekday Selichos/ Shacharis:**

**Mon. & Thu:**

**5:55 (Main), 6:40 (SH), & 7:35 AM (Main)**

**Tues., Wed. & Fri.**

**6:05 (Main), 6:45(SH), & 7:35 AM (Main)**

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

**Weekday Mincha/ Maariv 6:40 PM**

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

**Late Maariv: 10:10 PM**

**Daf Yomi Schedule**

Monday-Thursday after Z'man Maariv

Friday - after Kabbalas Shabbos

Shabbos- one hour before Z'man Mincha

Sunday- after 8AM Shacharis

**KIDDUSH**

Kiddush is sponsored by Lori and Leslie Ney to commemorate the Yahrzeit of Lori's mother, Klara Katz, Kransha bas Shimon Chayim, and to celebrate the first birthday of her great granddaughter Clara Avigail Rubenstein, who is named after her.

**SHALOSH SEUDOS**

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Esther and Michael Reiss in commemoration of the Yahrzeit of Michael's father, Menachem Mendel Ben Yom Tov Lipa, and Esther's father, Naphtali Ben Aaron HaCohen.

**YOMIM NORAIM SEATING REGISTRY -**

**FINAL**

The complete list of Members/Families who reserved seats is now posted in the back of the Shul. Corrections should be made to anyone on the Seating Committee of: David Waizer, Arthur Atlas, Jesse Mintz or Srullee Hercman. Financial issues can be brought to Brian Allen.

**PRUZBUL**

For the next two Sunday mornings, after each of the three Minyanim of Shacharis, Rabbi Luban will be available to execute a Pruzbul which protects loans from being canceled at the end of the Shmitah year, this Rosh Hashana.

**MAZEL TOV**

...to Esther and Michael Reiss on the marriage this past week of Chaim and Sarah Reiss. Mazel Tov to Chaim's brother, Mendel, and the Poborets and Katsman families.

...to Harriet and Joel Gersten on the engagement of their grandson, Shimshon Raphael Gersten, of Lakewood to Tehila Stein of Brooklyn NY.

Mazel Tov to Shimshon Raphael's parents, Morty and Esther Gersten, and to the entire Allen, Banner, Dessau and Gersten families.

...to Nitza and Russell Adler on the birth of a daughter to their children, Yair and Rivka. Special Mazel Tov to grandparents, Kalman and Tova Shiloni, and aunts and uncles, Shoshana and Jordan Kaplan, Rafi and Sarah, Ariel and Ratzel and Adina and all the cousins.

...to Ruth & Marc Kalton, Aliza & Alex Markovich and their entire family on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Ezra Markovich this Shabbos in Hollywood, FL.

...to Rebecca and Israel Rivkin (Jerusalem) on the birth in the USA of Yael Miriam to their grandchildren Elana and Ezra Kwestel. Mazel Tov to the grandparents Rena (Rivkin) and Mark Kwestel.

**ANNUAL I. DAVID AND MIRIAM GOLDSTEIN TESHUVA LECTURE**

This year's annual I. David and Miriam Goldstein Teshuva Lecture will take place at Congregation Ohr Torah this Sunday, September 18th at 8PM. The featured speaker is Rabbi David Ashear, author of the well-known "Living Emunah" series published by Artscroll and a highly sought-after inspirational speaker in the Syrian-Sephardic community. The topic of Rabbi Ashear's lecture is: Preparing for the Awesome Days Ahead with the Light of Emunah. In preparation for the Yomim Noraim please join us for an inspiring evening. Donations to help Yad Eliezer feed Israel's poor should be made out to American Friends of Yad Eliezer and mailed to Rifky & Jack Atkin, 16 Hamlin Road, Edison, NJ 08817

**YOUTH DEPARTMENT NEWS**

We are proud to introduce our new and returning group leaders for 2022-23.

Tots (2-5 yrs old): Yardena Goldman & Maya Jurkevich

K-1st grade boys and girls: Amalia Waizer

2-4th grade boys: Joseph Goldberg, Sammy Klein, and Simcha Winder

2-4th grade girls: Miri Ginsberg & Renee Katz

5-6th grade bs: Ezra Shmuel

5-8th grade girls: Tali Menasha

Let's partner together to grow and enhance our Shabbat youth programing! Please encourage your children to come to Shul and attend groups. Any questions or feedback please email [Otyouthcommittee@gmail.com](mailto:Otyouthcommittee@gmail.com)

**SELICHOS**

Join us at 12:50 AM on Motzai Shabbos for a meaningful Selichos Davening with our amazing Chazan, Yitz Henkin!

**THURSDAY NIGHT LIVE**

All men and women are encouraged to join Rabbi Malitzky for an interesting, engaging, and inspiring Shiur at 9:15pm in the social hall on Thursday night (9/22). The Shiur on Tashlich will transform your Tashlich and your whole Rosh Hashana!

Please contact [sarel.malitzky@gmail.com](mailto:sarel.malitzky@gmail.com) if you are interested in sponsoring the shiur.

**LARGE PRINT MACHZORIM**

Ohr Torah has a limited number of Artscroll Large Print Hebrew/English Rosh Hashana or Yom Kippur Machzorim that are available for members (limit 1 per family) If you would like to reserve one, Please contact David Dessau @ [rddessau613@hotmail.com](mailto:rddessau613@hotmail.com)

**LUNCH & LEARN PROGRAM**

Save the Date! Our next Lunch & Learn Program is being planned for Tue-Nov 1st. starting at Noon. Inquiries and Volunteer D'var Torah Speakers and Helpers contact: Aliyana Wasserman - (New) Program Dir [aliyana.wasserman@gmail.com](mailto:aliyana.wasserman@gmail.com) 732-310-3410 text messages accepted

**SHUL SECURITY**

As we approach the Yamim Nora'im we thought it would be an opportune time to update the membership on the steps we are taking to secure our members and our building.

The Security Committee, led by Marc Hanfling and Jonathan Teitelbaum (and including Leslie Ney, Matt Holland, Keith Peckman, Yoel Schwartz, Cliff Lacy and Roseanne Koenigson), met last Thursday night with myself and Rabbi Malitzky (Rabbi Luban had a conflict) to review and strengthen our security procedures and safety measures. I am happy to report that we will once again have an armed guard for the Yamim Nora'im. Further, we decided to have, as we have had in previous years prior to Covid, at least one member at all times outside during tefillah on Yamim Nora'im who is familiar with our membership and who can more easily spot a potentially dangerous person who does not belong. We are creating half hour slots per volunteer per day but require your participation. The safety

**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

of our shul is extremely important and cannot be accomplished without your help. We urge you to volunteer 30 minutes of your time to further protect our family and friends. Please volunteer by signing up at <https://www.ohrtorah.net/security>. Second, the Security Committee and House Committee have been working diligently to implement the measures approved pursuant to our \$200,000 of combined Federal and State security grants. All of our proposed upgrades are expected to be completed by the first calendar quarter of 2023. The Security Committee also intends to schedule safety and fire drills in the shul during 2023 and beyond.

Third, the costs for securing our shul have grown substantially over the years and now roughly represent a \$25,000 annual cost (which is expected to grow further in coming years). Consistent with dozens of shuls in the tri-state area and beyond, the Board on this past Wednesday night voted to create an annual membership security fee for (A) full members at \$100 per couple and \$50 per single member and (B) \$25 per each associate member couple or \$12.50 per single member, to defray this expense, beginning 2023. The Board might have considered also raising the shul dues (which increase has not occurred in 14 years) but in light of the current economic environment such discussion was delayed until 2024. We wish you all a Shana tova u'metuka, a year filled with health, happiness, prosperity and safety.

*Robert Kreitman*

President

*Marc Hanfling, Jonathan Teitelbaum*

Co-Chairs, OT Security Committee

### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **LULAV & ESROG ORDERING**

When ordering from below, please mention Ohr Torah and OT will receive a donation for each sale.

-Barry Siegel & Family [siegeldad@gmail.com](mailto:siegeldad@gmail.com), 732-572-4408

-Rabbi Shimon, [hjudaica@gmail.com](mailto:hjudaica@gmail.com) 732- 846-0097

Please see the flyers for additional info. All checks for Lulavim and Esrogim must be made out to the appropriate vendor and NOT Cong. Ohr Torah.

#### **KHAL CHASIDIM**

Khal Chassidim new 9am Minyan, Mon through Fri. To be added to the what's app group, call Sam Kramer 267 940-7265

#### **DOLLAR-A DAY RARITAN VALLEY**

HELPING OTHERS EVERY DAY - Giving charity should be an everyday activity. Dollar-a-Day of Raritan Valley makes the Mitzvah easy and attainable. Dollar-a-Day of Raritan Valley will make this daily mitzvah accessible to every member of our community and beyond. Beneficiaries, including local Orthodox Shuls, Schools, Mikvaot, and Chesed organizations, will receive continual portions of the collected contributions made to Dollar-a-Day of Raritan Valley. Go to

[www.dadrv.org](http://www.dadrv.org) to sign up. Dollar-a-Day of Raritan Valley is a registered 501(c)(3) charitable organization. Tax ID 86-2261297. Info/contact, email [admin@dadrv.com](mailto:admin@dadrv.com)

#### **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)

#### **FOR WOMEN**

TIFERES Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayis and parenting are available to Tiferes members. 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 info to [womenslearninginitiative@gmail.com](mailto:womenslearninginitiative@gmail.com)

-Rebbitzen Eichenstein's classes for women: Rebbitzen Eichenstein will be having class on Sunday Sept 18th 10am at the Agudah Parsha class Monday, Sept 19th at 8PM at OT Info Ricki at [rickistern@gmail.com](mailto:rickistern@gmail.com) or 732-828-6939 (landline)

- Parsha class by Mrs. Miri Cohen: Contact Leah at 917-763-1848 for time, location &/zoom link for Tuesday Shiur

#### **GEMACHS**

-FORMULA GEMACH: Due to the current formula shortage, a temporary formula gmach opened in Edison/HP. How you can help us: -Donate Formula: Unused/unopened cans only

-Keep us in mind when shopping: We post what formula we need on community chats. If you find, please text us-you will be reimbursed! How we can help you: -we have some stock: text us to see if we have your formula

-Let us know what type you need: we will try to find it. If we do, you'll need to reimburse the gemach. Text at: 732-986-3153

-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.

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

-MEZUZOS-L'iluy nishmas Faiga Gitel bas Binyamin Zev HaKohen. Contact Lasar Family (732) 985-1050.

-DIABETIC SUPPLIES GEMACH: Diabetic Supplies-Insulin, test strips, meters etc. for those who ran out/waiting for insurance approval or guests w/o supplies 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 If you-or someone you know-need 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.

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 [ludeju@gmail.com](mailto:ludeju@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 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

#### **Parshat Nitzavim**

Candlelighting:	6:35 PM
Mincha:	6:45 PM

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