



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parashat Vayetzte

9 Kislev 5783

December 3, 2022

Candlelighting: 4:13 PM
Mincha/Kabbolas Shabbos: 4:20 PM

Shacharis:

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

Hashkama Speaker: Rabbi Luban
Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A) 9:25 AM

Rabbi Luban's Gemara Beitza Shiur 3:15 pm

Mincha (Main Shul): 1:45 & 4:05 PM

Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Rabbi Rich
Scholar in Residence

Maariv: 5:20 PM
Shabbos Ends: 5:21 PM

Weekday Shacharis

Sunday 7:15, 8 & 9 AM
Rabbi Sauer's Shiur on Daf Yomi Be'iyun after 7:15
Minyan

Mon. & Thurs. 6:20, 7:05 & 8 AM
Tues., Wed. & Fri. 6:30, 7:10 & 8 AM

Early Mincha-Sunday 1:00 PM

Weekday Mincha/Maariv 4:20 PM

Vesain Tal Umatar starts on Sunday night at
Maariv

Late Maariv: 7:30 & 10:10 PM
No 7:30 Maariv on Sundays

Daf Yomi Schedule

Mon-Thurs-after 7:30 Maariv
Friday -after Kabbolas Shabbos & Maariv
Shabbos-45 minutes before Mincha
Sunday-after 8 AM Shacharis

HASHKAMA KIDDUSH

Hashkama Kiddush this week is sponsored by
Tamar and JJ Brandler in honor of the Bar
Mitzvah of their son Elisha.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush is being co-sponsored by:
-Mira and Mark Epstein in commemoration of
the Yahrzeit of Mark's mother, Celia Epstein,
Tzippa Hana bas R' Moshe Mayer Z"L.
-Mimi and Charlie Gershbaum in memory of
Charlie's father Dr. Joseph Gershbaum Z"L.
-Tmima and Simcha Klerer in
commemoration of the Yahrzeit of Simcha's
mother, Hinda bas Mordechai Z"L
-Helen and Benjy Kramer in honor of the
Aufruf and the forthcoming marriage of their
son, Netanel, to Alexa Edelstein, daughter of
Michelle and Jerome Edelstein of Toronto.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Shoshana
and Brian Allen on the occasion of the
Shabbat Sheva Brachot this week of their
children Gila and Oshi Bloom.

TUESDAY NIGHT TEHILLIM

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

MAZEL TOV

...to Rabbi and Rebbetzin Luban on the
engagement of Binyamin Simcha to Shira
Cohen of Minneapolis
...to Rebecca and Israel Rivkin, of Jerusalem,
on the marriage this past week of their
grandson, Gilad Kestenbaum, of Ra'anana, to
Noa Goldrich, of Hashmonaim.
Mazel Tov to Gilad's parents, Tova (Rivkin)
and David Kestenbaum.

...to Tamar and JJ Brandler on the Bar
Mitzvah of their son Elisha this Shabbos.
Mazel Tov to the siblings, aunts and uncles,
cousins, and to the grandparents Barbara
and Jerry Belsh, and Estelle and Joe
Brandler.

...to Shoshana and Brian Allen on the
occasion of the Shabbat Sheva Brachot this
week of their children Gila and Oshi Bloom.
Mazel tov to Oshi's parents Rabbi Daniel and
Ali Bloom, to Gila and Oshi's siblings,
grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins who
are all here to celebrate in the Simcha.
...to Helen and Benjy Kramer on the Aufruf
of their son Netanel and for his forthcoming
marriage to Alexa Edelstein of Toronto.
Mazel tov to Alexa's parents Michelle and
Jerome Edelstein.

...to Tmima and Symcha Klerer on the
engagement of their grandson Gavriel Smith
(of Teaneck, NJ) to Kira Rapaport (of
Woodmere, NY). Mazel Tov to Gavi's parents
Toby and Stuart Smith; to Kira's parents
Estee Rapaport and Misha Rapaport; to
Gavi's and Kira's siblings and to all the aunts,
uncles and cousins as well as to the
extended Smith, Rapaport and Klerer
families.

CHANUKAH WOMEN'S LEARN & CONNECT EVENT

An exciting 2-part women's learning program
(as part of a series) is coming to OT in
December, entitled Cooking & Kashrus! This
is the first round of the program that
received the OU Women's Initiative
Challenge Grant 2022! It is designed to
inspire women to learn, gain skills, connect
and grow!

PART 1- Latke lessons, Cooking Demo &
Tutorial with Sylvia Fallas
Motzei Shabbat, 12/10 8:00-9:30 PM
RSVP REQUIRED to mekorfitness@gmail.com
PART 2- Power & Purpose- A Chanukah
Halacha Exploration with Rabbi Luban &
Rabbi Malitzky
Wednesday, 12/14 8:00-9:15 PM
Both Programs will take place in the Social
Hall of Congregation Ohr Torah.

SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE – DEC. 2-3

Scholar in Residence Shabbos December 2-3
Congregation Ohr Torah is excited to host
Rabbi Nossan Rich as Scholar in Residence.
The full schedule with many amazing
learning opportunities will be shared
shortly. Please contact Mitchell Rottenstreich
at mrottenstreich@gmail.com for
sponsorship opportunities.

The schedule for Shabbos is as follows:

- **Friday night Oneg:** At 8pm the home of
Jeff and Rena Klein, 14 Harrison St.
- **Shabbos morning Derasha** (after Mussaf
at Aproximately 10:45am). Rabbi Rich
will speak on "Hakaras Hatov: From The
Past To The Future".
- **Between Mincha and Maariv** (after a
quick Shalosh Seudos) in the main shul:
"But It's Hard, But it Hurts, But it's So
Far. How Far Must We Go To Do
Mitzvos".

We thank Avi & Estee Fogel for helping
sponsor the weekend with Rabbi Rich.
Upon receiving ordination from RIETS, he
continued his studies there in the Rabbi
Jacob Kupietzky Memorial Program for the
Study of Kodshim. He taught in TABC for
four years before making aliya with his
family to Ramat Beit Shemesh and teaching
at Yeshivat Torat Shraga. Rabbi Rich is well
known for his in-depth shiurim as well as his
popular Halacha Shiurim given in the
community and found on YUTorah.org.

CONDOLENCES

We are saddened to inform you of the
passing of Iola Caplan, mother of Hannah,
Benjy, Josh and Jonathan Caplan.
Shiva/Davening Times Fri- Wed 12/2-12/7
Location: Home of Jonathan and Lori Caplan,
25 Olden Rd., Edison
Shacharit: 7:45AM Fri, Mon, Tues, Wed;
8:00 Sun, Mincha/Maariv: 4:20PM
Shiva Times:
Fri: Until noon, Sat. Night: 6:30 pm - 10:30
pm, Sun: 8:30 am - 12 pm; 2 - 5 pm; 7 - 10
pm, Mon-Tues: 10 am - 12 pm; 3 - 6 pm;
7:30 - 10 pm.
May you be comforted amongst the
mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

OHR TORAH YOUTH DEPARTMENT DECEMBER EVENTS; CHODESH KISLEV WILL NEVER BE THE SAME!

Thank you to all who signed up for the Knicks
game Sunday 12/4. This event is now closed.
A flyer will be sent out shortly for the Meet the
Sofer event taking place on 12/11 starting at
10am. Please click on the link and let us know

**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

who will be joining us for this educational, informative and fun complimentary event. -On Dec 11th at 10am until 11:30am at Ohr Torah children of all ages have a unique opportunity to Meet the Sofer. Rabbi Rephael Hirsch, a Sofer STaM from North Jersey will explain all the important work that a Sofer does. Guess what the S, T and M stand for? This will be a multimedia presentation and the Sofer will show just how he writes the words on a Klaf using a Kulmus. This is open to children all ages and parents. This event is complimentary to attend.

-And lastly on Dec 18th at 11:30am until 2:15pm will be Ohr Torah's Grand Chanukah Celebration and Children's Chinese Auction. Children, parents & grandparents are all invited. Included is a dairy buffet and lots of entertainment such as face painters, balloon artists and a magic show plus fun, games and giveaways from the Jeff Wilks orchestra. In addition, children will have the opportunity to decorate their own Chanukah donut (frosting and sprinkles provided) and there will be a children's Chinese auction with amazing prizes. Cost is \$18 a person or \$50 per family. Sponsorships of \$72 and \$100 are available. Flyers with links for sign-up are being prepared and will be available soon. Any other questions? Contact Mayer Berg at marcberg@gmail.com.

OHR TORAH ANNUAL YOUTH RAFFLE
Please help support Ohr Torah's youth programs by purchasing raffle ticket(s). The cost of the tickets is one for \$36, two for \$70, or 3 for \$100.

The drawing will be held at the Chanukah youth event on 12/18/2023
1'st Prize \$1000, 2'nd prize \$400, 3'rd prize \$300

Please contact Barry Siegel, Mayer Berg, Gavi Berkovits, Leah Epshteyn or Ami Avraham to purchase tickets. All proceeds support the OT Youth programs.

LUNCH AND LEARN

The Lunch & Learn Team is excited to see our guests for another enjoyable event Dec 20th for a Special Surprise Chanukah Celebration! The delicious luncheon will include Latkes and Sufganiyot AND there will be Chanukah Games, Prizes and a very interesting short film "Chanukah Isn't a Holiday" Huh??? Reservations for Lunch & Learn must now be pre-paid so we have enough money to pay for the food we order according to the number of reservations. The fee is \$12 pp. Register and Pay online at <https://www.ohrtorah.net/lunch> Or checks can be made out to Cong Ohr Torah and mailed to Aliyana Wasserman at 400 N 8th Ave, Edison NJ 08817 or hand delivered and slipped through the mail-slot at her front door. All Dec 20th reservations must be deposited no later than midnight Dec 17th Your reservations will be your tickets and checked at the door.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS **CONGREGATION AHAVAS YISRAEL**

GUEST SPEAKER

Dr. Norman Blumenthal, Dir of Trauma Services, Ohel Zachter Family National Trauma Center, will speak Motzei Shabbos, Dec. 10th at 8PM at Congregation Ahavas Yisrael. Topic: Is There a Mental Health Crisis? What Can We Do?

HP/EDISON ORTHODOX FORUM

Through the Prism of Law and Narrative: Yibbum, Chalitzah and the Biblical Woman The Orthodox Forum of Edison/HP presents Dean Rachel Friedman, Founder of Lamdeinu, Sat, Dec 17, 8pm at Cong Ahavas Achim. Dean Rachel Friedman will talk about the experience of levirate marriage in the stories of Judah and Tamar, in the legal section of Devarim 25 and, finally, in Megillat Ruth. A noted teacher, author and lecturer in the areas of Bible and Jewish liturgy, Dean Rachel Friedman is the Founder of Lamdeinu, the center for Jewish learning in Teaneck, New Jersey.. This event is free of charge and viewable in person and live on zoom at: <https://tinyurl.com/38fr69x4> . For more info go to www.orthodoxjewishforum.org

TOMCHEI SHABBOS BENEFIT CONCERT

Tomchei Shabbos of Middlesex County Presents Moshav Band and Noah Solomon of Soulfarm Motzei Shabbos, 8 PM Dec 31 at Chabad of Rutgers (170 College Ave, New Brunswick, NJ 08901). Tickets: www.tomcheimc.org
Info: tomcheimc@gmail.com.

CHABAD HOUSE 44TH NATIONAL FOUNDERS ANNIVERSARY DINNER

DEC 6TH at the Grand Ballroom Chabad Houe 170 College Ave New Brunswick NJ Valet Parking
For dinner reservation or journal ads call 732-296-1800 or dinner@chabadnj.org

AA SHABBAT OF ENHANCING OUR RELATIONSHIPS

Ahavas Achim proudly presents a Shabbat of Enhancing Our Relationships featuring Dr. Norman Blumenthal on Dec 9-10 at the shul.

-7:30pm. *Friday Night Dessert Reception*: Not Standing Still: Navigating the Empty Nest (Sponsorships welcome)

-*Shabbat lecture after Main Minyan*

Mussaf: Uniting Generations of Congregants: Thinking Beyond the Inner Circle -4:20pm. *During Seudah Shlishit*: Sandwiched: Managing the Relationships in Our Lives (Mincha 4pm.) This event is open to the community. Please join us.

BRIDGE TURKISH AND MEDITERRANEAN GRILL

PROUDLY HOSTs Yigal Dilmoni CEO, Yesha Council: The Jewish Communities of Judea, Samaria & Gush Katif DEC 8, AT 8PM BRIDGE TURKISH GRILL 315 RARITAN AVE HP 732 418- on THE CHALLENGES FACING THE ISRAELI COMMUNITIES OF JUDEA, SAMARIA AND THE JORDAN VALLEY. Yigal is the CEO of Yesha Council, representing the 25 Israeli authorities in Judea, Samaria and the Jordan Valley.

EXPERIENCE RPRY OPEN HOUSE

Prospective and current parents are invited to Experience RPRY on Sunday Dec 11th at 10am. Parents will have the opportunity to be the students and experience the RPRY educational difference. Exciting kids program provided featuring TaleWise Science Show, crafts and more. Sign up at RPRY.org

RPRY SCHOLARSHIP BREAKFAST

Toby Meyer Memorial. Save the Date: Dec 18th 9:30AM at RPRY. Honoree: Mrs. Elana Kurtz

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

DR. PRESBY SHIURIM:

-Woman: Pele Yoetz (a combination of Halacha and Mussar Shiur) Tuesdays 8pm at the Presby home, 467 Lincoln Ave, HP

-Men/Women: Eicha Wednesdays at noon via conference call, Dial in #605-475-6333 code 9017189

-Men: Megillah Thursdays at 8pm via conference call, Dial in #605-475-6333 code 9017189

- Men/Women: Nach Shiur on Shabbos at 3pm at the Presby home, 467 Lincoln Ave, HP

Info, contact Dr. Presby at 732-925-4828

FOR WOMEN

-Women's Learning Initiative: -customized Torah learning partners/chavrusas! For a personalized study program of your choice, email your contact info to womenslearninginitiative@gmail.com -Rebbetzin Eichenstein Classes: contact Aviva Siegel siegelmom@gmail.com for status of Sun and Mon classes.

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

- **UPWARD! (Formerly TIFERES):** will no longer be meeting. Thank you to all those that have joined and supported the Highland Park / Edison group of Tiferes, which was zecher l'nishmas Malka bas Shalom, for over 5 years. Aviva Siegel siegelmom@gmail.com.

BIKUR CHOLIM

Bikur Cholim of Raritan Valley has services in the community for over Shabbos and Yom Tov:

* Account with AA Checker cab 732-545-2300

(reimburse Bikur Cholim at a later time)

* account with Rite Aid in HP to get prescriptions filled (reimburse with a Rite Aid gift card at a later time) Questions 732 572 7181

GEMACHS

-FORMULA GEMACH: Due to the formula shortage, a temporary formula gmach opened in Edison/HP. To-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: 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.

-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.

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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 are paused pending new initiatives

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: 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, 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 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 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.

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

Parshat Vayishlach

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