



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parashat Shemot

21 Tevet 5783

January 14, 2023

Candlelighting: 4:35 PM

Mincha/Kabolas Shabbos (Main Shul):

4:40 PM

Shacharis :

7:45 (Social Hall), 9:00 AM (Main Shul),

9:15 (YFM), 9:15 AM (Teen Minyan, Beis

Medrash)

Hashkama Speaker: Ira Smith

Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR'A) 9:43 AM

Rabbi Luban's Gemara Beitza Shmur 3:40 pm

Mincha (Main Shul): 1:45 & 4:30 PM

Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Larry Greenman

Maariv: 5:40 PM

Shabbos Ends: 5:44 PM

Weekday Shacharis

Sunday 7:15, 8 & 9 AM

Rabbi Sauer's Shiur on Daf Yomi Be'yun after 7:15 minyan

Mon. & Thur. 6:17, 7:05 & 8 AM

(Earliest Talis and Tefillin: 6:21 Mo, 6:20 Th)

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

Early Mincha-Sunday 1:00 PM

Weekday Mincha/Maariv 4:45 PM

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

KIDDUSH

Kiddush is sponsored by Mira and Mark Epstein in commemoration of the Yahrzeit of Mark's father, Sigmund Epstein, R' Nachman B'R Yitzchak HaLevi z'l.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Miriam and Larry Greenman in memory of Larry's father, Reb Gershon Mordechai ben Reb Yehoshua Menachem, A"H, and in memory of Miriam's father, Rav Yoseif Yochanan ben Rav Avraham, A"H.

TUESDAY NIGHT TEHILLIM

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

LUNCH & LEARN

SAVE THE DATE. Our next Community LUNCH & LEARN Program is scheduled for Tues, Feb 28. Details to follow. Contact Aliyana Wasserman if you would like to volunteer to help with set-up on event date email: aliyana.wasserman@gmail.com or text 732-310-3410

MAZEL TOV

...to Mel Barenholtz on the birth of a great-grandson. Mazel Tov to the parents, Bezalel and Rivky (Swiatycki) who are currently living in Jerusalem, to Bezalel and Rivky's son, Yeshaya, to Bezalel's parents, Levi Yitzchok & Yocheved, and to the entire Barenholtz and Swiatycki families.

...to Mindy and David Waizer on the engagement of their son Matthew to Shaina Davis of Manhattan. Mazel Tov to Matthew's sisters Kayla and Amalia, grandparents Dr. Jonas and Clara Waizer, and Rabbi Marvin and Janice Teichman, to Shaina's parents Dr. Jeffrey and Heidi Davis and brother Yehuda.

...to Harriet and Joel Gersten on the birth of a great grandson, born to their grandchildren Tziporah and Tzvi Baruch of Lakewood.

Mazel Tov to the grandparents, Eli and Adina Gersten, and to all of the aunts, uncles and cousins.

...to Dorene Schwartz-Weitz and husband Aharon Brown and the entire Schwartz-Weitz and Lehrer families, on the Bar Mitzvah of their grandson, Avraham David Tzvi, son of Tiffany and Moish Lehrer of West Hartford, Conn. - Dec. 31, 2022.

...to Elise and Eddie Schechter on the marriage of their son Aryeh to Elisheva Summer in Israel. Mazel Tov to Heshy and Lisi Summer, Naomi and Neil Auman (Shadchan / Aunt and Uncle), Bonnie and Gary Schechter, Fern and Yudy Weiss, Dovie and Yehudis Schechter and Family, Rachail Schechter, and Grandma Hannah Woloch, ... to Gila and Ephraim Gerszberg on the engagement of their son Shep to Sarah Lewyn of Atlanta, Georgia. Mazel Tov to Grandmothers, Shelly Zinkin and Rose Gerszberg, to Shep's siblings, Eitan and Yael, Gabriel, Mia and Ella, and to all the uncles, aunts and cousins.

SPECIAL WOMEN SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE

We are excited to announce that in partnership with the OU Women's initiative, we will be hosting Mrs. Lynn Kraft as a very special Scholar in Residence on Shabbos February 3-4. Please stay tuned for details. If you are interested in sponsoring part of this incredible Shabbos please contact Mitch Rottenstreich at mrottenstreich@gmail.com. Mrs. Lynn Kraft serves as Tanach Department Chair, Israel Guidance Counselor, and Mechanechet at Ida Crown Jewish Academy in Skokie, IL. She was formerly the director of NILI: Chicago

Institute of Women's Learning, which offers shiurim and programs for girls and women of all ages in the Chicago community. At the OU Women's Initiative, Lynn taught Sefer Melachim I to over 5,000 women worldwide as part of the Torat Imecha Nach Yomi Program, presented Rosh Chodesh shiurim, served as a Counting Toward Sinai Scholar-in-Residence and presented a recording on tefillah as part of the Counting Toward Sinai Tefillah Series. Lynn previously taught at Ma'ayanot Yeshiva High School in NJ, Michlelet Mevaseret Yerushalayim and Sha'alvim for Women in Yerushalayim, and Stella K. Abraham High School for Girls in NY. She earned her BA in Judaic studies and Psychology from Stern College for Women and her MA in Bible from Bernard Revel Graduate School of Jewish Studies. She lives in Lincolnwood, IL with her husband, Rabbi Aaron Kraft, and their five children.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

HIGHLAND PARK

COMMUNITY KOLLEL BREAKFAST

Noam Waltuch, Esq., Chairman of the Highland Park Community Kollel Breakfast is pleased to announce that the Guest of Honor at this year's Breakfast will be Dr. Arnie Lustiger. Guest Speaker will be Rabbi Yehuda Leib Eichenstein Shlit"a, Rosh HaYeshiva of Rabbi Jacob Joseph School and Rov of Cong Ateres Shlomo. There will be a special presentation, inaugurating the kollel's new aron kodesh and bimah. The Breakfast will take place Sunday morning, Jan 29th at Cong. Ohr Torah. Formal invitations and more details to follow. Online donations can be made at <http://www.hpkollel.com>. If you do not receive a formal invitation, please email us: hpkcommunitykollel@gmail.com - with your address, so that we can update our files. Thank you!

HELP JFS FIGHT HUNGER

Jewish Family Services pantries need your support —help them help families in need by donating non-perishable, unexpired kosher food items or donating online: <https://jfsmiddlesex.org/> donate-form to support their efforts. If you would like to arrange a food drive or food delivery to JFS pantries, email office@jfsmiddlesex.org. Thank you!

ACTT (Achieving Change Thru Torah):

Checkout the new ACTT website www.actt613.org, which has been reorganized topically to provide all the ACTT material in an easy to use way. We look forward to continuing to grow in our commitment to Torah and to getting closer to Hashem.

SINGLES SHABBATON

FEB 17TH-19TH Ages 24-35 \$175.00pp
Shabbos Lunch, Fun Melava Malka, Sun Breakfast Speed dating, Games and lots of fun! Laser Tag, Arcade and Glow Golf! Home hospitality provided
Contact: Singlesshabbaton@gmail.com
Ohr HaChaim 3120 Clarks Lane, Baltimore MD

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

BOOK DRIVE FOR THE

BRIDGE OF BOOKS FOUNDATION (501C3)

I'm Ophir Filhart, an Edison 10th grader. During the pandemic, I organized a book drive, collecting new and gently used books for kids 0-18 for Bridge of Books Foundation (501c3) as a Bar Mitzvah Chesed project, resulting in a donation of over 1500 children's books to underserved children throughout NJ to support the development of literacy skills and to encourage a love of reading. I'm excited to be organizing another book drive for Bridge of Books Foundation, as they are again in need of more new and gently used children's books. To donate books email Ophir Filhart at ophirben9@gmail.com. Please do not donate adult books, textbooks, encyclopedias, coloring books, magazines, or used workbooks.

RPRY CAMP KULANU

CAMP DATES: JUNE 27TH TO AUG 17TH, 2023

<https://www.rpry.org/camp-kulanu/index>

WELLTAB

The 13 months while my mother was in a coma, in and out of rehabs and hospitals, put an unspeakable strain on our hearts. While we couldn't be with her physically 24/7, WellTab ensured we were always "with her." This unique device allowed us to see her, sing to her, reassure her, and advocate on her behalf at all hours of the day or night. With Hashem's help, you shouldn't need this. If Chav V'shalom you do, it was created with Daas Torah for the Klal and is free. As a way of giving back, my daughters and I are now going to be a local location for them. Help spread the word and be in touch! Check out their website: <https://welltab.org>. Locations throughout the globe, but now here in Highland Park/Edison. My daughters Peninah and Adinah Kaplan took this volunteer position. L'iluy Nishmat Esther Bat Reb Eliyahu. In need to borrow a free tablet? Call 917-999-0102. Rachel Kaplan

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:

-Offers customized Torah learning partners / chavrusas. For a personalized study program of your choice, email your contact information to womenslearninginitiative@gmail.com

-Weekly Parsha Shiur with Mrs. Miri Cohen on Tuesday mornings at 9:15 AM. For location/zoom link, please contact Leah at 917-763-1848.

-Rebbitzin Eichenstein Classes: contact Aviva Siegel siegelmom@gmail.com for status of Sun and Mon classes.

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 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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--OHR TORAH NEWSLETTER ONLY: Subscribe to Announcements at <https://www.ohrtorah.net>

--TO RECEIVE ALL OT EMAILS: Send your full name and email address

to mailmaster@ohrtorah.net

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 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 Vaera

Candlelighting

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<http://www.ohrtorah.net>. Join the email list for Weekly Announcements. Announcements should be sent to announcements@ohrtorah.net by 7PM Wed. Please make sure to leave a contact/callback name and phone number.