



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

<http://www.ohrtorah.net>

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Rabbi Yaakov Luban - Rabbi

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Parshat Terumah 4 Adar 5783 February 25, 2023

Candlelighting: 5:25PM
Mincha/Kabolas Shabbos (Main Shul), 5:35PM
Shacharis:
7:45 (Social Hall), 9:00 AM (Main Shul), 9:15 (YFM), 9:15 AM (Teen Minyan, Beis Medrash)
Hashkama Speaker: R. Benjy Kramer
Sof Z'man Krias Shma (GR"A) 9:24 AM
Rabbi Luban's Gemara Beitza Shmur 4:30 pm
Mincha (Main Shul): 1:45 & 5:20 PM
Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Rabbi Eli Reisman
Maariv: 6:30 PM
Shabbos Ends: 6:34 PM
Weekday Shacharis
Sunday 7:15, 8 & 9AM
Rabbi Sauer's Shiur on Daf Yomi Be'iyun after 7:15 Minyan
Mon. & Thu. 6:20, 7:05, 8 AM
Tue., Wed., Fri. 6:30, 7:10 & 8 AM
Early Mincha-Sunday 1:00 PM
Weekday Mincha/Maariv 5:35 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

(maximum of \$170 per immediate family). RSVP to YFMLunch@gmail.com

MAZEL TOV

... to David & Nillie Goldman on the engagement of their daughter Rachel to Jordan Benditzson of Skokie, Illinois. Mazel tov to Jordan's parents, Nathan and Anita Benditzson, and Jordan's sister, Julia. Mazel to Rachel's siblings, Dalya, Tali, Elan and Yarden and brother-in-law, Rafi.

... to Eliana & David Redlich on the birth of a boy. Mazel Tov to grandparents Sue & Alan Redlich, to big brother Chaim, Shuly & Ronnie Baruch, Sandy & Haviv, David and to David's siblings, Kivi & Chani Neuman, Rabbi Ari & Shira Neuman, Joshua Redlich and the entire Redlich, Baruch and David families. *Shalom Zachor at the home of Sue & Alan Redlich, 437 Harrison Avenue at 8:30 PM.*

... to Harriet and Joel Gersten on the engagement of their grandson Eliezer Gersten of Passaic to Avigayil Lapin of Rochester NY. Mazal Tov to Eliezer's parents Eli and Adina Gersten, to Eliezer's siblings, and to all of his aunts uncles and cousins.

February 26th** The cost for the entire Shul list is \$180.00 The cost for individual names is \$8.00 per name If paying by check please make it payable to: Ohr Torah Sisterhood and mail check with order form (sent via email) to: Heather Wishnic 38 Brookdale Court Highland Park, NJ 08904 Any questions please email Melissa Jerushalmy at melissajer@optonline.net

COMMUNITY LUNCH & LEARN

February 28th – 12 noon at Congregation Ohr Torah, PURIM SPIRIT – Socialize with friends and make new ones! Light Luncheon with Hamentaschen, D'var Torah, Just a Thought: A PURIM FARCE and MOVIE. \$14pp, Seats limited: PRE-PAID RESERVATIONS ONLY! Reservations must be deposited no later than midnight Feb 25th. Pay online at <https://www.ohrtorah.net/lunch> or pre-pay by check made out to Cong Ohr Torah and mailed to 400 N 8th Ave, Edison NJ 08817, or Hand Deliver and slip Envelope through the mail-slot at front door. Contact Aliyana.wasserman@gmail.com text: 732-310-3410

VIGILANCE THIS WEEKEND

Dear Members,
 You may have received emails indicating that a number of anti-Semitic groups are calling for a "Day of Hate" this Saturday, February 25th.

I have just spoken with the Edison Deputy Chief of Police, Lt. Robert Dudash, who confirmed to me that he and his department are aware of this concern. Lt. Dudash stated that:

1. The police have no evidence and have heard no chatter regarding any specific threat against any synagogue or Jewish institution in New Jersey,
2. The Edison police will significantly increase their marked and unmarked patrols around our entire community and specifically Ohr Torah,
3. That if we see anything we should call 911 immediately, and
4. That we should not allow our children to walk around unattended this weekend.

Hate groups, like all bullies, thrive on scaring and intimidating others. We should stand firm and resolute against them by attending Shul and Shul events. If we encounter any troublemakers we should do

PURIM NIGHT ENTERTAINMENT FOR OHR TORAH YOUTH

The Ohr Torah Youth Department is excited to present two back to back children's celebrations (ages 4 and up) on Purim night March 6th.

From 6:30 to 7:30pm we present Kenny Warren and Leroy Cool, a ventriloquist adventure. Kenny has been featured nationally on radio and television including NBC's hit show Last Comic Standing. His child appropriate kids comedy show will surely be a lot of fun!

And from 7:30 to 8:30pm we present Simply Extraordinary Tales featuring the story of Purim with puppets, props, masks, drums and a surprise ending.

Both shows will take place downstairs in the OT classrooms. Chag Purim Sameach to all!

OT MISHLOACH MANOT

Last opportunity to order your OT Mishloach Manot! Please submit payment via Venmo to @OTSisterhood Kindly provide your name as you would like it to appear on the name scroll and note Mishloach Manot in the memo line. **The last day for ordering is Sunday,

KIDDUSH

Kiddush is co sponsored by the Riki and Robert Kreitman, Debbie and Moshe Schneider, Susie and Moish Wiesel, and the Shul

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Charyn and Harvey Atlas in commemoration of the Yahrzeit of Harvey's father, Morris Atlas, משה יהודה בן שלום.

TUESDAY NIGHT TEHILLIM

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

RABBI REISMAN TO SPEAK SHALOSH SEUDOS

He will discuss: *Tricky Tevilah Topics- the Mishloach Manos dilemma; the Betty Crocker pizza maker saga; do you really need to toivel - your table, challah board, eyeglasses, swiss army knife and more.*

1ST ANNUAL YFM LUNCH

Please join us on Shabbos, March 4th in the OT social hall as we enjoy great friends and delicious food at the 1st annual YFM Lunch!! Cost: \$60 per adult and \$20 per child

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.

our best to ignore them as they often seek out confrontation and publicize it to further their evil intentions.

We will of course have our security guard and security volunteers as usual. We will also hear a report by our Shul Security Committee immediately following davening in the Main Minyan at approximately 11:20. All members are encouraged to attend.

If you have any questions please contact me.

Wishing you all a wonderful Shabbos and hoping you join with us in celebrating the 25th anniversary of our magnificent Shul Building.

Robert

YOM HASHOAH

We are enhancing our Yom Hashoah program by having Hanoch Teller speak. Rav Teller has authored 28 books included a book, which he spent 2 years researching, on the Holocaust called Heroic Children. He is a renowned worldwide speaker and often speaks at Yom Hashoah events. Rav Teller is one of only a few independent Licensed guides approved to give tours at Yad Vshem. Ohr Torah is honored to have him as the featured speaker at our program on April 18. In that vein we are seeking sponsors at \$100 per family. The sponsors will be listed on the publicity material in advance of the Yom Hashoah program. To continue Holocaust education and the memory of the 6 million is an important goal. To participate as a sponsor please see Marc Hanfling or Neer Even-Hen.

SHAIMOS COLLECTION

Congregation Ohr Torah will hold this year's community Shaimos Collection on Sunday, March 19 from 9:30AM to 6PM. The cost is \$30 per large garbage sized bag..

Please make all checks out to Congregation Ohr Torah.

(Coordinator/questions) Barry Siegel, siegeldad@gmail.com

Seforim sale: There will also be a used Seforim sale at this time, Great Bargains!!! Come find your hard-to-find and/or out-of-print books and stock up your home libraries.

SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE

In preparation for Purim, Ohr Torah is excited to welcome Rabbi Ari Bensoussan next Shabbos, March 3-4. The schedule for Rabbi Bensoussan is as follows: Oneg Friday night 8:30 PM; Shabbos Day - Derasha after the main minyan (approximately 11 AM) entitled Parshas Zachor - Amaleks Ultimate Downfall; Shiur for women entitled Esther's Secret Weapon at 4:15 PM; Shmooze at Shalosh Seudas entitled Purim Tisch - How to Make the Most of Your Purim Seudas. Please note the earlier time for Mincha. Please contact Mitch Rottenstreich at mrottenstreich@gmail.com if you are interested in sponsoring this Shabbos.

Rabbi Ari Bensoussan is a Talmud of Mir Jerusalem and Lakewood BMG. A Musmach of the Jerusalem Rabbinat and Rav Yitzchok Berkowitz shlita. He has been teaching

students from all over the world for 12 years. He co-founded Yeshivat Ruach Chaim in Jerusalem and was a Senior Lecturer in the Derech program at Yeshiva Ohr Samayach in Jerusalem. Rabbi Ari enjoys a very close relationship with his many students and constantly reflects on his own learning done in the Jerusalem Kollel under Rabbi Yitzchok Berkowitz where Rabbi Ari received semicha from the Jerusalem Rabbinat. Rabbi BenSoussan lives with his wife and 5 children in L.A. where he is heading a new branch of Chazak International, a community outreach initiative and also teaches at YULA High School.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

RPRY ANNOUNCEMENT

We want to welcome the 8th grade students, from RPRY, and the Yachad members to our community this Shabbos. They will be joining us for Shabbos morning.

MATONOS L'EVYONIM

Rabbi Brudny will IY"Y be raising funds for *Matonos L'evyonim* as he has been doing in the past. He will be available at 46 Hamlin Rd until late Purim afternoon to receive and distribute the *matonos*. Alternatively, checks can be mailed to Matanos L'Evyonim, 150 Washington, Edison, NJ 08817 and made payable to either his name or to Toras Chesed. Sent via Zelle: to matevyon@gmail.com. He can also be reached by phone at (732) 668-3546.

PURIM CARDS FROM THE KINDER FUND

Our local Tzedaka organization, The Kinder Fund in memory of Dina Eisner, A"Y, 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.

PURIM COSTUME GEMACH

We are happy to announce the 16th Annual OE Purim Costume Gemach: Sun-Feb 26th - 10am - 3pm. Cong OE, 415 Raritan Ave, HP, NJ 08904. Over 1,000 adult, children and infant costumes to choose from. Just a \$5 suggested donation per costume borrowed. pecostumegemach@gmail.com

FREE LARGE PRINT HAGGADAH

FREE LARGE PRINT HAGGADAH for the visually impaired or reading disabled CALL 800-999-6476 BEFORE MARCH 24th Braille and Audio editions also available. Established in 1931 as The Jewish Braille Institute, an Associate Agency of the Library of Congress, serving people of all ages and backgrounds or order online at www.jbilibrary.org

NORPAC MISSION IN PERSON

NORPAC's Mission to Washington is an annual event where we bring close to a thousand citizen activists to Washington, DC, in order to advocate for a stronger U.S.-Israel relationship with Members of Congress.

Join us on Wednesday, May 10, 2023 as we travel Washington, DC. On a single-day trip you will meet with Members of Congress and their staff and share your concerns with them about foreign aid to Israel, Iran, security cooperation, and more. Help us make a difference once again!

Buses will leave for Washington DC from our area at 6:30 AM and return between 9-10 PM. There will be briefings on the bus. All meals will be

provided.

Register now for the Early Bird Discount at www.norpac.net or call (201) 788-5133. Adults - \$180, Full time Students - \$100 (must be over 12. Those under 18 must be accompanied by Parent or legal guardian). After March 12- adults \$220, students \$135 for more info, contact David Moskovic, Marc Hanfling at dccdad@aol.com, Barry Wolf, Yosef Schreiber, Charles Gershbaum

RARITAN VALLEY ORTHODOX JEWISH COMMUNITY ASSOC. - THE "ROC" OF NJ

Looking for assistance with your job search? *The ROC of New Jersey Employment Assistance Initiative* can assist you by offering resume coaching, interview coaching, LinkedIn networking coaching and finding a mentor in your field. Over 100 of your neighbors have already received assistance with their job search from The ROC of NJ - absolutely free. For more info go to the www.therocnj.org and click on "Employment" on the top of the home page.

BLOOD DRIVE AT AA

Thursday, March 2, 1-7pm

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> 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!

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.

-Rebbetzin 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

BIKUR CHOLIM LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

- Bikur Cholim is looking for volunteers to do a major Chessed. There is a family who has a child in Children's Specialized Hospital that is looking for volunteers to sit with the child for 1-2 hour sessions when the parents just can't be there. The child is 8 years old and fun to be with. Please contact Mrs. Blanc at 718-744-7127.

PLEASE HELP KEEP THE SHUL NEAT...PLEASE RETURN SIDDURIM & CHUMASHIM TO THE REAR OF THE SANCTUARY AFTER DAVENING.

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.

-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.

-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](http://www.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 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 Tetzaveh / Shabbat Zachor

Candlelighting 5:33 PM

Mincha 5:40 PM

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