



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

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Parshat Vayeishev / Mevarchim

26 Kislev 5784

December 9, 2023

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Candlelighting: **4:12 PM**
Early Mincha 3PM Minyan to facilitate lighting of Chanukah candles

Mincha/Kabolas Shabbos: 4:15 PM (Main Shul)
Fri HS Boys Beis Medrash Learning 8:00 PM
Shacharis:
7:45 AM (Social Hall) 9AM (Main Shul) 9:15 AM (YFM)
Hashkama Speaker: Rabbi Malitzky
Sof Zman Krias Shma 9:29 AM
Rabbi Malitzky's Gemara Avodah Zara Shiur: 3:15 PM

Mincha (Main Shul): 1:45, & 4:05 PM
Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Rabbi Malitzky

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

Weekday Shacharis
Sunday 6:55, 8 & 9:15 AM
Rabbi Sauer's Daf Yomi B'eyun Shiur cancelled this week

Mon., 6:12, 7:00 (BM), 8 & 9:15 AM
Earliest Tallis & Tefillin (T&T) - 6:12

Tues. & Thurs. 6:12, 7:00 (BM), & 8:00 AM
Earliest Tallis & Tefillin- Tue. 6:13, Thu 6:14

Fri: (Zos Chanukah) 6:12, 6:55 (BM), 8, 9:15 AM
Earliest T&T: Fri 6:15

Wednesday (Rosh Chodesh): 6:06, 6:50 (BM), & 8 AM
Earliest T&T - 6:13
All Minyanim will meet in the Main Sanctuary except for the second Minyan Monday through Friday.

Weekday Mincha/Maariv 4:20 PM
Early Mincha (Sunday) 1:00 PM
Late Maariv: (Sun.-Thurs.) 7:30 & 10:10 PM
No 7:30 Maariv on Sunday

Mon. Tehilim: 9:40 PM
Daf Yomi schedule:
Sunday - after 8 am Shacharis, Mon- Thurs - after 7:30 PM Maariv, Friday - after Maariv, Shabbos - 45 min. before Mincha

GUEST CHAZZAN

We are excited to host Eli Dachs for a beautiful Shabbos Chanukah davening! Please join us Friday night and Shabbos day for what promises to be a beautiful Shabbos

PRE-YFM HILCHOS SHABBOS SHIUR

New Shiur learning Hilchos Bishul in the Sefer, Shemiras Shabbos Kihilchosa, 9AM-9:15AM Shabbos morning in the YFM room.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week is being jointly sponsored by Joanne and Payam Hanian to commemorate the 8th Yahrzeit of Payam's mother, Turi bat Yaakov, A"H, and by Ohr Torah in honor of Shabbos Chanukah.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is being sponsored by the Allen, Kreitman, B. Schanzer and I. Smith families.

MAZEL TOV

...to Margaret & Yaakov Gorlin on the birth of a baby girl to their children Rena & Nesanel Gorlin. Mazel Tov to grandparents Sharon & Aaron Chesir, to the great-grandparents Dr. Seymour & Susan Lachman, and to all the aunts, uncles and cousins.

... to Eileen Wagshul on the birth of a daughter to her grandchildren Rabbi & Shayna Sragow in Columbus, Ohio. Mazel Tov to the grandparents, Linda & Murray, , the 2 little sisters & all the extended happy Sragow & Lerner families

... to Tamar and JJ Brandler on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter Ayla. Mazel Tov to the whole Brandler and Belsh families, to grandparents Barbara and Jerry Belsh and Estelle and Joe Brandler, and siblings Avigayil, Elisha and Aharon

... to Debbie and Bill Gewirtz on the engagement of their grandson Yisroel Lebowitz, son of Elana and Rabbi Aryeh Lebowitz, to Risa Harris, daughter of Rifka and Mark Harris.

... to Susie and Barry Wolf on the forthcoming marriage, this Sunday, of their daughter Rachel to Martin Tyberg. Mazel Tov to Rachel's sisters and brothers in law and to Martin's mother Rose Tyberg .

...to Michelle and Rob Schanzer on the engagement of their son Josh to Hannah Grossman of Teaneck. Mazel Tov to Hannah's mom, Felicia Grossman, to grandparents Sheila and Henry Schanzer, to siblings Benji, Raimee and Hallie Schanzer and Erin Grossman, and to the extended, Schanzer Kreitman and Dennis families.

NEW SEMICHAS CHAVER SHIUR

The Semichas Chaver Shiur will now be taking place at 8:15pm on Motzei Shabbos in the YFM room, starting a new topic within Hilchos Aveilus on December 16. Please reach out to Yoni Goldberg (516-491-4982) with any questions.

LUNCH & LEARN

Tuesday, Dec 26th @ 12:00
Schmooze, D'Var Torah, Delicious Hot Lunch with all the trimmings And the Film: A NEW DOCUMENTARY: THE WORDMAKER – Ish She'Ahav B'Ivrit At the beginning of the 20th century, a language war raged in Palestine. The contenders: Yiddish, Russian, French, German, English and Hebrew, a language barely spoken for 2000 years. At stake: the national language of the Jewish homeland-in-the-making. THE WORDMAKER tells the dramatic life story of Eliezer Ben-Yehuda

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who championed the cause of Modern Hebrew. He was zealous and stubborn and had one driving passion: breathing life into the ancient biblical tongue. Denounced as a heretic, dismissed as a dreamer, this brilliant man pressed on tirelessly, often at the expense of family and health. Pre-Paid Reservations only! **\$15pp** RSVP online at <https://www.ohrtorah.net/lunch>
PRE-PAY: by credit/debit card on-line <https://www.ohrtorah.net/lunch>
Also accepted: Checks or ZELLE 732-310-3410 – (include both: L&L, names of attendees in the Zelle memo box!)
Make checks out to: Cong Ohr Torah. Remember to include attendees' names
MAIL OR HAND DELIVER TO: Aliyana Wasserman at 400 N 8th Ave, Edison NJ 08817.

SCHOLARS IN OUR RESIDENCE

Join us at 8:00pm on Tuesday night for Reflections of the Rav with Arnie Lustiger. See real footage of the Rav! A video will be shown containing a Drasha of the Rav from 1952, in which the Rav upends the conventional wisdom about Chanukah, explaining that the war against the Greeks and the miracle of the oil are only minor themes. He discusses Destruction vs defilement of the Temple, contrasting the Romans with the Hellenizers.

THANK YOU

Yasher Koach to Glatt 27 for donating Chanukah oil/candles to Ohr Torah.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

MACCABEATS IN CONCERT

Darkness to Light – AA & RPRY Fundraiser
Motzei Shabbat Chanukah Dec 9th 7:30PM at Highland Park High School Purchase tickets at aafundraising.org Balcony \$30 Orchestra \$50 Premium Orchestra \$75

KHAL CHASSIDIM

Rabbi Eli Reisman will be speaking for men and women on Kashrus of Medicines. It will be Friday night, Parshas Vayashav, Dec 8th, 8:30pm at Khal Chassidim, 46 N. 8th Ave. Topics include Which medicines are problematic:
Gelcaps, Syrups, pills, vitamins, etc. When and how are we lenient to take non-kosher medicine. Taking medicine on fast days Potential solutions to be aware of. Info Marsha Eiserman 347-203-7906.

UNLIT MENORAH PROJECT

Thur Dec 7th to Fri Dec 15th – Station, Raritan & 2nd Avenue Menorahs will be on display, representing the hostage's menorahs which will be unlit this Chanukah. Candle Vigil for the 38 hostages still being held by Hamas Saturday night 6:30pm show support for the Hostages and their families Pick up "Rescued" Hostage lawn sign, Blue and @hite Ribbons, Large Israel/American Flag

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, CHAVERIM: 732-844-3577

**RAISING RELIGIOUS EXPECTATIONS:
PARENTS, KIDS AND
MINDFUL TORAH STUDY**

Join us online Sat night Jan 6, at 8pm as the Orthodox Forum of Edison/Highland Park presents Dr. Tammy Jacobowitz, Tanakh Chair, SAR High School. She is the founding director of Makom B'Siach at SAR, an immersive adult education program for parents. She is a graduate of the Drisha Institute's Scholars Circle, and completed her PhD in Midrash at the University of Pennsylvania in 2010 as a Wexner Graduate fellow. Dr. Jacobowitz is currently at work on a parsha book, geared towards parents reading to young children.

The program will only be provided live online at the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/3fs86dkv>. The Orthodox Forum is a grassroots organization and relies on community donations to fund our programs. For more info go to www.orthodoxjewishforum.org.

**RPRY'S ANNUAL TOBY MAYER MEMORIAL
SCHOLARSHIP BREAKFAST AND DREAM IT
CAMPAIGN LAUNCH EVENT**

Please join us at RPRY's Annual Toby Mayer Memorial Scholarship Breakfast and Dream It Campaign Launch Event on Sunday, Dec 17 at 9:15am at RPRY. This year we acknowledge our strength, unity and RPRY's critical role in building the next generation of Jewish leaders and supporters of Israel. We will pay tribute to RPRY's steadfast commitment to academic excellence, its mission to afford a Yeshiva education to every child while building a close connection with Am, Torat and Eretz Yisrael. This event will have amazing family friendly activities for all ages including: tying tzitzit for chayalim, mosaic framed tefilos for tzahal, pressed flower Shabbat candlesticks, a bouncy house, engaging speakers and much more! A minimum contribution of \$250 or more entitles up to two people to attend the Breakfast. Babysitting is available at no additional fee for children ages 2+. Please register at: <https://tinyurl.com/4bkj72ek>. For more info, please contact Benjamin Klein at bklein@rpry.org.

RPRY & BURGER BOSS

RPRY PLUS is excited to announce that Burger Boss (Buckets and Taco 185) will be coming to RPRY on Tues 12/12. They will be generously donating 10% of proceeds to RPRY PLUS! Orders must be in by Tues 12/12 and Noon. Pick up will be at the RPRY front Lobby at 5:30-6:30 on 12/12. For online orders only:

1. go to Burger Boss, Buckets or Taco 185 websites and select *pick up*
2. add your items
3. in the "Store Pickup" section of *checkout* select 12/12
4. In the "Store Pickup" section, click "Request Curbside pickup" and enter "RPRY" and your address where it says "Tell us how to recognize you"

TOMCHEI SHABBOS OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY

Tomchei Shabbos of Middlesex County presents its annual Community Wide Concert featuring Joy Newcomb and Aryeh Kunstler Sunday, Dec 24, 6PM at Chabad of Rutgers. Tickets prices are: Sponsor \$100 General admission \$36 To purchase tickets, visit tomcheimc.org or tomcheimc@gmail.com for questions.

TEHILLIM AND EMUNAH:

Presented by Barbara Frish on Sunday mornings twice a month from 10AM to 10:45AM at Cong Ahavas Yisrael, Edison, NJ and on ZOOM as a zechus for the protection of all our chayalim and Klal Yisroel. For women and girls only. For more

info, to join the whatsapp group or to obtain the zoom link, please email bungaresq@aol.com

OPERATION HUG

If you are a parent of a lone soldier in Israel, Operation HUG sponsored by Nefesh Benefesh, JNF USA and FIDF is offering free flights for ONE parent of a lone soldier in active service in the IDF. Go to nbn.org.il to register.

DR. PRESBY SHIURIM

Dr. Presby Shiurim:

- Woman: Pele Yoetz (a combination of Halacha and mussar shiur) Tuesdays 8 pm 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 9pm at the Presby home, 467 Lincoln Ave, HP or via conference call, Dial in #605-475-6333 code 9017189
 - Men / Women: Nach Shiur on Shabbos 3pm at the Presby home, 467 Lincoln Ave, HP
- Info contact Dr. Presby at 732-925-4828

ATTENTION SINGLE PARENTS

If you are in need of assistance, WhatsApp/text Julia 917 – 847-0171, Rikki 732-742-4559, Rivka 732-762-0490. We will connect you with a volunteer who is available to help out! Examples of volunteer work you can ask for: Shlepping, Toiveling dishes, Financial advice, Emergency rides, Groceries, Installing air conditioners, Minor home maintenance, Picking up medications from pharmacy, Yom Tov and Shabbos meals, Emergency dinners, Quick errands, Help build sukkah, Homework help, etc... Male and Female Volunteers needed. Together we can make a difference!

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 9:15AM. For location/zoom link, Leah at 917-763-1848.
 - Rebbitzin Eichenstein's classes for women:
 - Tefilla class on Sundays at 10:00 AM at the Aguda Shue
 - Parsha class on Mondays at 8:00 PM at Congregation Ohr Torah.
- Please text Nechama at 347-909-2755 to confirm.

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

BIKUR CHOLIM

-Bikur Cholim of Raritan Valley is excited to announce a SENIOR VISITATION PROGRAM. This program will provide weekly or bi weekly visitation to members of our community. We are looking for community members who are 18 years and older to volunteer. To volunteer or to hear more info please contact Cindy Baruch at 908-309-8818 or email her at cindy.baruch@verizon.net
- Bikur Cholim is looking for more male volunteers to visit seniors and also looking for more seniors to visit. Please contact Cindy Baruch at 908-309-8818 or cindy.baruch@verizon.net
=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

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KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP: To sponsor Kiddush or reserve Kiddush room contact Reuben Atlas or Elie Wiesel at reservations@ohrtorah.net
Shalosh Seudos, contact Elie 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 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, 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_ervu 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 Mikeitz	
Candlelighting	4:13 PM
Mincha	4:20 PM

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