



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

Rabbi Sarel Malitzky - Rabbi

Arkady Broder - President

Rabbi Yaakov Luban - Rabbi Emeritus

Parshat Va'eira

3 Shevat 5784

January 13, 2024

<http://www.ohrtorah.net>

Candlelighting: 4:33 PM
Mincha/Kabolas Shabbos: 4:40 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 Benjy Kramer
YFM speaker: Rabbi Sarel Malitzky
Sof Zman Krias Shma 9:43 AM
Rabbi Malitzky's Gemara Avodah Zara Shiur: 3:35PM

Mincha (Main Shul): 1:45, & 4:25 PM
Shalosh Seudos Speaker:
Rav Eliezer Sorotzkin - Lev L'Achim

Maariv: 5:38 PM
Shabbos Ends: 5:43 PM

Weekday Shacharis

Sunday 7:15, 8 & 9 AM
Rabbi Sauer's Daf Yomi Be'yun Shiur
After 7:15 Shacharis

Mon.(MLK Day) 7:10, 8 & 9 AM
Tues, Weds., Fri. 6:30, 7:10 & 8:00 AM
Thu 6:20, 7:05 & 8 AM

All Minyanim will meet in the Main Sanctuary except for the second Minyan Monday through Friday.

Weekday Mincha/Maariv 4:45 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

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 is co-sponsored by:

- the Zinkin, Gerszberg and Ornstein families for the Yahrzeit of Aryeh Zinkin's father, Jack Simon (Yaakov ben Avraham), Z"L
- Shoshanah and Ted Diskind in memory of our fathers, Chaim Mayer Yechielben Paysach Diskind, Z"L and Mordechai ben Shmuel Hecht, Z"L

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by Miriam and Michael Rabinowitz to commemorate the yahrzeit of his father, David Ben Gedalyahu, Z"L

SPECIAL SHALOSH SEUDOS SPEAKER

We are fortunate to be able to hear from Rav Eliezer Sorotzkin at Shalosh Seudos. Rav Sorotzkin is a Rav in Netanya and the son in law of former chief Rabbi, Rav Yisrael Meir

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

Lau. Rav Sorotzkin is the director of P'eylim Lev L'Achim and Chinuch Atzmai. He will tell us about the amazing Teshuva resurgence that is unfolding now in Israel in the wake of the October 7th tragedy.

MAZEL TOV

...to Lisa and Brian Silvey on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Natanel (Nati) Silvey. Minyan will be held at RPRY at 9 AM, followed by Kiddush and a private luncheon.

2024 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

The 2024 Membership Directory is being prepared. All current directory info, including children's names and email addresses, will be brought forward to the new directory. Please submit all changes and/or additions to Names, titles, address, home phone, cell phone(s), children's names (including sons/daughters-in-law), and email addresses to memberdirectory@ohrtorah.net. For members who have joined in the past year, please email the above address with your preferred titles (Mr., Mrs., Dr., Rabbi, Hon., etc.) as this info was not necessarily collected on the submitted membership form.

CONDOLENCES

We regret to inform you of the passing of our dear member, Nathan Orgel A"H, beloved husband of Elena Orgel and father of Karen Reinhard, Ronnie Orgel and Eitan Orgel..

Shiva will be observed at: 19 Brookfall Road Edison, NJ. Minyan Times:

Mincha/Maariv: Sunday - 4:45 pm.

Shacharit: Sunday - 8 am, Monday - 7:45 am

May you be comforted among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem

NEW SEMICHAS CHAVER SHIUR

The Semichas Chaver Shiur will now be taking place at 8:15pm on Motzei Shabboses in the YFM room. Please reach out to Yoni Goldberg (516-491-4982) with any questions.

TUESDAY NIGHT HALACHA SHIUR

9:15pm Tuesday night. Join us for a fascinating discussion about the requirement to say the Beracha of Shehechyanu if you have not seen a friend or family member for thirty days.

ALIYA CARDS

As you may recall, nearly two years ago the Shul sent out an email asking all members to update their Aliya cards in order to comply with the then-new Mishabeirach policy.

48 Edgemount Road Edison, NJ 08817

Unfortunately, at that time we only received approximately a 50% response rate. In order to make Davening run efficiently and to ensure an equitable distribution of Aliyas, *we ask that ALL members now update their Aliya cards* by accessing the Shul's website at <http://www.ohrtorah.net>, go to "Members" tab, click on "View/Update OT Membership Information" (2nd choice in list). Thank you so much for your continued cooperation.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

HIGHLAND PARK COMMUNITY KOLLEL

**- ANNUAL BREAKFAST
IMPORTANT UPDATE**

Due to a scheduling conflict, the new date for the breakfast will be Sunday, February 4th. PLEASE SAVE THE DATE The Highland Park Community Kollel is pleased to announce that Mr. Noam Waltuch, Esq. will be chairing this year's Annual Community Breakfast. Please note that the Breakfast will IY"H take place at Congregation Ohr Torah on Sunday Morning, February 4th, 2024 at 9:30am. [PLEASE NOTE UPDATED DATE] Formal Invitations and further details to follow. If you do not receive a formal invitation, please email us at: hpcommunitykollel@gmail.com - with your address, so that we can update our files. Thank you! Online donations can be made at: <http://www.hpkollel.com>

DONATION TO AID

FALLEN SOLDIER'S FAMILY

Elisha Loewenstern Z"L, 38 years-old from Harish, Israel, was killed in Gaza on Dec 13 by an anti-tank missile fired by Hamas. He was on a mission to rescue wounded soldiers. The Loewenstern family made Aliyah from Highland Park in 1993 with Elisha, 8 years old, and his 3 siblings at the time. Elisha's dad, Rabbi Heshy Loewenstern, worked as a rebbe at RPRY and his mom, Sharon, was a labor and delivery nurse at RWJ hospital Elisha leaves behind a wife, Hadas, and six children ages 10 months to 12-years. Your donation will go directly to assist Elisha's family in the challenging years ahead.

<https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/peer-to-peer/b19e505e-b2a2-4e10-beb6-3278a7795765>

SOLIDARITY MISSION TO ISRAEL

You can make a difference! Join the World Mizrahi Highland Park/Edison/East Brunswick Solidarity Mission to Israel on Monday-Thursday, February 26-29. The Mission will be led by Rabbi Yaakov Luban. It will include: Bikur Cholim, Visiting Bereaved Families, visiting an IDF army base, volunteering opportunities, meeting with families. We need a minimum of 20 people to register. Estimated price per person is \$900 without a hotel room, \$1,200 per person with double room occupancy and \$1,400 single room occupancy. We need a minimum of 6 hotel rooms

to qualify for the World Mizrahi room rate at the Prima Kings. A \$500 deposit is required by Sunday, January 14 to participate. Please give a check, payable to World Mizrahi, to Lynn Hanfling or Brondy Strassman. For more info, contact Lynn at dccdad@aol.com or Brondy at barbara.strassman@gmail.com. To register, go to <https://forms.gle/E4mTmPFHx5wX2p56>

LEV ECHAD B'YISRAEL

Lev Echad B'Yisrael support group for parents of soldiers, students and family in Israel, will be meeting every other Sunday evening, starting this Sunday night 1/14/24 at 8pm.. Due to privacy and safety concerns, please contact the following by noon on Sunday for location. Naomi Auman: nauman89@gmail.com, or text 732-689-0728

LEFKOVITS FAMILY PARK MIKVAH ANNUAL SHOAVAVIM SHIUR

Women's Shiur, January 15th, 8:30pm Congregation Ohr Torah The Lefkovits Family Park Mikvah is excited to present its annual Shovavim shiur for married women. Mrs. Yael Kaisman- veteran teacher, life coach, lecturer and outreach professional will speak about "How to make a good marriage great." For more info- lynnhanfling@gmail.com

ORTHODOX FORUM OF EDISON/HP

Rabbi Josh Joseph to Speak at RPRY Join us on Saturday night February 17, at 8:45 pm as the Orthodox Forum of Edison/Highland Park presents Rabbi Josh Joseph, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of the Orthodox Union at the Rabbi Pesach Raymon Yeshiva. He is the senior professional leader, responsible for all aspects of OU programs and operations, other than OU Kosher. The program will also be available online using this link: <http://tinyurl.com/yd9de359>. The Orthodox Forum is a grassroots organization and relies on community donations to fund our programs. For more information go to www.orthodoxjewishforum.org.

COMMUNITY LUNCH & LEARN

Tuesday JANUARY 23rd Enjoy Delicious Hot Lunch with All the Trimmings RSVP: PRE-PAID REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED! www.ohrtorah.net/lunch TICKETS must be purchased absolutely no later than midnight Sat, Jan 20th!! No Exceptions! \$15 per person 12 noon Cong Ohr Torah, 48 Edgemount Rd, Edison, NJ 08817

An Afternoon of Hope and Healing: Rabbi Malitzky Has Returned From Israel! Join us for a powerful and moving Lunch & Learn as Rabbi Malitzky shares his firsthand experience bringing Tzedakah, Chesed, and entertainment to Israelis impacted by The War.

Rabbi Malitzky will delve into his recent mission to Israel, where he witnessed the devastating effects of the war and the incredible resilience of the Israeli people.

RSVP: REGISTRATION and TICKET IS REQUIRED! www.ohrtorah.net/lunch your tickets will be at the door. \$15.00 per person. Pay online, by Zelle use: 732-310-3410, by check or cash to Aliyana Wasserman, 400 N 8th Ave, Edison NJ 08814 Questions? aliyana.wasserman@gmail.com

FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS

Attention Edison/Highland Park women & girls of all ages: Join us for an evening of community 2.0

with Shaindy Plotzker Sunday, February 11 from 6:30-8:00 PM at the YST Boys School, 71 Ethel Road West, Piscataway Doors open - 6:30, Program begins- 7:00 Register at parkmikvah.org

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

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 8:45pm 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!

FOR WOMEN

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
 - Weekly Parsha shiur with Mrs. Miri Cohen Tuesday mornings 9:15AM. For location/zoom link, Leah at 917-763-1848.
 - Rebbitzin Eichenstein's classes for women:
 - Tefilla class on Sundays at 10AM at Aguda Shul
 - Parsha class on Mondays at 8PM at Ohr Torah.
- Please text Nechama at 347-909-2755 to confirm. --Emanah Chaburah - monthly shiur by Rabbi Gedaliah Jaffe on the 1st Tuesday of each month, 7PM-7:45PM at AY, 1587 Rte. 27, Edison.

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

TO SUBSCRIBE TO OT E-mails -

--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 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_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 Bo	4:41 PM
Mincha	4:50 PM

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