



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements

Rabbi Sarel Malitzky - Rabbi

Arkady Broder - President

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Parshat Shmini-Hachodesh/Mevarchim

27 Adar II 5784

April 6, 2024

<http://www.ohrtorah.net>

Candlelighting: 7:08 PM
Mincha/Kabolas Shabbos: 7:15 PM (Main Shul), 7:15 Carlbach Minyan (Social Hall)
Shacharis:
 7:45 AM (Social Hall) 9AM (Main Shul) 9:15 AM (YFM)
Hashkama Speaker: Rabbi Malitzky
YFM Speaker: Rabbi Malitzky
Sof Zman Krias Shma 9:46 AM
Rabbi Malitzky Gemara Avodah Zara Shiur: 6:15 PM
Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Rabbi Tzvi Hoff
Mincha (Main Shul): 1:45, & 7:05 PM
Maariv 8:13 PM
Shabbos Ends: 8:18 PM
Shacharis:
Sun. 7:15, 8 & 9 AM
Rabbi Sauer's Daf Yomi Be'iyun Shiur
After 7:15 Shacharis
Mon. & Thu. 6:20, 7:05 & 8:00 AM
Tues. (Rosh Chodesh) 6:10, 6:50 & 8:00 AM
Weds. ,Fri. 6:30, 7:10 & 8:00 AM
All Minyanim will meet in the Main Sanctuary except for the second Minyan Monday through Friday.
Weekday Mincha/Maariv 7:20 PM
Early Mincha (Sunday) 1:45 PM
Late Maariv: (Sun.-Thurs.) 10:10 PM
 Daf Yomi:
 Monday -Thursday -after z'man Maariv
 Friday -after Maariv
 Shabbos -45 min before Mincha
 Sunday -after 8 am Shacharis

CARLEBACH MINYAN

There will be a spirited, uplifting, and inspiring Shabbos Mevorchim Carlbach Minyan in the social hall this Friday night.

VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION SHABBAT KIDDUSH(IM)

This *Shabbat* is dedicated to the many Shul leaders and volunteers who have given so much of their time and energy to Congregation Ohr Torah. Over the past year or so, a large number of very special people have "stepped back" after many years (even decades) of selfless service. We express our collective *Hakarat Hhatov* to those taking a well earned break and wishing *Hatzlacha* to those who will continue to lead and serve all of us in the future.

Today's kiddush after both the *Hashkama* and Main *Minyanim* are sponsored by almost 100 families to celebrate our Shul's truly amazing volunteers! The names of the "retiring" volunteers and kKiddush sponsors are listed on flyers at the Kiddush.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos Is sponsored by Devora and David Matthew in memory of the Yahrtzeit Of David's father, Chaim Mordechai Ben Harav Yakov Yisrael, A"H.

MAZEL TOV

... to Bonnie & Evan Orgel on the birth of a grandson, a son born to their children Jessie & Alec Rabinowitz in Los Angeles, CA. Mazel Tov to great grandparents Elliott & Adrienne Bienenstock, Chuck Orgel and to the extended Orgel, Fleisher, Bienenstock, Bick and Rabinowitz families.
 ... to Helen and Benjy Kramer on the birth of a son to their children Alexa and Netanel Kramer. Mazel Tov to Michelle and Jerome Edelstein from Toronto.

OHR TORAH DINNER

You're invited to join us on Sunday night, May 19th, at 6PM at the Chabad House in New Brunswick for a special occasion. We'll be celebrating the Annual Dinner and Inauguration of Rabbi Sarel and Dr. Shoshi Malitzky, an event of great significance to our community. We're also delighted to announce that comedian Eli Lebowicz will be joining us to add some laughter to the evening.

To confirm your attendance, please RSVP via the following link:

<https://www.ohrtorah.net/dinner>. Should you have any inquiries, please don't hesitate to contact Lois Goldsmith, Penny Kaplan, Sara Scott, Erez Shimoni, or Eli Wiesel.

LEAD YOUR BEST SEDER

Are you leading your Seder this year? Join Rabbi Malitzky at 9pm on Thursday night at the home of Judah and Noa Elbaum (301 Harrison in Highland Park) for discussion, insights, and Divrei Torah to run a meaningful Seder

MECHIRAS CHAMETZ

Rabbi Malitzky will be available for Mechiras Chometz after all three Minyanim of Shacharis on Sunday, after Mincha and Maariv during the week, and is available during the day for most of the week as well.

OHR TORAH YOUTH PRE-PESACH

WEDNESDAY MORNING

SHIUR FOR WOMEN

All women are invited to join Rabbi Malitzky for a weekly Shiur. The Shiur takes place in the Beis Medrash at 10am. Coffee and tea will be served! This week's Shiur will be a Parsha Shiur.

ANNUAL YOUTH DEPARTMENT RAFFLE

Our first prize is a 50/50 Earnings prize, and our second prize is a Glatt 27 Gift Card worth \$100! The proceeds from the raffle will go towards funding our Shul Youth Programming. Our drawing for the raffle will take place at our Pre-Pesach Youth Event on

84 Edgemount Road Edison, NJ 08817

Sunday 4/14/24 at 1pm. Donation tickets for the raffle are priced at \$36 each or 3 for \$100. You can pay with cash, check, or our Shul Zelle account—

payohrtorah@gmail.com

Please reach out to any member of our Raffle Team to buy your tickets!

Gavi Berkovits - 201.675.2510

Maggie Brooks - 848.391.5612

Charlie Gershbaum - 917.848.6750

Shira Goldberg - 609.571.7537

Esti Strauss - 646.824.7336

YOUTH EVENT AND RAFFLE

On Sunday April 14th starting at 10am until 1:30pm in the Ohr Torah Social Hall, for children attending Kindergarten thru Eighth Grade, the Ohr Torah Youth Department presents circus acts from around the world. There will be two shows and a workshop. This will include various types of juggling, Diabolo (Chinese yo-yo), rope spinning and so much more. This will be followed by our exciting OT Youth Raffle drawing and a pizza lunch. All this fun for just \$30 per child with a \$5 discount for two or more from the same family.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONG OHAV EMETH

SCHOLAR IN RESIDENCE

Scholar in Residence Rabbi Mordechai Becher: Shabbat April 12-13. Rabbi Mordechai Becher is an instructor at Yeshiva University and alumni Rabbi of Neve Yerushalayim College. He received his ordination from the Chief Rabbinate of Israel and the Chief Rabbi of Jerusalem and holds an MA in Medieval Jewish History. He taught at Ohr Somayach and Neve Yerushalayim in Jerusalem and served in the Israel Defense Forces. Friday night Dinner at the Bridge after Dinner Shiur by Rabbi Becher "How can we reconcile civilian casualties and collateral damage in Halacha." \$60 per person Shabbat morning drasha at 7:50 am and 9:15 am minyan "The Miraculous Survival of the Jewish People". Shiur after Kiddush Shabbat morning, "Insights into the Parsha". Seudah Shlishit after 6:45pm mincha. Shiur "Bargaining with Terrorists". Please RSVP to Sponsor or for Shabbat Dinner by 4/8 t www.ohavemeth.org

RPRY PLUS PRE-PESACH

CAR WASH FUNDRAISER

RPRY PLUS is excited to host a pre-Pesach car wash with Trax! If you are getting your car washed for Pesach, please consider getting it done at **Trax**! They will be generously donating back to RPRY PLUS for every interior, exterior, full detailing service and "the works" package purchased. They were fully booked last year so be sure to book early!

In order for your purchase to be counted towards the donation, please mention **RPRY** at the time of your booking and payment. Please also sign the sign-in-sheet next to the register. Please share

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

pictures of your clean cars with us and tag us @rpryplus on social media!

TOMCHEI SHABBOS

Tomchei Shabbos Needs your Help! In recent weeks, there has been a significant increase in the number of families seeking assistance from Tomchei Shabbos. With Pesach quickly approaching, we need your help to ensure that Tomchei Shabbos can continue to provide the vital support that these families in our community depend on. You can donate at <http://www.tomcheimc.org>

RABBI REISMAN

Rabbi Reisman will be speaking for men and women on "The Case of the Starving Ashkenazim. It will be on Shabbos day, Parshas Shimini, April 6th, at 5:45 pm at Khal Chassidim, 46 N. 8th Avenue. Topics will include Kitniyos, Gebroktz, and other Pesach Chumras. For more information contact Marsha Eiserman at 347-203-7906.

WEEKLY PARSHA LECTURE

Weekly lecture on Parasha of the week with insights from Rabbi Soloveichik ZTL available via Zoom Thursdays from 1-2 PM. Meeting ID: 937 3984 8354 Passcode: 939755 Contact Rabbi Josh Rapps, at 9086164718 or jrapps@bloombergenet.net for more info.

EMUNAH AND TEHILLIM

Barbara Frish will be giving a Shiur on Emunah and Pesach and Tehillim to women and girls on Sunday, April 7, 2024 at 10 am to 11 am at Congregation Ahavas Yisrael and on zoom. Please announce it in the shuls. For more information, you can email bungaresq@gmail.com

IT TAKES A VILLAGE OF EDISON/HP

Are you a single mom or dad living in Edison/HP? It Takes a Village of Edison/HP is here to help. Below is a list of services we offer. If you need something that is not listed below, you can always ask! Babysitting, Tutoring and homework, Dinners, Transportation, Errands, Financial guidance, Handyman/Plumbing, Heavy Shlepping, Furniture Assembly, Referrals, etc. To request help or to offer services, contact: Rivka Jaffe 732 762 0490, Julia Jamen 917 847 017, Rikki Samel 732 742 4559, Rivka Teresh 347 598 9448

NORPAC 2024 - 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 15, 2024, 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 at www.norpac.net or call (201) 788-5133. Adults - \$220, Full-time Students - \$135

(must be over 12). Those under 18 must be accompanied by Parent or legal guardian. For more info, contact David Moskovic, Marc Hanfling at [dcdad@aol.com](mailto:dccdad@aol.com), Barry Wolf, Mayer Berg

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 Wed 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 4pm at the Presby home, 467 Lincoln Ave, HP
- Info contact Dr. Presby at 732-925-4828

BIKUR CHOLIM

Bikur Cholim Senior Homebound Visitation Program is growing!!! We are looking for more volunteers and seniors to visit. Please call Cindy Baruch at 908-309-8818 to become a part of this wonderful mitzvah and to volunteer.

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 0AM at Aguda Shul
 - Parsha class on Mondays 8PM at Ohr Torah.
- Please text Nechama at 347-909-2755 to confirm. --Emunah 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.com 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 SENIOR VISITATION PROGRAM, providing weekly or bi weekly visitation to members of our community. We are looking volunteers 18 years and older. For more info please contact Cindy Baruch at 908-309-8818 or email her at 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 luddeju@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

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

P'arshat Tazria	
Candlelighting	7:16 PM
Mincha	7:25 PM

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