



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements



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7th Day Pesach

21 Nissan 5785

April 19, 2025

Seventh Day Pesach (Fri-Shabbos Apr 18-19)

-Candlelighting: 7:22 PM

--Pre-Plag Mincha Only: 5:45 PM

-Mincha/Maariv: 6:45 & 7:30 PM

Shacharis: 7:45 AM, 9:00 AM & 9:15 AM

Hashkama Speaker: Rabbi Dr. Moshe Strauch

-Mincha: 1:45 & 7:15 PM

Speaker: R. Nechemia Wiener

-Maariv: 8:15 PM

-Candle Lighting Not Before: 8:31 PM

Eighth Day Pesach (Sunday Apr 20)

-Shacharis: 7:45 AM, 9:00AM & 9:15 AM

Hashkama Speaker: Rabbi Malitzky

-Yizkor not before 8:30 AM, 10:30 AM

-Mincha: 7:25 PM

Speaker: R. Rafi Kreitman

-Maariv: 8:27 PM

-Yom Tov ends: 8:32 PM

-(Havdalah is only Borei P'ri HaGafen)

Do not use sold chametz before 10:15 PM

Weekday Shacharis

Mon, Thu: 6:15, 7:05, 8 & 9 AM

Tue., Wed., Fri: 6:30, 7:10, 8 & 9 AM

Mincha/Maariv: 7:30 PM

Late Maariv: 10:10 PM

DAF YOMI SCHEDULE FOR PESACH:

Friday - after first Kabbolas Shabbos,
Shabbos, Sun. - 45 minutes before Mincha

SEMICHAS CHAVER PROGRAM

The Semichas Chaver Program is beginning a new topic after Pesach! Join us as we delve into the Halachos of Brachos and discover new insights into all of our favorite foods—granola bars, soups with croutons, ice cream sandwiches, and many more foods whose brachos are way more complicated than we've ever imagined. The shiur will be Monday nights at 9pm in the YFM room, beginning Mon. April 28. Please reach out to R' Yoni Goldberg, 516-491-4982, with any questions

OT YOUTH DEPARTMENT

Come see the OT youth art exhibit on display in the group's rooms! Created earlier this week by the young artists of OT!

LOST AND FOUND

If anyone finds a Pesach Machzor in Shul with the name Yaakov Lieblich engraved in Hebrew on the cover, please contact Dena Lieblich.

WEEKDAY SHIUR FOR WOMEN – RESUMES 4/30

Our weekly day time Shiur for women with Rabbi Malitzky will resume at 10am on Wednesday 4/30.

MAZEL TOV

... to Debby and Greg Botvinik and Drs. Rena Kravitz and Jack Cohen on the birth of a granddaughter, Yocheved Rus (Juliette Ruth) a daughter born to their children, Jordan and Shani. Mazel Tov to big sister Emma and brothers, twins Ethan and James and the many aunts uncles and cousins. ...to Didi Deitcher and David Matthew on the engagement of their son Joseph to Rivka Hakimi of Teaneck. Mazel Tov to Annie and Daniel Hakimi and to Rivka's aunt and uncle Sarah and Alex Scott and to the entire Matthew and Hakimi families.

747 SHIUR –

NEW SEFER ANNOUNCEMENT!

I'm excited to share that after completing the entire *She'arim B'Tefillah* by Rav Shimshon Pincus, the 747 Shiur will begin learning Rav Moshe Wolfson's inspiring and powerful Sefer, *Vaani Tefillah*. The new cycle will begin Wednesday morning, April 30th. The 747 Shiur meets Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, from 7:47–7:57 AM — just ten minutes that can transform your davening. Stay ten minutes after the 7:10 AM minyan, or come ten minutes before the 8:00 AM Shacharis, and join us as we deepen our understanding of *Tefillah* through this contemporary classic.

SPONSORSHIPS FOR

SEFER FOR THE NEW 747 SHIUR

Rav Moshe Wolfson, born in 1925 in Brooklyn, was a towering American-born Torah giant. One of his most beloved Seforim is *Vaani Tefillah* — a collection of Shiurim on *Tefillah* that he delivered in his own Shul.

We are looking for sponsorships for the Sefer. The cost is \$20 per volume, earmarked please to Library Fund. Please contact Jesse Mintz at

drjesse123@gmail.com with any questions.

SAFETY & MAINTENANCE REMINDER

We kindly remind everyone not to park in front of the garbage dumpsters or in any undesignated parking spots in front of the Shul.

This past week, the garbage collection could not be completed because the dumpsters were blocked by parked vehicles. This creates unnecessary issues for the shul and the community.

Please be advised that any vehicles blocking dumpsters or parked in unauthorized areas will be subject to towing.

Thank you for your cooperation and for helping keep our grounds safe and accessible for all. Best, Arkady Broder

SAVE THE DATE-OT DINNER

SUNDAY EVENING, June 8th, Annual Ohr Torah Dinner. Chabad House, NB. Details to follow. - OT Dinner Committee

SAVE THE DATE – NAMING CEREMONY

On Sunday, April 27th at 10AM there will be a ceremony renaming the newly refurbished tennis, pickleball and basketball courts on North 8th Ave in Memory of Rabbi Dr. Israel Rivkin Z"L. The community at large is invited to attend this meaningful event, together with the participation of the Rivkin family.

EDISON/HP YOM HASHOAH PROGRAM

2025 DR. RAFAEL MEDOFF

Dr. Rafael Medoff is the author of more than 20 books about the Holocaust, Zionism, and American Jewish history.

THEY SPOKE OUT:

Americans Who Challenged the Holocaust

At a time when most of the world was indifferent, a handful of Americans risked their careers, and sometimes their lives, to rescue Jews from the Nazis. Come hear the inspiring stories of these unsung heroes.

Wed April 23th, 8pm at Ohr Torah.

Yom Hashoah is the week after Pesach. We have organized an event that should be interesting, informative and appropriate for the day. Dr. Medoff is a well-known historian and scholar who has written 20 books and numerous articles on the Shoah.

We are looking to put together a list of event sponsors. The sponsors will get reserved seating, a free book of their choice (pending availability of that title) and mention as a program sponsor. Sponsorship is \$72.00 Please email docdad@aol.com or tell Marc Hanfling if you would like to be a sponsor.

LUNCH & LEARN

REGISTER TODAY - LUNCH & LEARN

Wed, April 30th - Cong Ohr Torah 12PM-2PM

FEATURING the NEW DOCUMENTARY:

CARVALHO'S JOURNEY - A Real Life

19th Century American Western Adventure

about Charleston born Sephardic

daguerreotypist Solomon Nunes Carvalho.

Through His photography and drawings we

will see a rare look at the American Far

West. His harrowing Wagon Train journey

takes us right along with him as he

encountered the untouched nature in the

American Far West, where along the way he

met Native Americans, Mountain Men and

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

Mormons Full Buffet Lunch \$20pp (Aides eat free) Only Prepaid Reservations will be honored at the door. Socialize, Enjoy a Delicious Lunch Buffet + D'Var Torah. Space is limited, RSVP and register no later than April 28th MUST REGISTER:

<https://ohrtorah.net/lunch-learn>

Payment can be made at registration by credit card at checkout, at the end of the registration process -or- Zelle: payohrtorah@gmail.com -or- check made out to Cong. Ohr Torah, or by cash mailed or placed in the shul mailbox at 48 Edgemount Road, Edison NJ 08817 We look forward to seeing you there! Contact: LandL@ohrtorah.net

ISRAELI DANCE

Israeli dance is open to all women of the community in Ohr Torah's social hall on alternating Wednesday nights from 8PM-9PM. This is a free session for all dance enthusiasts where multiple participants teach old and new dances. Upcoming sessions will be 4/30, 5/7, 5/21, 6/4, 6/18. For more info, email naomi.caplan@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD – VOTE IN THE WZO ELECTIONS!

Your vote in the World Zionist Organization (WZO) elections plays a crucial role in securing important funding and resources for our community and Jewish institutions worldwide. By participating, you help strengthen our collective voice and ensure support for the causes we care about. Don't miss this opportunity—every vote counts! Visit <https://azm.castiron.votem.net/election/037548cb-4cbb-4a94-aa9a-8aef017d4ddf> for more details and to cast your ballot. Until 5/4/25

NORPAC 2025 - MISSION-IN PERSON

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

Join us on Tuesday, May 20th, as we travel to Washington, DC. On a single-day trip you will meet with Members of Congress and their staff and share your concerns with them about aid to Israel, Iran, antisemitism, and more.

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

Register at www.norpac.net or call (201) 788-5133. Adults - \$250, Full time Students - \$200 (must be over 12). Those under 18 must be accompanied by Parent or legal guardian.

For more info, contact David Moskovic, Steve Stein, Marc Hanfling at docdad@aol.com, Barry Wolf, Yosef Schreiber, Charles Gershbaum

IMO ANOCHI, IN IT TOGETHER PRESENTS SINGLES NIGHT OUT

Sun May 18th Doors open 6:30PM Brooklyn –Exact Location given upon acceptance Welcoming singles with physical disabilities or medical conditions, as well as those open to dating someone with these experiences. Frum singles ages 25-35. All singles prescreened. Admission fee: \$50pp. Registration form required. Music by DJ_CP Partnering Organizations: ECP, Keshet, Orthodox Union, YU Connects, Blind Fate with Rivka Fox

Entertainment & Activities, Performance by Shlomo Levinger. Hot food, open bar, Speed Dating, Shadchanim on site. Limited spots avail. Must register by May 4th. Hosts/Shadchanim: Eli & Neeli Portal, Rivkah Fox, Shoshana Mounessa, Malky Galler, Mindy Eisenman, Leah Speigel. Sponsorships opportunities avail. Questions email imoanochi1@gmail.com

CHAVERIM OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY IS SEEKING NEW VOLUNTEERS TO JOIN

Chaverim, a volunteer organization that provides free roadside assistance and other non-medical emergency services to those in need. Applicants must be 18yrs and up. Apply today: <https://www.chaverimmc.org/volunteer-today> Need of Assistance? Call 24-hour hotline 732-844-3577 Support Us Make a donation today: <https://www.chaverimmc.org/donate-today>

CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Are you a Caregiver? Would you like to join a local caregiver support group? Bikur Cholim of Raritan Valley Is sponsoring a Caregiver Support Group that meets 2x per month. Group is facilitated by a licensed Social Worker. Info Sharon Glaser sharonnglaser@gmail.com Or text 732-887-3653

SH'NAINU SHIDDUCH GROUP

Sh'nainu Shidduch Group of Edison & HP is a volunteer Shidduch group to assist Orthodox Jewish singles, all ages and Hashkafot. Info/to submit profile: shidduchedisonhp@gmail.com

FOR WOMEN

Petticoat Gmach: Gmach houses petticoats for all ages and sizes. Text 5165260941 for appt. Edison/HP Gown Gmach officially closed Closest Gmachs Lakewood, Teaneck, Clifton & Fair Lawn.

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.

Rebbitzen Eichenstein's classes for women: Hilchos Shabbos Sun 10AM at Aguda Shul Parsha class Mon 8PM at Ohr Torah. 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

Mikvah is appt only. All appts should be made via MikvahCloud.com or via MikvahCloud app Regular services, baths and showers, offered. See mikvahcloud for mikvah hours. All comments and questions, email hpmikvah@gmail.com

BIKUR CHOLIM

-Bikur Cholim medical equipment Contact Rebecca Bick at 732-735-7616 or Gabby & Jake Binstein 774-232-3515.

-Bikur Cholim seeks volunteer drivers to help people to/from medical appts and to stock St. Peter's locker Thurs nights If you can help call Cindy Baruch @ 908-309-8818

-BREAST CANCER SUPPORT & RESOURCES BCRV partnered with Sharsheret to provide local support and resources including peer support, surgical needs gemach, & kosher meal delivery and more. Volunteers wanted! rteicher@sharsheret.org.

- Bikur Cholim Senior Homebound Visitation Program seeks volunteers and seniors to visit. Call Cindy Baruch 908-309-8818 to volunteer.

-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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--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. Info call Moish at 732-759-8070 workdays or 732-572-4132 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 Shaina and Tzvi Berke -(516) 757-4748

REFUAH SLEIMAH LEARNING: See OT website, www.ohrtorah.net, for various schedules of earning 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.

X: 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

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Candlelighting:	7:29 PM
Mincha-Maariv:	6:45 PM & 7:35 PM

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