



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements



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Parshat Tazria / Metzora

5 Iyar 5785

May 3, 2025

Candlelighting: 7:36 PM
Pre-Plag Mincha: 5:45 PM
Mincha/Kabolas Shabbos: 6:45 & 7:45 PM (MS),

7:30 Mincha/Kabolas Shabbos starts next week

Shacharis: 7:45 (SH), 9:00 (MS) & 9:15 (YFM) AM

Hashkama Speaker: Harry Chefitz

YFM Speaker:

Sof Zman Krias Shma: 9:24 AM

Rabbi Malitzky's Gemara Avodah Zarah Shiur
6:40pm

Mincha (MS): 1:45, 6:00, 7:30 PM

Shalosh Seudos Speaker: R. Josh Rapps

Maariv 8:41 PM

Shabbos Ends: 8:46 PM

Weekday Shacharis:

Sun 7:15, 8:00 & 9:00 AM

Rabbi Sauer's Daf Yomi Be'Yun Shiur

After 7:15 Shacharis

Mon & Thu 6:15, 7:05 & 8:00 AM

Tue, Wed & Fri 6:30, 7:10, 8:00 AM

Weekday Mincha/Maariv 7:45 PM

Early Mincha (Sun.) 1:45 PM

Late Maariv: 10:10 PM

DAF YOMI:

Daf Yomi is starting a new Masechta this Shabbos May 3, Masechta Shavuot. It is a short Masechta that can be completed in less than 2 months.

DAF YOMI SCHEDULE

Mon -Thurs -7:30PM & finishing after Maariv

Friday - after first Maariv

Shabbos - 45 min before Mincha

Sunday - after 8 AM Shacharis

HASHKAMA KIDDUSH

Hashkama Kiddush is sponsored by Dalya and Harry Chefitz in honor of the 50th anniversary of Harry's Bar Mitzvah.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush is sponsored by Russell and Nitza Adler in honor of the Shabbos Sheva Brachos of their children, Adina and Ovadya, and by the Shul to commemorate Yom Haatzmaut.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Seudah Shlishis is sponsored by Tzippy and Josh Rapps to commemorate the Yahrtzeit of their mother, Rebbetzin Leona Bomzer, Leeba Bas Moshe Eliezer Halevi A"H.

SPECIAL YOUTH GROUPS SHABBAT

We're having a special Yom Haatzmaut Shabbat in groups this week, May 3rd. Special Israeli Snack and Israeli games. Any questions, reach out to Shaina or Tzvi.

MAZEL TOV

...to Nitza and Russell Adler on the recent marriage of their children, Adina and Ovadya. Mazel Tov to Ovadya's parents, Rabbi Ronn and Rayzel Yaish of Bergenfield, to grandparents, Kalman and Tova Shiloni, Aaron and Toby Kinderlehrer and Dinah Yaish as well as siblings, Shoshana & Jordan, Rafi & Sarah, Ariel and Ratzel, Yair and Rivka, and Levi Yitzhak and Yaakov and all the nieces and nephews.

...to Chaya Gurkov on the birth of her great granddaughter, Tamar, and to her grandchildren Nechama and Yanky Kreiger from Sanhedria and to the grandparents, Rabbi Dovid and Faigie Newman and Rabbi Eliezer and Sara Kreiger and to all the siblings, uncles, aunts and cousins and the entire family on both sides.

...to Tamar and Stuart Green on the engagement of their daughter, Yael, to Mr. Shaul Khayyat, son of Rabbi and Mrs Chezky and Rina Khayyat of Passaic.

SHABBAT AFTERNOON PIRKEI AVOT

Rabbi Josh Rapps BE"H will give a Shiur on Pirkei Avot L'Ily Nishmat Tzirel Tehila Bas HaRav Moshe A"H. 11 Edgemount Rd, 5PM

OPEN BEIS MEDRASH & FATHER-SON LEARNING

There's no better way to tap into the spiritual energy of Shabbos than by spending time learning Torah!

Join us in our beautiful Beis Medrash after the 6PM Mincha every Shabbos afternoon.

Whether you come on your own, with a chavrusa, or with your son, everyone is encouraged to take part. Be part of the uplifting kol Torah that fills our Shul each week!

SEMICHAS CHAVER PROGRAM

The Semichas Chaver Program began a new topic! Mondays 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. Shiur will be Monday nights at 9pm in the YFM room. Please reach out to R' Yoni Goldberg, 516-491-4982, with any questions

GEMARA AVODAH ZARAH SHIUR – BEGINNING A NEW PEREK

Rabbi Malitzky's Shabbos afternoon Gemara Shiur is starting the second Perek—now is the perfect time to join!

With long Shabbos afternoons ahead, take the opportunity to delve into Gemara with depth and clarity. Explore fascinating and thought-provoking topics both on and off the Daf. The Shiur offers a taste of *Lomdus*, practical Halacha, and insights into the heart of the *Sugya*.

The Shiur takes place 50 minutes before Mincha every Shabbos afternoon. Join a dynamic *Chevra* of men—young and old—for an enriching learning experience!

CONDOLENCES

We regret to inform you of the passing of David Goldsmith Z"L, father of Rena Klein. Shiva will take place at 3725 Henry Hudson Parkway, Apt.11E, Riverdale, NY through Friday afternoon.

Rena can also be reached at 917-375-3850. May you be comforted amongst the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

THURSDAY NIGHT LIVE

All men and women are invited to join us at 9:15pm this Thursday for Thursday Night Live! Come enjoy an interesting, engaging and inspiringshiur—along with great food, good drinks, and an incredible *Chevra* of people learning and growing together.

SPECIAL PROGRAM FOR WOMEN – NEXT SHABBOS (MAY 10TH)

All women are warmly invited to a special presentation by Sarah Keane entitled: "A Mother Without a Phone: Insights from an Inadvertent 13-Day Device Detox". Join us at 6:00 PM on Shabbos afternoon May 10th at the home of Michael and Sarah Keane, 14 Marshall Drive. We look forward to an inspiring and thought-provoking gathering!

HIGH CHOOOL GIRLS EVENT

All high school girls are invited for a fun and exciting kumzits and campfire this motzei Shabbos from 9:30-11pm at the Golubchik backyard (1514 Parker road, Highland Park)

747 SHIUR –

NEW SEFER ANNOUNCEMENT!

The 747 Shiur began learning Rav Moshe Wolfson's inspiring and powerful Sefer, *Vaani Tefillah*. 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 7:10AM minyan, or come ten minutes before the 8AM Shacharis, and join us as we deepen our understanding of *Tefillah* through this contemporary classic.

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

HAKAMAS MATZEIVA

With deep love and remembrance we invite you to join us for a Hakamas Matzeiva in memory of our beloved husband, father and grandfather

Dr. Lyndon A. Goldsmith, Eliezer Chanina ben Zev Yitzchak. Sunday, May 4, 2025 5:00 PM. Floral Park Cemetery 104 Deans Rhode Hall Road Monmouth Junction, New Jersey 08852 The Kever is located on the corner of Jefferson Road and Monroe Road

SAVE THE DATE-OT DINNER

SUNDAY EVENING, June 8th, Annual Ohr Torah Dinner.

We are excited to invite you to the Ohr Torah Annual Dinner on Sunday, June 8, 2025, as we come together to honor our homegrown heroes-young men and women from our community who have bravely served in the IDF since October 7th.

This year's theme, "From Strength to Strength," reflects the courage, commitment, and unity that these individuals represent. Join us at Chabad House in New Brunswick for cocktails at 6PM followed by dinner at 7PM, as we show our deep appreciation and solidarity.

Please RSVP by May 28, 2025
<https://www.ohrtorah.net/dinner>

SAVE THE DATE-MONDAY MAY 12

You won't want to miss this inspiring evening!

The Kinder Fund invites the entire community to a powerful night of divrei chizzuk with Rabbi Daniel Kalish — renowned speaker and Menahel, Mesivta of Waterbury — on Monday night, May 12 at 8:30 PM at Congregation Ohr Torah.

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 5/7, 5/21, 6/4, 6/18. 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

MESORAH NJ MYMITZVAH FUNDRAISER

Your contribution to Mesorah NJ helps connect hundreds of young professionals across New Jersey with their Jewish roots and with each other. To contribute or learn more, please visit www.MesorahNJ.com or contact Rabbi Lewis at ylewiss@mesorahnj.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

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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--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_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 Acharei-Kedoshim

Candlelighting:

7:43 PM

Mincha-Maariv:

6:45 PM & 7:50 PM

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<http://www.ohrtorah.net>. Join the email list for Weekly Announcements. Announcements should be sent to announcements@ohrtorah.net by 7PM Wed. Please make sure to leave a contact/callback name and phone number.

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