



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements



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Parshat Matot-Massei

Av 1 5785

July 26, 2025

Candlelighting:	8:01 PM
Pre-Plag Mincha:	5:45 PM
Mincha/Kabolas Shabbos:	
6:45(MS), 7:30(SH) & 8:10 PM (MS)	
Shacharis:	
7:45 (SH), 9:00 (MS) & 9:15 (YFM) AM	
Hashkama Speaker: Rabbi Malitzky	
YFM Speaker: Rabbi Dov Grossman	
Sof Zman Krias Shma:	9:26 AM
Rabbi Malitzky's Gemara Avodah Zarah Shiur	7PM
Mincha (MS):	1:45, 6:00, 7:50 PM
Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Zev Saffer	
Maariv	9:03 PM
Shabbos Ends:	9:08 PM
Weekday Shacharis:	
Sun	7:15, 8:00 & 9:00 AM
Rabbi Sauer's Daf Yomi Be'Yyun Shiur	
After 7:15 Shacharis	
Mon, & Thurs.	6:15, 7:05, 8:00 & 9:00 AM
Tue, Wed. & Fri	6:30, 7:10, 8:00 & 9:00 AM
Weekday Mincha/Maariv	8:00 PM
Early Mincha (Sun.)	1:45 PM
Late Maariv:	10:10 PM
DAF YOMI SCHEDULE	
Mon -Thurs -7:30PM & finishing after Maariv	
Friday - after first Maariv	
Shabbos - 45 min before Mincha	
Sunday - after 8 AM Shacharis	

YFM KIDDUSH

YFM Kiddush is sponsored by Bonnie and Evan Orgel in commemoration of the Yahrzeit of Evan's grandmother, Devorah bas Yosef A"H.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush this week is sponsored by Tzippy and Saul Mond in honor of their son, Jacob's Hanachas Tefillin.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos this week is co-sponsored by:

- Faigie and Rabbi Luban to commemorate the Yahrzeit of Rabbi Luban's father, Rav Chaim Mendel Ben Yosef Dov Luban Z"L.
- Debbie and Alex Diamant to commemorate the 33rd Yahrzeit of Alex's father, Alter Meir Dovid ben Aleksander - Alter Diamant, A"H
- Herb Engel to commemorate the Yahrzeit of Herb's father, Henuch ben Eliezer Tvi A"H whose Yahrzeit is 4 Av
- Ellen and Ira Smith Lezecher Nishmas the Yahrzeit of Ellen's mother Chana bas Aryeh Leib A"H whose Yahrzeit is 4 Av.

MAZEL TOV

... Naomi and Josh Caplan and to Rabbi Steven & Gila Miodownik on the birth of a son to their children, Yair & Arielle Caplan. *The Shalom Zachor will take place this Friday night at the Miodownik home, 248 Lawrence Ave., HP at 9:30pm.*

... to Tzippy and Saul Mond on Jacob's Hanachas Tefillin. Mazel Tov to Jacob's brother Tzvi, to Jacob's grandparents Tom and Judy Goldstein, and to Gladys Mond, and to all of Jacob's aunts, uncles and cousins. ... to Rachel and Myron Gurell on the birth of a grandson, a son, born to their children Kayla and Daniel Gurell. Mazel Tov to grandparent Janice Kastner and to all the aunts, uncles and cousins. *Shalom Zachor at the Gurell home, 482 Lincoln Ave. at 9pm.*

SEMICHAS CHAVER PROGRAM

Mondays 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 Monday nights at 9pm in the YFM room. Please reach out to R' Yoni Goldberg, 516-491-4982, with any questions.

GEMARA SHIUR

This week we will discuss whether a Jewish doctor can engage in Chilul Shabbos to save a life of a gentile. Join us for a fascinating question that originates in our Gemara.

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!

SPECIAL WOMEN'S SHIUR BY REBBETZIN ESTI HAMILTON

All women of the HP/Edison community are invited to a transformational shiur from renowned international teacher & speaker Rebbetzin Esti Hamilton (@rebbetzin_esti_) this Sunday, July 27th at 8PM at Cong Ohr Torah in the downstairs social hall "*Inspiring Our Hearts to Long for Geula*" Rebbetzin Esti Hamilton is one of the most influential female spiritual leaders in the Jewish world today. She has transformed

thousands of lives across four continents through her powerful blend of ancient Torah wisdom and cutting edge psychology. This shiur is graciously co-sponsored by: Mrs. Tzvii Nochenson - L'iluy Nishmas Dina bas Hllel and Mrs. Nechie Malek & Siblings - Liluy Nishmas Freida Malka bas Yaakov with generous support from the Edison Chabura and Ohr Torah (OT)

CONDOLENCES

Congregation Ohr Torah extends sincere condolences to Harry Chefitz on the loss of His mother, Bernice Chefitz, Z"L. Shiva at the Chefitz home, 11 Perry Rd.: *Saturday night: 9:45pm - 11:45pm* *Sunday morning: Shacharis only at 8am* May you be comforted amongst the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

THURSDAY NIGHT LIVE – PRE-TISHA B'AV SPECIAL EVENT

All men and women are invited to a special Thursday Night Live session at 9:15 PM on Thursday, July 31st, in preparation for Tisha B'Av. Should it be awkward? Greeting one another, exchanging words, nodding silently on Tisha B'Av — what do these actions reveal about the significance of a simple "hello" and our behavior on this solemn day? Join us for an interesting, engaging, and inspiring Shiur exploring the deeper meaning behind these moments and what they say about our interpersonal conduct and the spirit of Tisha B'Av.

If you are interested in sponsoring this incredible learning experience, please contact Rabbi Malitzky.

LUNCH AND LEARN

BODY & SOUL – THE STATE OF THE JEWISH NATION

Presents a comprehensive examination of the broad and deep connections between the Jewish people and the land of Israel. World-renowned scholars and experts trace the evocative evolution of the relationship between the Jewish people and their homeland that is more than 3,000 years old. – with: Bret Stevens, Víctor Davis Hanson, PhD, Benny Morris PhD, Rabbi Lord Jonathan Sacks z'tl, Alan Dershowitz, Ruth Wise PhD and more.... **WHY WE DEMAND RESPECT!** Wednesday, August 27th 12:00 PM CONGREGATION OHR TORAH ENJOY PARVE/DAIRY BUFFET LUNCH, D'VAR TORAH AND IMPORTANT FILM:\$20 donation per person. Space is limited, RSVP and Register no later than AUGUST 25TH

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

📌 **MUST REGISTER:** ohrtorah.net/lunch-learn

Payment can be made at registration by credit card at checkout.

-or- Zelle: payohrtorah@gmail.com -or- check made out to Cong. Ohr Torah, mailed or placed in the shul mailbox at 48 Edgemount Road, Edison NJ 08817
Contact: LandL@ohrtorah.net WE LOOK FORWARD TO GREETING YOU THERE!

ATTENTION OHR TORAH MEMBERS

Reminder: Shul Billing Now Electronic
A kind reminder from the President and OT Board: All Shul-related billing has now transitioned to electronic statements via EasyShul.

Please be sure to check your email inboxes (and junk/spam folders) for the most recent statements.

Your timely and prompt payment helps ensure the financial health and ongoing operations of our Shul.

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to our community.

OHR TORAH

SUMMER LECTURE SERIES

Please join us at 6:25 PM in the Social Hall this Shabbos as we continue the Summer Lecture Series! This year the topics will all center around *Mitzvos* relating to Israel. Rabbi Daniel Reich will deliver the Shiur this Shabbos about Aliyah Liregel and Korbanos in Modern Times.

TISHA B'AV YOUTH EVENT

"BUILDING THE BEIT HAMIKDASH"
August 3RD 1PM-3PM COST: \$10

AGES: 1ST-5TH Grade

LOCATION: GROUPS ROOM

Join us for a Tisha B'av craft event where you can build your own Beit Hamikdash model. Lunch Included

SAFETY REMINDER

Due To Fire Hazards & Safety Concerns we ask that all Scooters park outside the building or in the Stroller Parking Area at all times. Please be courteous to others and avoid blocking pathways and doors

THE (VERY) KOSHER HOME SERIES FOR MEN AND WOMEN

Next Shiur in the (Very) Kosher Home Series- Salad, vegetables, and bugs: A hands on checking demonstration- Sunday morning July 27th at Ohr Torah.

BOOTS FOR ISRAEL

Congregation Ohr Torah is pleased to invite the entire community to welcome the dynamic Yakir Wachstock, head of the charitable organization 'Boots for Israel'. Yakir will be speaking on Shabbat Parashat Devarim, August 2nd, at the Hashkama minyan (7:45 AM), the Young Family Minyan (9:15 AM), and the Main minyan (9:00 AM) following the conclusion of davening. He will also speak Shabbat afternoon, in the Social Hall at 5:00 PM, prior to Mincha (5:45 PM).

ISRAELI DANCE

Israeli dance is open to all women of the community in Ohr Torah's social hall

alternating Wednesday nights from 8-9PM. This is a free session for all dance enthusiasts where multiple participants teach old and new dances. Class now on hiatus for summer. Future dates: Sept 3, Sept 17 and Oct 22. Info naomi.caplan@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

RPRY NEWS & EVENTS

-Advertise in the RPRY Calendar!

Do you have a business you'd like to promote to the HP/Edison/East Brunswick community and beyond? RPRY PLUS is actively preparing the printed RPRY school calendar for this upcoming school year. This calendar is sent to all families and staff. Your business will be seen by hundreds of people! Full year ad: \$365

Half Year ad (appears every other month): \$265
Deadline to place ad 9PM Monday 7/28. To place ad, <https://tinyurl.com/RPRYCal2025> Pay via check Questions, Email RPRYPLUS@gmail.com.

-RPRY PLUS returns to Von Thun's Farms!

RPRY PLUS is selling tickets for the Sunflower Trail Festival in August as well as the Fall Festival in Sept! Tickets cost \$18pp (that's less than retail!!). Tickets cost \$17 each if you bundle both festivals! (Each bundle costs \$34) These tickets can be used ONE TIME ONLY per festival event. Proceeds from ticket sales help support RPRY PLUS programming! Sunflower Trail Festival tickets can be used weekends in August: 8/3, 8/10, 8/17, 8/24 and 8/31

***Please note, the Sunflower Festival is located at the Washington Township location (approx 50 minutes from RPRY) at: 438 Route 57 West, Washington Twp, New Jersey 07882.

Fall Festival Tickets can be used on one of 3 weekends, 9/14, 9/21 or 9/28!

***Fall Festival is located at the South Brunswick Location (approx 20 Minutes from RPRY) at: 519 Ridge Rd, South Brunswick, NJ 08852.

Deadline for Sunflower festival and ticket bundles sales due by 7/20. Fall Festival ticket sale deadline 8/20. To order <https://tinyurl.com/RPRYFarmTicket25> Contact RPRYPLUS@gmail.com with questions

CHAI LIFELINE SEEKS VOLUNTEERS

Chai lifeline is looking for local volunteers! Are you around during the day and want to get involved? Please reach out to Sara Scott at 5165260941 if you are interested to learn more and help with the many needs that may come up. Thank you and Tizku lemitzvos!

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

Sh'nainu Shidduch Group of Edison & HP is a volunteer shidduch group that assists Orthodox Jewish singles, of all ages and hashkafot. We would like to get to know you Please reach out to us via email. Info/to submit your profile email us at: shidduchedisonhp@gmail.com Thank you.

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! teicher@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 Balaktime) Questions 732 572 7181

SUBSCRIBE TO Ohr Torah emails:

--**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 Etz Chayim Tree, submit your order at <https://ohrtorah.net/tree-of-life> or <https://ohrtorah.net/yahrzeit-plaque>

For more info, email plaques@ohrtorah.net.

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 SHLEIMAH 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 Devarim

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Mincha-Maariv:	6:45, 7:30 & 8:00 PM

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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.