



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements



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Parshat Shemot

Tevet 21 5786

January 10, 2026

Candlelighting:	4:31 PM
Mincha/Kabolas Shabbos:	4:40 (MS)
Shacharis: 7:45 (SH), 9:00 (MS), 9:15 (YFM)	
<i>Hashkama Speaker: Rabbi Yishai Valter</i>	
<i>YFM Speaker: Rabbi Dovid Rauch</i>	
Sof Zman Krias Shma:	9:42AM
<i>Rabbi Malitzky's Gemara Avodah Zarah Shiur</i>	
	3:35 pm
Mincha (MS):	1:45, 4:25 PM
<i>Shalosh Seudos Speaker: R. Josh Rapps</i>	
Maariv	5:35 PM
Shabbos Ends:	5:40 PM
Weekday Shacharis:	
Sun	7:15, 8:00 & 9:00 AM
<i>Rabbi Sauer's Daf Yomi Be'Yun Shiur</i>	
<i>After 7:15 Shacharis</i>	
Mon., Thu.	6:15, 7:05, 8 AM
<i>Earliest Talis and Tefillin: 6:22 Monday, 6:21 Thursday</i>	
Tue., Wed. Fri.	6:30, 7:10, 8 AM
<i>There is an additional 9 AM Shacharis every Friday</i>	
Weekday Mincha/Maariv	4:40 PM
Early Mincha (Sun.)	1:00 PM
Maariv:	7:30 and 10:10 PM
<i>No 7:30 Maariv on Sunday</i>	
<u>DAF YOMI SCHEDULE</u>	
Daf Yomi is starting a new Masechta, Maseches Menachos, this Tuesday, January 13. It is an ideal time to start the Daf & learn the basic Halochos of Tefillin & Tzitzis	
Monday-Thursday: after 7:30 PM Maariv	
Friday night: after Kabolas Shabbos	
Shabbos: 45 minutes before Mincha	
Sunday: after 8 AM Shacharis	

YFM CHABURA

The YFM Chabura is sponsored anonymously as Hakaras HaTov to Arkady Broder for all of his hard work and dedication during his presidency.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush is co-sponsored by:
-Mira and Mark Epstein in commemoration of the Yahrzeit of Mark's father, Sigmund N. Epstein, R' Nachman B'R Yitzchak HaLevi Z"L
-Rebecca Bick, Jackie Bienenstock and Bonnie and Evan Orgel in commemoration of the Yahrzeit of their father, Elliott Bienenstock, Eliyahu Avraham ben Yichazkel Shraga Z"L.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shalosh Seudos is co-sponsored by: Shoshana and Ted Diskind to commemorate the Yahrzeit of Shoshana's father, Max Hecht, Mordechai ben Shmuel Z"L.
-Rabbi Josh and Rena Einzig, on the 18th Yartzheit of Rabbi Einzig's mother, Miriam Einzig, Miriam Bat Yehoshua A"H

MAZEL TOV

... to Herb Engel and family on the birth of a granddaughter to Alana and Eric Kaplan.
...to Bella and Henry Lerner on the birth of a great grandson, a son, born to their grandchildren Meira and Shmuel Unterberg. Mazel Tov to his two brothers and two sisters, to great grandparent Bernice Epstein, and to grandparents Sharon and Shlomo Lerner, and to the many Aunts, Uncles and cousins in the family.
...to Lynn and Neer Even-Hen on the engagement of their daughter Tamar to Michael Poliakov from Givat Shmuel Israel. Mazel Tov to Tamar's sisters Yael and Nina, Michael's parents and siblings and to the extended families.
... to Penina and Asaf Shmuel on a birth of a grandson, a son, born to their children Rachel and Yosef Bram. Mazel Tov to Yosef's parents, Hadar & Harris Bram, to the great grandparents Sara Herzberg, Sherry & Bernie Perlowitz, Michal & Avner Shmuel and the entire Bram and Shmuel family.
...Mussie and Yosef Tseitkin on the birth of a baby boy, Yehuda Noam. Mazel Tov to big brother Ariel and to the proud grandparents.

NIGHT SEDER

Mazel Tov to our night Seder Chaburah who just finished the second Perek of Berachos. Join us between 9-10:10 PM and learn Berachos with a Chavrusa. Hear a Chabura on a topic on that week's Daf every Thursday night!

CHUMASH SHIUR FOR MEN & WOMEN 9AM ON TUESDAYS

All men and women are encouraged to join us on Tuesday mornings for "Parsha Explorations: An in-depth analysis" with Rabbi Yitzhak Grossman.

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS LEARNING

High school boys' weekly Friday night learning 8:00 in OT's Beis Midrash.

SISTERHOOD COFFEE & CONNECTIONS

Join us this Shabbos for the start of a cozy morning tradition. Women of all ages- stop by alone, with a friend, or with your child! Upstairs conference room for muffins, fruit and coffee 10:30 am until the start of Kiddush Sponsored by the Ohr Torah Sisterhood

SHIUR FOR WOMEN 10AM ON WEDNESDAYS

All women of every age and background are invited to join us at 10AM in the Beis Medrash for a Shiur with Rabbi Malitzky.

747 SHIUR

Join us Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday morning this week from 7:47 to 7:57 and change your understanding and perspective of davening. Stay 10 minutes after the 7:10 or come 10 minutes early to the 8 and learn Rav Moshe Wolfson's incredible sefer Va'ani Tefilla

SEMICHAS CHAVER PROGRAM

Join us weekly Motzei Shabboses at 8pm, when we discuss Hilchos Bassar Bchalah

GEMARA SHIUR

Can Jews get together to drink coffee at Starbucks? What might be the concern? Is the physical makeup and health profile of Jews the same as that of non-Jews? Does medical research conducted on non-Jews fully apply to Jews as well? Join us for a timely and engaging discussion.

THURSDAY NIGHT LIVE

All men and women are encouraged to join us for an interesting, engaging, and inspiring Thursday Night Live this Thursday (1/15). The Thursday night Live is generously dedicated by Larry and Miriam Greenman and family I'zecher nishmas Larry's father, Reb Gershon Mordechai ben Reb Yehoshua Menachem whose Yahrzeit is on the 23rd of Tevet and Miriam's father, Rav Yosef Yochanan ben Rav Avraham whose yahrzeit is the 27th of Tevet.

GET TO KNOW OUR MEMBERS

DONNY AND SIGAL EPSTEIN

Sigal and Donny Epstein have been part of the Or Torah community for 10 years, though Donny is a true lifer! Donny was born and raised here in Edison, and ventured into NY to meet Sigal. Donny is a partner at EPSTEIN | OSTROVE, LLC, a trial law and litigation firm widely recognized for its client-centered approach and outstanding case results. He has also produced many Broadway shows and some films, most notably Paper Clips, a documentary regarding the holocaust
Sigal grew up in San Diego, California and made her way back East for college. She is a stay-at-home mom and the family CEO. Donny and Sigal feel honored to raise their children in the same warm and inspiring community in which Donny grew up. They are the proud parents of Harry, 8, Celia, 6, Charlie, 4, and Solly 2, all of whom attend RPRY. You can find them on any given Shabbat morning davening at the bimah,

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

playing in groups, or exploring the halls of Ohr Torah.

The Epsteins love baseball season, to grill at home, and to visit with family and friends.

REACH OUT:

Donny: 732-500-3094

d.epstein@epsteinostrove.com

Sigal: 858-663-7785

Sigalepstein@gmail.com

LUNCH & LEARN

Wednesday, Feb 18th Noon-2pm

Cong Ohr Torah Social Hall

Registration and Pre-payment \$20.pp is

Required! Register at:

www.ohrtorah.net/lunch-learn

deadline: Feb 16th Payment can be made at registration by 1) credit card at checkout.

or 2) Zelle: payohrtorah@gmail.com or

3) check made out to Cong. Ohr Torah and

mailed or placed in the shul mailbox at 48 Edgemount Road, Edison NJ 08817

Questions: Contact: Landl@ohrtorah.net

"ORTHODOXED"

Awarded 2021 Best Jewish Documentary, Authentic Culture Award and Diversity Award

"ORTHODOXED" chronicles the

transformative journey of Beryl Solomon,

from a life deeply entrenched in drug dealing

and the nightclub business to becoming a

Lubavitcher Chassid. See and hear about

"Where Beryl Was" and "Where Beryl Is

Today"

ABSOLUTELY UPLIFTING AND

EXTRAORDINARY!

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

JEWISH FORUM OF RARITAN VALLEY

Jewish Life on US College Campuses: Has Anything Changed?

Join The Jewish Community Forum of Raritan Valley on Saturday night, January 10, at

Congregation Ohav Emeth, Highland Park at 8:00pm, with Rabbi Josh Ross, Managing Director

of the OU Collegiate & Young Professionals Division and Executive Director Jewish Learning Initiative on Campus, on the topic, "Jewish Life on

US College Campuses: Has Anything Changed?". Rabbi Josh Ross earned a double BA in History and

Philosophy from Dalhousie University in Canada before dedicating eight years to Yeshiva learning

in Israel. Upon returning to North America, Rabbi Ross and his wife Rivky began their impactful work

as JLIC Directors on campus, first spending three transformative years at Cornell, followed by

another three at Princeton, where they became beloved fixtures in the campus Jewish community.

Rabbi Ross's journey with JLIC has been one of natural progression and deepening impact: from

hands-on campus work to Deputy Director, and now as Executive Director, where he continues to

guide and inspire Jewish students across university campuses in North America and Israel.

For more info about the Jewish Community Forum of Raritan Valley go to www.jcforumrv.org .

This Saturday Night

To view live online via Zoom

use: <http://bit.ly/3Ldq2Y7>

This Motzei Shabbos 8PM at Cong. Ohav Emeth

415 Raritan Ave HP.

The Jewish Community Forum of Raritan Valley is

a grassroots organization and relies on community

donations to fund our programs. Donations of any amount are appreciated. Please consider becoming

a season supporter for \$200 or an announced event sponsor for \$500.

Donation may be addressed to Congregation Ohr Torah Gemach Fund (memo: Jewish

Community Forum), 48 Edgemount Rd, Edison, NJ 08817.

email jcforumrv@gmail.com or visit our

website: www.jcforumrv.org

DR. PRESBY'S SHIUR

DR PRESBY Continues to GIVE Beautiful Shiurim.

On Shabbos at 4 o'clock at his home on Lincoln

Avenue, and Tuesday night at his home at 8 PM.

ISRAELI DANCE CLASS IS BACK!

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

Wednesday nights from 8-9PM. This is a free session for all dance enthusiasts where multiple

participants teach old and new dances. Our next class dates are: Jan 28, Feb 4, Feb 18, March 4

and March 18. For more info, email naomi.caplan@gmail.com

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. Info Sharon Glaser

sharonnglaser@gmail.com Or text 732-887-3653

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: 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: Mrs. Miri Cohen Tues mornings 9:15AM. 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 OT. Text Nechama 347-909-2755 to confirm.

Emunah Chaburah: monthly shiur by Rabbi Gedaliah Jaffe 1st Tues 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.com for hours. Comments and questions, 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)

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 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 luddeju@gmail.com or 732-572-5633.

KEILIM MIKVAH HOURS : Ohr Torah Keilim Mikvah hours are officially Sundays 7 AM-8 PM.

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_erv 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 Va'era

Candlelighting 4:38 PM

Mincha-Maariv 4:45 PM

Ohr Torah can be found at <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.