



# Congregation Ohr Torah

## Weekly Announcements



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**Parshat Emor**

**Iyar 15, 5786**

**May 2, 2026**

**Candlelighting:** 7:35 PM  
**Pre-Plag Mincha** 5:45 PM  
**Mincha/Kabolas Shabbos: 6:45(SH), 7:40 (MS) PM**  
**Shacharis: 7:45 (SH), 9:00 (MS), 9:15 (YFM)**  
*Hashkama Speaker: Rabbi Rafi Kreitman*  
*YFM Speaker: Rabbi Malitzky*  
 Sof Zman Krias Shma: 9:25 AM  
*Rabbi Malitzky's Gemara Avodah Zarah Shiur*  
 6:35 PM

**Mincha (MS): 1:45, 6:00 7:25 PM**  
*Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Elihu Chomsky*

**Maariv 8:39 PM**  
**Shabbos Ends: 8:44 PM**

**Weekday Shacharis:**  
**Sun 7:15, 8:00 & 9:00 AM**  
*Rabbi Sauer's Daf Yomi Be'Iyun Shiur*  
*After 7:15 AM Shacharis*

**Mon, Thu 6:15, 7:05, 8 AM**  
**Tue, Wed, .Fri. 6:30, 7:10, 8 .AM**  
*There is an additional 9 AM Shacharis every Friday*

**Weekday Mincha/ Maariv 7:45 PM**  
**Early Mincha (Sun.) 1:45 PM**  
**Late Maariv: 10:10 PM**

**DAF YOMI SCHEDULE**

Daf Yomi is starting a new Masechta, Maseches Chullin, this Shabbos. This is an ideal time to start Daf Yomi!  
 Mon -Fri. - after Maariv  
 Shabbos - 45 min before Mincha  
 Sunday - after 8 AM Shacharis

**HSASHKAMA KIDDUSH**

Hashkama Kiddush is sponsored by Debbi and Alex Diament to commemorate the 2nd Yahrzeit of their mother, Rebbitzin Libby Sharfman, Liba Raiza bat Avraham Shabtai, A"H and the 5th Yahrzeit of their brother Jack Diament, Yaacov Simcha ben Alter Meir Dovid, A"H.

**KIDDUSH**

Kiddush is sponsored by Nitza and Russell Adler to commemorate the Yahrzeit of Russell's father, Milton Adler, Mordechai Ben Hachaver Yehuda.

**SHALOSH SEUDOS**

Shalosh Seudos is sponsored by the Chomsky family to commemorate the 18<sup>th</sup> Yahrzeit of their beloved mother, Lillian, Rebbetzin Layah bas Aryeh Mordechai Chaim and Henya Devorah Chaya, Z"L

**SHABBAT AFTERNOON PIRKEI AVOT SERIES**

Rabbi Josh Rapps will BE"H give a Shiur on the Perek of the week L'Iyuv Nishmat his sister, Tzirel Tehila Bas HaRv Moshe A"H. 11 Edgemount Road, 4:45 [P.M.to](#) allow for attending 6 pm Mincha.

**MAZEL TOV**

... to Lorraine and Abe Schwartzbard on the forthcoming marriage of their grandson Josh Farkas of Cedarhurst to Dalia Baum of Boca Raton. Mazel Tov to Josh's parents Amy and Shmuel Farkas and Dalia's parents Jeff and Greta Baum.

...to Sharon and Edward Lowinger on the engagement of their daughter, Danielle to Mendel Fogel of Flatbush, NY. Mazel Tov to the siblings David, Nava and Michael and the grandmother Helen Cooperberg, to Mendel's parents, Rabbi Moshe and Rochel Fogel and all his siblings.

...Didi Deitcher and David Matthew on the Bbris this past Wednesday of their grandson, Chaim Mordechai. Mazel Tov to their children, Joseph and Rivka Matthew in Israel, to Rivka's parents, Annie Hakimi and Daniel Hakimi; and to the entire extended families.

**LUNCH & LEARN**

SAVE THE DATE WED, JUNE 17<sup>th</sup>  
 Look out for Confirmed Details soon to follow...

**SEMICHAS CHAVER**

The Semichas Chaver program just started a new program. Join us on Monday nights at 9pm, as we delve into kashrus halachos such as sinks, dishwashers, Yayin Nesech, and many more. Please reach out to R' Yoni Goldberg 516-491-4982 with any questions.

**SUNDAY MORNING GEMARA SHIUR FOR 6<sup>th</sup> AN 7<sup>th</sup> GRADE BOYS**

All 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys are invited to join Rabbi Malitzky for an engaging Gemara shiur from 9:45-10:30 on Sunday mornings! Hope to see you there!

**NIGHT SEDER- STARTED A NEW PEREK- FINISH AN AMAZING PEREK IN 4.5 WEEKS**

Join us from 9:00-10:10 PM as we embark on an exciting journey through a daf a week of Gemara Berachos. Be part of a lively chevra, all learning the same material, and enjoy a weekly shiur on Thursday nights at 9:30 PM with R' Yoni Goldberg and Rabbi Malitzky. Come whenever you can, as often as you can.

**WEDNESDAY SHIUR FOR WOMEN**

Our Wednesday morning Shiur for women will meet at 10am this Wednesday.

**747 SHIUR**

747 Shiur: Will meet Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday of this week.

**PARSHA EXPLORATIONS: - AN IN-DEPTH ANALYSIS**

Are you retired? Do you start your work day late? Join us for a daytime Shiur with Rabbi Grossman.

TUESDAY MORNINGS 9AM  
 OT BEIS MEDRASH  
 OPEN TO MEN & WOMEN

**HARAV ASHER WEISS – NEXT SHABBOS**

It is a great honor and a unique opportunity for our shul to hear a stirring derasha from the renowned talmid chacham and gadol, HaGaon Rav Asher Weiss. Rav Asher will deliver the derasha in the main shul after davening, at approximately 10:45 AM.

Rav Asher Weiss, from Jerusalem, is among the most renowned and respected international halachic authorities today. Born a Klausenberg chasid, Rav Weiss has developed a unique blend of extraordinary Torah knowledge coupled with a profound grasp of modern science, medicine, and technology.

A prolific writer, Rav Weiss has authored over 40 seforim, including the popular "Minchas Asher" series on Parsha. In addition, Rav Weiss serves as a highly respected Av Beis Din, is the posek of Shaarei Tzedek Hospital, and is the Nasi of Bais Medrash Zichron Shabsai V'Aryeh for Rabbinic Training.

His weekly shiurim draws thousands of listeners, from all sectors of Israeli society. Rav Weiss is equally sought after and welcomed in the halls of Yeshivot Hesder, Chasidic Yeshivos, and Modern Orthodox institutions alike. His sensitivity, warmth, and deep love for all Jews, has led him to be sought out for his guidance by Rabbinic figures and communities world-wide.

**ISRAELI DANCE CLASS**

Israeli dance is open to all women of the community in Ohr Torah's social hall on alternating Wed nights 8-9PM. This is a free session for all dance enthusiasts where multiple participants teach old and new dances. Class dates are: April 29, May 6, 20, June 16, 24. For info, email

[naomi.caplan@gmail.com](mailto:naomi.caplan@gmail.com)

**THURSDAY NIGHT LIVE**

All men and women are encouraged to join Rabbi Malitzky for an interesting, engaging,

**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**

and inspiring Thursday night Live at 9:15 on Thursday night (5/7). Join the magic!! Please reach out if you are interested in sponsoring this incredible learning experience.

### **YOM YERUSHALAYIM**

Join us on the eve of Yom Yerushalayim Thursday night, May 14th, at 8:30 PM in the OT Social Hall for an unforgettable evening with our special guest speaker, Rabbi Yotav Eliach, as we come together to celebrate one of the most remarkable days in Jewish history! Rabbi Eliach will inspire and captivate audiences of all ages with his riveting presentation and exciting film clips, bringing the story of "Jerusalem — The heart of the Jewish Nation" to life in a powerful and meaningful way. Delicious food will be served, and we warmly encourage every member of our community, young and old alike, to join us for this special celebration. Don't miss it! Please help sponsor this program at:

<http://ohrtorah.net/yom-yerushalayim>

### **OT SISTERHOOD SHALOSH SEUDOS**

Come on your own or bring a friend for a women only Shalosh Seudos. Featuring pre-Shavuot inspiration by Sarah Keane. May 16th 5:30pm, Redlich backyard 37 Edgemount Road

### **COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **RABBI JACOB JOSEPH YESHIVA ANNUAL DINNER**

The annual RJJ Dinner will take place Sunday evening, May 10<sup>th</sup> at Bell Works, Holmdel, New Jersey. The Yeshiva will be honoring the memory of Rabbi Dr. Israel Rivkin Z"L. For info and reservations please call the Yeshiva office 732-985-6533, or email [RJJ@RJJ.EDU](mailto:RJJ@RJJ.EDU).

#### **RPRY**

RPRY Names, Not Numbers®  
Join us on Tuesday, May 12!

#### **SAVE THE DATE – WOMEN'S COMEDY NIGHT**

Attention women of Edison/Highland Park! Join us for a fun and uplifting women's-only comedy night featuring Zeya Comedy Sunday, May 17 at 7PM. Enjoy an evening of laughter while supporting the Lefkovits Family Park Mikvah. Details to follow!

#### **AHAVAS YISROEL**

Everyone is invited as Congregation Ahavas Yisrael (AY) breaks ground on its new building. The groundbreaking ceremony will take place at AY, 1587 Lincoln Highway, at 10:00 AM this Sunday, May 3.

To contribute to the building fund, use [A New Home for Ahavas Yisrael | The Chesed Fund](https://s4c.thechesedfund.com/ayedison/raffle2026) for donations, or <https://s4c.thechesedfund.com/ayedison/raffle2026> to purchase a raffle ticket.

For more information or to inquire about sponsorship opportunities, please reach out to Rabbi Gedaliah Jaffe ([rabbi@ayedison.org](mailto:rabbi@ayedison.org)) or Dani Davis (917-518-2459).

#### **NETIVOT**

Join us at "Cornerstones: Netivot's Gala" Dinner on Sunday, May 3, honoring Matt Hale and Carrie Mitnick, and Herman and Edith Itzkowitz. 6pm. cocktail hour, 7pm. dinner, 511 Ryders Lane, East Brunswick, NJ. Place your ad and book your tickets at [mynetivot.com/gala](http://mynetivot.com/gala).

#### **MESORAH NJ 10TH ANNIVERSARY SIYUM & DINNER**

Celebrating 10 years of reconnecting Jewish young professionals across New Jersey, and honoring Mr. Avi Tobias. Sunday May 3, 7 pm at Rutgers Hillel. For Dinner Reservations / Ad Journals / Donations visit [crowdspark.com/mesorahnj/mysiyum](http://crowdspark.com/mesorahnj/mysiyum)

#### **LOOKING FOR BAKERS FOR SHAVUOT BAKE SALE 2026!!!**

Shavuot Bake Sale for ADI Negev will take place on Tuesday, May 19th at 7-9 pm at Cong. Ohav Emeth (415 Raritan Avenue, Highland Park) from 7-9pm. All of the baked goods were baked in people's home and not under the supervision of O. E. Please come out and support ISRAEL and this wonderful organization. ADI Negev- Nahalat Eran, a one-of-a-kind rehabilitation village in Israel's south that empowers children and young adults with severe disabilities and pioneers cutting edge therapeutic and recovery services for anyone touched by disability, including the many war-wounded civilians and IDF soldiers from the hardest hit communities in the Negev. For well over two years the Kaylie Rehabilitation Medical Center at ADI Negev- Nahalat Eran - the first and only fully dedicated rehabilitation hospital in southern Israel- has been a lifeline for more than 100 war-wounded IDF soldiers and reservists from the Negev, providing them with the highest-level medical, rehabilitative and emotional care available.

#### **JOSEPH KUSHNER HEBREW ACADEMY**

Join us for the Joseph Kushner Hebrew Academy/Rae Kushner Yeshiva High School 78th Annual Dinner on Wednesday, May 6, 2026 at 6:00 PM at JKHA/RKYHS.

We are proud to honor Sandy and Avi Steiner as our Guests of Honor, celebrate Rabbi Dovid Sukenik with the Educational Excellence Award, and recognize Haley and Max Vogel with the Young Leadership Award. Reserve your seat and place an ad today at [www.jkha.org/dinner](http://www.jkha.org/dinner). For more information, contact Aly Greenstein at 862-437-8001 or [agreenstein@jkha.org](mailto:agreenstein@jkha.org).

#### **DR. PRESBY'S SHUR**

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.

#### **NORPAC 2026 – 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 Wednesday, May 13, as we travel to Washington, DC. On a single-day trip, you will be meeting with Members of Congress and their staff and share your concerns with them about Iran, antisemitism, security cooperation and more. Help us make a difference once again!

Buses will be leaving 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 now for the Early Bird Discount at [www.norpac.net](http://www.norpac.net) or call (201) 788-5133. Adults \$250. Full time Students - \$125 (must be over 12. Those under 18 must be accompanied by a Parent or a legal guardian) For info, contact Marc Hanfling, Daid Moskovic, Meyer Berg, Barry Wolf.

#### **COMMUNITY LECTURE**

Exclusive Community Lecture – Rescheduled to June 21st at 7pm due to the Iran war. Join us for a powerful and eye-opening evening featuring Lt. Col. (Res.) "Abu Daoud," an Israeli intelligence commander with over 20 years of experience in Israel's most secretive defense organizations,

including the IDF and Shin Bet (Shabak). This rare presentation, "The Hidden Side of the War: Inside Agent Recruitment & Terrorist Interrogation," will offer an inside look at how Israeli intelligence operations have saved countless lives and helped shape key battles in the Gaza Strip. Saturday Night, June 21<sup>st</sup>. Security will be provided. RSVP to receive confirmation  
RSVP: [learninginstitute@yieb.org](mailto:learninginstitute@yieb.org)

#### **BIKUR CHOLIM**

Bikur Cholim of Raritan Valley is looking for volunteers to visit local seniors who are homebound. If you can help out with this mitzvah please call Cindy Baruch at 908-309-8818.

#### **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](mailto: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](http://mikvahcloud.com) for hours. Comments and questions, [hpmikvah@gmail.com](mailto:hpmikvah@gmail.com)

#### **BIKUR CHOLIM**

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

-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](mailto: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

#### **SUBSCRIBE TO Ohr Torah emails:**

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--TO RECEIVE ALL OT EMAILS: Send your full name and email address to [mailmaster@ohrtorah.net](mailto:mailmaster@ohrtorah.net)

**KIDDUSH SPONSORSHIP:** To sponsor Kiddush or reserve Kiddush room contact Reuben Atlas or Elie Wiesel at [reservations@ohrtorah.net](mailto: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](mailto:plaques@ohrtorah.net).

**HOUSEKEEPING:** Housekeeping issues and inquiries contact Lou Smith [ludeeju@gmail.com](mailto:ludeeju@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](http://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](mailto:reenagreenspan@yahoo.com) or

Gene Wasserman 732-397-0130 or [genew@compugene.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:david@weintraub.name)

**Parshat Behar-Bechukotai**

Candlelighting

7:42 PM

Mincha-Maariv

7:50 PM

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