



# Congregation Ohr Torah

## Weekly Announcements



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48 Edgemount Road, Edison, NJ 08817

**Shavout 5786**

**Sivan 6, 5786**

**May 22, 2026**

### See Shavuot Schedule

#### Weekday Shacharis:

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

*Rabbi Sauer's Daf Yomi Be'Yun Shiur  
cancelled this week*

**Mon. (Memorial Day) 7:05, 8:00 & 9:00 AM**

**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 8:05 PM**

**Early Mincha (Sun.) 1:45 PM**

**Late Maariv: 10:10 PM**

#### DAF YOMI SCHEDULE FOR SHAVUOS

Thursday Night - 11:30PM

Friday & Shabbos - 45 min before Mincha

### KIDDUSH – SHAVUOS I

Kiddush the 1st day of Shavuot is sponsored by the Shul.

### HASHKAMA KIDDUSH SHAVUOS II

Kiddush at the Hashkama Minyan on Shabbos, the second day of Shavuot, is sponsored by Mel Barenholtz in commemoration of the Yahrzeit, Bo Bayom, of his father, Yehuda Zev ben Levi Yitzhak Hacohen, A"H.

### KIDDUSH – SHABBOS/SHAVUOS II

Kiddush the 2nd day of Shavuot is co sponsored by:

-Shoshana and Ted Diskind in memory of the Yahrzeit of Shoshana's mother, Malka bas Aryeh Dov [Leib Ber] Hecht A"H.

-Bonnie Schwartz to commemorate the Yahrzeit of her brother, Larry Kletter, Yehuda Aryeh Ben Meir A"H and to commemorate the Yahrzeit of her grandfather, Max Beck, Mordechai Shlomo ben Yosef Aharon A"H

### SHALOSH SEUDOS-SHABBOS/SHAVUOS

Shalosh Seudos is co-sponsored by:

-Debbie and Moshe Schneider to commemorate the Yahrzeit of Moshe's grandmother, Perel Cooper, Perel Devorah bas Yaakov Kopol A"H, and Grandfather, Jacob Schneider, Yaakov ben Eliezer A"H .

-Aviva & Barry Siegel in memory of Aviva's mother Chava bas Avigdor Z"L

### NEILAS HACHAG/SHALOSH SEUDOS

Everyone is encouraged to join us for a meaningful Neilas Hachag as we close out the Yom Tov of Shavuot with Niggunim and Divrei Torah.

### OT SHAVUOT TORAH BOWL

This Sshabbos!!! Second Day Shavuot 5PM - 6PM. 1st - 5th Grade, OT Social Hall Children & Parents - Rita's will be served

### MAZEL TOV

...to Rachel & Alan Kluger and Judy Schonfeld on the birth of a grandson, a son born to their children Willy and Chanie Kluger in Los Angeles. Mazel Tov to big brothers Chaim and Michoel, great-grandmother Judy Wohlgemuth, aunts and uncles; Reena & Michael, Tzirel and Jonny, Jakey, and Joanne and Stan Zimmerman, and the entire extended Kluger, Zimmerman, Wohlgemuth, Schonfeld and Klausner families.

...to Dr. Dalya and Harry Chefitz upon Dalya's being honored by the FD Now Foundation for her devoted and compassionate care for children with FD, and being named the Philip Bach FD Hero Awardee for 2026 to be presented at the Sephardic Temple Cedarhurst, NY on May 26, 2026

### SHABBOS MORNING POST HASHKAMA

#### SHIUR-RABBI SHLOMO SHULMAN

"Trading Shifts, Turning on Lights, and Giving Away Lunch: Rav Shlomo Zalman Auerbach ZT"L on Pikuach Nefesh". Shlomo Shulman is a popular Maggid Shiur in Baltimore, Maryland and is visiting our community for Shavuot.

### SHAVUOS SCHEDULE

#### First Day:

Candle lighting: 7:55 PM

Don't forget Eruv Tavshilin

Mincha 8:00 PM

Speaker: Rabbi Malitzky

Maariv 8:57 PM

Alos HaShachar: 4:23 AM

Early Shacharis: 5:00 AM

Sunrise: 5:35 AM

Main Minyan Shacharis 9:00 AM

Sof Zman Shema: 9:14 AM

Pre Plag Mincha 5:45 PM

Candle lighting 7:55 PM

Mincha/Maariv: 6:45 & 8:00 PM

#### Second Day:

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

Yizkor not before 9:00 and 10:30.

*Hashkama Speaker: Rabbi Malitzky*

Early Mincha 1:45 & 6:00 PM

Mincha: 7:50 PM

*Followed by Shalosh Seudos/Neilas Hachag*

Maariv: 9:00 PM

Shabbos/YomTov ends: 9:05 PM

### SHIUR FIRST DAY SHAVUOS

Are you not staying up all night on Shavuot? Don't worry — you can still have a meaningful learning experience this Shavuot. In lieu of a Drasha, Rabbi Malitzky will be giving a Shiur at the conclusion of davening on Friday, the first day of Yom Tov. The Shiur, "*Flags in Our Shuls: A Fascinating Interplay of Halacha and Hashkafa*," is a follow-up to the comments he made in this past week's Drasha. Flags in Shul were a major flashpoint in the 1950s, and he will explore how some of the greatest Poskim around the world addressed the issue in real time.

### TIKUN LEIL SHAVUOS

12 AM- Rabbi E. Kaufman What To Do When All Else Fails

1 AM Dovid Abramovitz: Halachic Misconceptions

2 AM Rabbi S. Miodownik: Frankenstein in Halacha

3 AM Rabbi N. Whittenburg: Commitment to the Klal

4 AM Doni Schanzer: The In-between Ger: Understanding Geirus and the Formation of Jewish Identity.

### TIKUN YOM SHAVUOS

Please join us Shabbos afternoon for an afternoon of meaningful learning.

6:15-7:00:

Ms. Chani Gottlieb- Harvest of Hope- Lessons from the Book of Ruth- for women in the social hall

Rabbi Yaakov Luban- Complimenting Others- Did You Know it's a Mitzvah Dioraysa?- for men in the main shul

7:05-7:50- Rabbi Sarel Malitzky- The Teshuva that Shaped a City: RPRY or the Mikvah?

### CONDOLENCES

Congregation Ohr Torah extends sincere condolences to Shoshana Diskind on the recent loss of her brother, David Hecht, A"H. May you be comforted amongst the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

### SHAVUOT-VISITING EDUCATOR

#### MS. CHANI GOTTLIEB

Ohr Torah is proud to announce that Ms. Chani Gottlieb will be joining us this Shavuot. Ms. Gottlieb will give Shiurim Shavuot night for girls and women of all ages and deliver a Shiur for women on Shabbos afternoon (2nd day of Shavuot).

Ms. Chani Gottlieb is a dynamic educator, currently teaching in two prestigious girls'

**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**

high schools in New York. In addition, she lectures around the world to diverse audiences that span the gamut of Orthodox Jewry. Born and educated in Israel, Chani successfully integrates the best of Israel's yeshiva education with her high-level academic training. She holds a BA in science earned in Israel, and a master's degree in Judaic studies earned in the USA. In her lectures, Chani analyzes contemporary issues through the lens of diverse Jewish thinkers. Her insights, gained by a rigorous approach to text, appeal to both intellectuals and laymen alike. She has developed and implemented a unique curriculum for Jewish genealogy research which has exposed her to hundreds of personal narratives of multi-generational Jewish families. This work, together with her interviewing of Holocaust survivors for the Spielberg Shoah Foundation, provides Chani with a reservoir of memoirs to draw from, helping her to bring history to life for her audiences.

### **LEGAL HOLIDAY SHIUR** **MONDAY MAY 25<sup>TH</sup>**

Please join us for breakfast and a shiur after the 8am Minyan on Memorial day, Monday May 25th. The Shiur, "Music in the Beis Hamikdash" will be given by Rav Gedalia Jaffe. Please reach out to Russell Adler at [russadler613@gmail.com](mailto:russadler613@gmail.com) if you are interested in sponsoring the Shiur

### **SHAVUOS FLOWERS**

The flower arrangements for Shavuot are being donated by Mimi and Charles Gershbaum and Lori & Leslie Ney, commemorating the Yahrzeit of Mimi's grandmother and Leslie's mother, Margit Ney, Pearl bas Yitzchok, Z"L.

### **FLOWER SPONSORSHIP**

Ohr Torah once again planted flowers into the concrete planters in front of the building in an effort to beautify the exterior of our Shul. We are looking for \$50 sponsors per planter to help defray the cost of the flowers. If you would like to sponsor a planter, please contact Payam Hanian ([payamhanian@gmail.com](mailto:payamhanian@gmail.com)) or Leslie Ney ([lesney@att.net](mailto:lesney@att.net)).

### **SEMICHAS CHAVER**

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.

### **SHAVUOS NIGHT SPONSORSHIP**

Thank you to the following for sponsoring Shavuot night programs:

-Main Shul - Eserner Family in memory of Michael Eserner, Menachem Mendel Ben Yitzchok.

-Boys program - Haller Family in memory of their parents Avraham Shmuel ben Zev, Mashe bas Ben Zion, Baruch ben Zev, Zipporah Malkah Bas Saul.

-Girls program - Lisa & Barry Schanzer Family in memory of Lisa's mother Iytah bas Nason Leib.

### **MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

The Housing team has been working continuously since the elevator situation began, investigating the best course of action and meeting with multiple vendors to identify a reputable company that can complete the work properly and at a fair price.

The Board approved the plan for the elevator repairs and refurbishment.

There will be a membership meeting on Thursday, June 4 at 8:30 PM in the main Shul to vote on the elevator project.

### **WELCOME NEW MEMBER – JULIA JAMAN**

Originally from Moscow, Russia, and later Brooklyn, NY, the Jamans moved to Edison in January 2009. Although they officially joined the shul this past April, they have been familiar faces at Ohr Torah for many years.

Julia serves as the Senior Director of Talent Acquisition for a nursing home consulting company. In addition, she runs a local chess organization, It Takes A Village, that assists single parents in the community, and she is always looking for volunteers to help support this important work. Her children are Shoshana (25), who is working; Peri (21), a beloved assistant morah at the RPRY preschool while concurrently pursuing her bachelor's degree; Moshe (19), who is completing Shana Alef at Mevaseret Tzion and hopes to continue for Shana Bet iy"H; and Eli, who is finishing 7th grade at RPRY.

The family looks forward to continuing to grow their connection with the OT community.

### **OHR TORAH SISTERHOOD**

### **BUSY IN BROOKLYN CHOPPED EVENT**

Hosted by Chanie Apfelbaum of Busy in Brooklyn!

Join solo or with friends—whether you're here to compete hard or just enjoy the action from the sidelines, everyone's welcome! \$42.00 per person

Women only - open to the community

Sponsorship opportunities available:

[ohrtorahsisterhood@gmail.com](mailto:ohrtorahsisterhood@gmail.com)

Sponsors receive a signed cookbook from Chanie!

Sunday June 7th, 8PM Space is limited — register early:

<https://form.jotform.com/kemenyelizabeth1/chopped>

### **LUNCH & LEARN**

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17<sup>th</sup> Noon-2pm  
JEWISH TRADITIONS & TRANSLATIONS  
**REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JUNE 14<sup>TH</sup> NO EXCEPTIONS!**

Registration and Pre-Payment \$20.00 per person (aides eat free)

[www.ohrtorah.net/lunch-learn](http://www.ohrtorah.net/lunch-learn)

Payments accepted:

1. Credit card at registration checkout online (or select shul billing, members only) [www.ohrtorah.net/lunch-learn](http://www.ohrtorah.net/lunch-learn)

2. Zelle: [payortorah@gmail.com](mailto:payortorah@gmail.com)

3. Check made out to Cong. Ohr Torah and mailed or placed in shul mailbox on the sidewalk box at 48 Edgemount Rd, Edison 08817

Enjoy a Delicious Lunch Buffet catered by Jerusalem Pizza, with your friends, neighbors and new friends

NEW PROGRAM - SEASON ONE:

THE FIRST 5 VIDEO EPISODES:

1. 5 JEWISH LANGUAGES YOU DIDN'T KNOW WERE A THING

2. WHY IS YIDDISH THE BEST FAILED LANGUAGE OR IS IT?

3. THE HISTORY AND SURVIVAL OF THE HEBREW LANGUAGE

4. 5 MIND-BLOWING DIFFERENCES BETWEEN SEPHARDI AND ASKANAZI JEWS

5. IS THERE A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN SEPHARDI AND MIZRACHI JEWS?

Program followed by scintillating group questions and comments

Questions: Contact: [LandL@ohrtorah.net](mailto:LandL@ohrtorah.net) **AN EVENING OF MUSIC & MITZVOS UNDER**

### **THE STARS**

Spend a memorable summer evening at "Midsummer Night's Mitzvah" on Thursday night, June 25, from 7–10 PM at 1 Stone Street, Edison, NJ. Enjoy great music, delicious food, and a beautiful summer atmosphere while supporting the Ohr Torah Rabbi's Tzedaka Fund and helping those in need within our community. Featuring music by Soulfarm and The Solomon Brothers, with all proceeds going directly to tzedaka. Adults only. RSVP and more information:

[otbackyardevent@gmail.com](mailto:otbackyardevent@gmail.com)

### **WEDNESDAY SHIUR FOR WOMEN**

Our Wednesday Shiur for women will not meet this week.

### **747 SHIUR**

747 Shiur: Will meet on Tuesday this week.

### **OHR TORAH YOUTH EVENT**

Ohr Torah Annual Shavuot Youth Torah Bowl. Second Day Shavuot, 5:00pm - 6:00pm in the social hall. 1st - 5th grade, for children and parents. Rita's will also be served

### **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

### **ISRAELI DANCE CLASS**

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: June 16 and June 24.

**COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**  
**MEMORIAL KIDDUSH FOR RICKI STERN**  
**A" H MAY 30TH**

The first yahrzeit of our dear friend and community member Ricki Stern, רבקה בת פנחס, ה"ה is approaching on the 17th of Sivan. If you would like to help sponsor the main minyan kiddush Shabbat May 30th Parshas Naso, in her memory please contact

[office@ohavemeth.org](mailto:office@ohavemeth.org) by Wed. May 27th.

Sponsor for any amount—names of sponsors will appear in the announcements on May 29th.

Payments can be made at [www.ohavemeth.org](http://www.ohavemeth.org)

Donate-Payment – Type 'Main Minyan Kiddush'

Note- Memorial Kiddush for Ricki Stern A" H)

**RPRY ANNUAL DINNER**

Please join RPRY for their Annual Dinner

on Wednesday, May 27 at 6:30 p.m. at Bell Works

in Holmdel, NJ. They are honoring our very

own Rabbi Yaakov and Faigie Luban: Omdei Torah

Community Pillar Award; Rabbi Ronald and Judy

Schwarzberg, along with Naomi and Ari ('97)

Schwarzberg, Elana ('99) and Elie Kurtz, Aviva

('03) and Phil ('02) Reich, Shayna ('08) and Noam

Itzhak: Pri Eitz Hadar RPRY Legacy Family Award;

and our own Yacov and Hannah Farkas: Eitz

Chaim Young Leadership Award.

RSVP: [www.RPRY.org/JoinUs](http://www.RPRY.org/JoinUs). For questions

pertaining to the dinner or electronic journal ads,

please contact: Sara Fischer at [sfischer@rpry.org](mailto:sfischer@rpry.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.

**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 required to receive confirmation

RSVP: [learninginstitute@vieb.org](mailto:learninginstitute@vieb.org)

**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 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

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**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 Eitz 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 Naso**

Candlelighting

8:01 PM

Mincha-Maariv

8:10 PM

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