



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements



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Parshat Devarim – Shabbos Chazon

Av 4 5786

July 18, 2026

Candlelighting: 8:07 PM
Earliest Candle Lighting 6:53 PM
Pre-Plag Mincha (AT Yoel Schwartz House) 5:45 PM
Mincha/Kabbolas Shabbos: 6:45 (MS), 7:30 (SH) & 8:15 PM (MS)
Shacharis: 7:45 (SH), 9:00 (MS) & 9:15 (YFM) AM

Hashkama Speaker: Rabbi Malitzky
 Sof Zman Krias Shma: 9:22 AM
Rabbi Malitzky's Gemara Avodah Zarah Shiur 7:10 PM

Mincha (MS): 1:45, 6:00 & 8:00 PM
Shalosh Seudos Speaker: Rabbi Josh Rapps
Maariv 9:10 PM
Shabbos Ends: 9:15 PM

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

Mon. 6:15, 7:05, 8 & 9 AM
Tue, Wed, Fri. 6:30, 7:10, 8 & 9 AM
Thu. See Tisha B'av Schedule

Weekday Mincha/ Maariv 8:10 PM
Early Mincha (Sun.) 1:45 PM
Late Maariv: 10:10 PM

DAF YOMI SCHEDULE
 MON – THURS. – 7:30 PM
 FRI – AFTER EARLIEST KABBOLAS SHABBOS
 SHABBOS – 45 MIN BEFORE MINCHA
 SUNDAY – AFTER 8 AM SHACHARIS

EARLIEST TIME TO LIGHT SHABBOS

CANDLES

Plag Hamincha- Earliest to light Shabbos candles/accept Shabbos:
 The earliest time to light Shabbos candles is Plag HaMincha. This week, Plag HaMincha is at 6:53 PM. One may not light Shabbos candles or accept Shabbos before that time. Those who are making an early Shabbos and attending the 6:45 PM Minyan should wait until 6:53 PM to light Shabbos candles and accept Shabbos.

KIDDUSH

Kiddush is sponsored this week by Julia and Avraham Jaman in honor of the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Eli.

SHALOSH SEUDOS

Shlaosh Seudos is co-sponsored by:
 -Faigie and Rabbi Luban to commemorate the Yahrtzeit of Rabbi Luban's father, Rav Chaim Mendel ben Yosef Dov Luban Z"l
 - Tzippy and Josh Rapps to commemorate the Yahrtzeit of their aunt Roiza bas Yekusiel Yehuda, A"H

...to Julia Jaman and Avraham Jaman on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Eli. Mazel Tov to grandparents Zoya Gomberg and Susan and David Jaman, to siblings Shoshana, Peri, and Moshe, and to the extended Jaman and Gomberg families.

... to Miriam and Mordechai Goldblatt and to Francie and Fred Brinn, on the birth of a granddaughter, Dahlia Chaya, a daughter born to their children Avital and Stevie Brinn. Mazel Tov to the great grandparents Mildred and Irwin Goldblatt, and to all of the siblings, aunts, uncles and cousins!

... to Mimi and Hesh Granek on the birth of a granddaughter in Houston, a daughter born to their children Izzy and Chaya Stein.

TISHA B'AV NIGHT KUMZITZ

Please join us in the main Shul immediately following Eicha and Kinnos for an emotional, heartfelt, and inspiring Kumzitz as we express our longing for Yerushalayim and the Beis HaMikdash through song and prayer.

TISHA B'AV SCHEDULE

Wednesday July 22
 Early Mincha: 6:00 PM
 Late Mincha: 8:00 PM
 Fast Begins: 8:21 PM
 Maariv: 9:00 PM

Followed by Eicha
Thursday July 23

Shacharis: 6:00 & 8:00 AM
 Chatzos: 1:04 PM
 Early Mincha: 1:45 PM
 Mincha/Maariv: 7:50 PM
 Late Maariv: 8:50 PM

Followed by Kiddush Levana
 Fast Ends: 9:10 PM

KINNOS WITH THOUGHT-PROVOKING EXPLANATIONS

On Tisha B'Av morning, Rabbi Josh Rapps will share thought-provoking insights and commentary on the Kinnos. Following Shacharis in the main Shul, Rabbi Rapps will lead Kinnos with explanations in the Social Hall for those who would like a more guided experience. Those remaining in the main sanctuary will recite the Kinnos in the traditional manner.

SHIUR AFTER MINCHA ON TISHA B'AV DAY

Following the 1:45 p.m. Mincha on Tisha B'Av, Rabbi Malitzky will learn through the Gemara of Kamtza and Bar Kamtza, which describes the events and underlying causes

that led to the Churban. Along the way, he will share thought-provoking and inspiring insights into one of the most significant passages in Chazal.

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

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.

CONDOLENCES

With profound sorrow, we regret to inform you of the recent passing of :

-Mr. Irving Schwartz, A"H, father of Yoel Schwartz, Simi Schwartz, Lisa Siegel, and Chanoch (Alan) Schwartz.

-Mrs Rose Kenter A"H devoted wife of Herb Kenter, beloved mother of daughters Amy and Shoshana and the late Jonathen Kenter A"H.

Amy will be sitting shiva at the Kenter residence 36 Brookfall Rd, Edison thru Sunday morning

May you be comforted amongst the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

OT CHESED SHIVA COMMITTEE

The OT Chesed Shiva Committee needs your help! A group of dedicated women volunteer their valuable time to prepare Shiva homes for the newly bereaved in our Kehillah. Donations are needed in order to cover the cost of a Seudat Havra'ah for the mourners when they return from the cemetery. It is traditional for a community to provide this meal of consolation for a mourner. With your help we will be able to provide this meal to our Aveilim in their time of need.

- 1) You can send a check to our Shul ear-marked Chesed Shiva Committee
- 2) You can donate on the Shul website donation page under the drop-down line "Chesed Shiva Committee"
- 3) Zelle may be used to send donation (payohrtorah@gmail.com)

If you have any questions or would like to join our committee, please contact Mary Schanler 646-271-9917

MAZEL TOV

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

It is a tremendous Mitzvah for the community to provide a meal of consolation to Aveilim returning from the Levayah.

SEFER DEDICATION OPPORTUNITIES

Our Beis Medrash is busier than ever. It is bustling with people of all ages, both men and women, from morning through evening, throughout the entire week. We are thrilled to have additional shelf space, which now allows us to purchase more Sefarim and expand our collection.

Dedicating a Sefer is a meaningful way to memorialize a loved one, celebrate a simcha of family and friends, show appreciation to neighbors, or express gratitude to those who learn in the Beis Medrash.

Your contribution of \$36 towards the purchase of a Sefer from our list may be dedicated in honor of, or in memory of, someone.

Please click <https://ohrtorah.net/sefarim> to dedicate a sefer with instructions on how to fill out the dedication.

Please reach out to either Jesse Mintz or Rabbi Malitzky with any questions.

SEFORIM DONATIONS

Thanks to the following for their generous donation to the Ohr Torah Library:

- Shoshana and Teddy Diskind in memory of Barry Leskowitz, brother of Rhona Eserner. --
- Mrs. Eileen Wagshul in honor of her children and grandchildren as well as in memory of her beloved late husband Mel.
- Paige and Aaron Kramer in memory of Devorah bas Chaim Halevi.

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. Class dates: 7/29, 8/12, 8/26, 9/9 Info: naomi.caplan@gmail.com

LUNCH & LEARN

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26th from Noon-2pm
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: AUGUST 23rd (NO EXCEPTIONS)!

Congregation Ohr Torah Social Hall
PALESTINIAN OR ISRAELI – 75min. Video: "Nas Daily Said Something He Wasn't Supposed To Say"

- Go behind the scenes with history nerd Noam Weissman
- A candid conversation about identity, belonging, and what it means to be Israeli, Palestinian, Arab and human all at once
- Explore nuance, history, religion, and the cost of refusing simple labels
- For anyone wanting to know more about what Israel is about – from different multiple angles

Enjoy a Delicious Lunch Buffet, with your friends, neighbors and new friends catered by Jerusalem Pizza
Program followed by group questions and comments

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

www.ohrtorah.net/lunch-learn

Payments accepted: Registration Aug 23rd

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

Questions? Contact: LandL@ohrtorah.net

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

OE SISTERHOOD SHIUR THIS

SHABBOS CHAZON

Cong Ohav Emeth Nshel Sisterhood presents a shiur this Shabbos Chazon. "The Beauty of Narrow Spaces" by Merri Ukraincik. July 18th 4:15 pm. OE Social Hall – 415 Raritan Ave, HP. Light refreshments served.

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.

SAVE THE DATE – AUGUST 28-30, 2026

FREE SINGLES SHABBATON FOR

ORTHODOX SINGLEWITH WITH ASD,

SOCIAL AND/OR EMOTIONAL CHALLENGES

RESERVATION REQUIRED. FULL ADDRESS GIVEN UPON REGISTRATION & ACCEPTANCE

Shabbos meals - Interactive Games- Speed Dating

-Fun Melava Malka -Sunday Breakfast

Meet with a professional Shadchan

Join us for a relaxing, uplifting weekend of connection and friendship!

LOCATION: Camp Negeela in the Catskill Mnts

COST: FREE! Register: <https://bit.ly/4pcdCr5>

HOSTED/SPONSORED BY:

Wayne & Denise Chesner PHONE: 443-929-3339

EMAIL: Singlesshabbaton@gmail.com

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.

Rebbitzin 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

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.

- 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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--**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.

SEFER DEDICATIONS:

<https://ohrtorah.net/sefarim>

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 7 AM-8 PM.

OHR TORAH YOUTH PROGRAM LEADERS:

Shaina (201-657-3068) and Tzvi (516-757-4748)

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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 Va'etchanan

Candlelighting 8:02 PM

Mincha-Maariv 6:45, 7:30 & 8:10 PM

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vhttp://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.