



Congregation Ohr Torah

Weekly Announcements



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Haazinu/Shabbat Shuvah/Yom Kippur

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September 19, 2026

Shabbos Shuva (Fri--Shabbos, Sept. 18-19)

- Candlelighting: 6:43 PM
- Mincha: 6:50 PM
- Shacharis: 7:45, 9:00 & 9:15 (YFM & Teen) AM

Hashkama Speaker: Arnie Lustiger

YFM Speaker: Rabbi Malitzky

- Early Mincha: 1:45 PM
- Women's Shabbos Shuva Drasha: 5:15 – 6:00 PM (Social Hall)
- Mincha: 6:10 PM

Followed by Shabbos Shuva Drasha -

Derasha Topic: When Shabbos Becomes Your Teshuva

NO Shalosh Seudos in Shul

- Maariv: 7:45 PM
- Shabbos ends: 7:50 PM

Erev Yom Kippur (Sunday September 20):

- Selichos: 7:00(MS), 7:45(SH) &, 8:45(MS) AM

Earliest Talis & Tefillin: 5:54 AM.

- Mincha: 2:15, 4:00 PM
- Candlelighting: 6:39 PM
- Kol Nidrei (both minyanim): 6:40 PM
- Fast Starts: 6:39 PM

Yom Kippur (Monday September 21)

- Shacharis: 8:30 AM (both minyanim)
- *Yizkor not before 11:30 AM*
- Mincha: 4:55 PM
- Neilah: 6:20 PM
- Maariv: ~7:41 PM
- Fast ends 7:46 PM

Tuesday - Thursday September 22-24:

- Shacharis (Tue, Wed, Fri): 6:30, 7:15, 8 & 9 AM
- Shacharis (Thu): 6:30, 7:10, 8 & 9 AM
- Mincha-Maariv: 6:40 PM;
- Late Maariv 10:10 PM

DAF YOMI

Daf Yomi is starting a new Masechta, Masechta Bechoros, on Sunday, Erev Yom Kippur. This is an ideal time to start Daf Yomi on Yom Kippur.

Daf Yomi schedule for Yom Kippur: Kol Nidrei night - after Maariv, Yom Kippur day - after Mussaf

KIDDUSH

Kiddush is co-sponsored by:

-Faigie and Yehuda Hecht to commemorate the Yartzheit for Yehuda's father, Moshe Yaakov ben Chaim, A"H.

-Mimi and Charlie Gershbaum and Family to commemorate the Yahrzeit of Mimi's father, Moshe Weisz, Moshe Shraga ben Nosson, A"H.

-Lori and Leslie Ney to commemorate the Yahrzeit of Lori's mother, Klara Katz, Kransha bas Shimon Chayim, A"H.

-Devora and Effy in honor of the birth of their granddaughter, Leah, to Tamar & Yitzi Felman

MAZEL TOV

... to Devora & Effy Zinkin on the birth of their granddaughter, Leah, born to Tamar & Yitzi Felman; to the siblings Rachel, Aryeh and Miri; and to the extended Zinkin, Felman, Gerszberg and Ornstein families.

... to Deena and Gershon Klavan on the birth of a grandson, a son born to their children Meira & Pesach Klavan. Mazal Tov to big sister Nava, grandparents Brian & Suri Tanen along with the extended Klavan, Landesman, Raymon, Ishakis and Tanen families.

RABBI MALITZKY SHABBOS SHUVA

DRASHA FOR WOMEN

"When Shabbos Becomes Your Teshuva" I will be giving a Drasha for women from 5:15-6:00 PM in the Social Hall, followed by a second Shiur, open to everyone, in the main Shul after the 6:10 PM Mincha.

YOM KIPPUR QUESTIONS

Yom Kippur poses many complex questions for people who take medications, need to eat or drink, or are pregnant. The Torah places paramount importance on protecting one's health, while at the same time, eating or drinking on Yom Kippur when there is no medical need to do so is a serious prohibition.

Please reach out with any halachic questions. Best wishes for an easy fast, an uplifting and meaningful Yom Kippur, and good health! Rabbi Sarel Malitzky

CONGREGATION OHR TORAH BUILDING FUND

Dear Members,
As we enter the new year, I extend my warmest wishes for a Shana Tova and a G'mar Chatima Tova. May this season bring health, peace, and blessings to you and your families. Seeing our community come together over Rosh Hashanah was truly inspiring, the Tefillot, the atmosphere, and the sense of unity reminded us of the strength and warmth of Congregation Ohr Torah.

Our Shul is the center of our communal life. It is where we celebrate milestones, support

one another through challenges, and deepen our connection to Torah and tefillah.

Ohr Torah's physical building, now decades old, requires continuous investment to remain safe, functional, and welcoming.

In recent months, we completed two major infrastructure projects:

A full resurfacing of the parking lot.

A complete modernization of our elevator, which had been out of service for an extended period.

The elevator is now fully upgraded with the latest safety features, and both projects were essential to ensure accessibility and long term stability.

Your generosity has kept our shul financially stable. These improvements totaled nearly \$100,000, significantly reducing our building reserve. Maintaining that stability, especially with an aging facility and ongoing capital needs, requires continued support. The Yom Kippur appeal is a critical part of our annual budget and directly impacts our ability to sustain operations, maintain our building, and plan responsibly for the future. If you have contributed in past years, we are deeply grateful and hope you will continue your support, perhaps even increasing your gift this year. If you have not yet participated, we warmly invite you to join your fellow members in strengthening our shul. Our goal for this year's appeal is \$120,000, a target that will help replenish our reserves and ensure Ohr Torah remains strong and secure for the year ahead. G'mar Chatima Tova, Payam Hanian, President

CONDOLENCES

With great sadness, our dear friend and long time member, Susan Sobel, passed away and was buried in Israel today. She is survived by her husband, Ira Sobel, daughter and son in law, Leah and Dov Leizerowski and grandchildren, Dina, Elisheva, Dovid and Gavriel.

Shiva at Leah's home, 15 Gaskill Ave Edison. Sunday morning from 11AM -2 PM May you be comforted amongst the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

ISRAEL BONDS - OUR 5787 APPEAL

This year marks 75 years since the creation of Israel Bonds. Since 1951, generations of Jews throughout the world have invested in Israel Bonds as a tangible way to strengthen the State of Israel. More than \$57 billion has been invested during those 75 years,

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

including more than \$8 billion since October 7, 2023.

That support remains essential. After nearly three years of war, Israel continues to bear the enormous human and economic cost of defending the Jewish State. Israelis have been asked to serve, sacrifice, rebuild their communities and continue their lives under circumstances few of us can fully imagine. At Yom Kippur Mincha, Ohr Torah will once again conduct our annual Israel Bonds appeal. We are asking every member of the congregation to participate and to make a meaningful investment according to his or her ability.

Yachad Nenatzeach. Together we will win. Am Yisrael Chai.

SEFORIM DEDICATIONS

The Shul thanks Debbie and Dr. Moshe Schneider for their recent donation of an interlinear Shabbos Siddur and a Sefer Hachinuch in memory of Mr. Emanuel Libin ע"ה שמעון בן יעקב and of Dr. Ellie Schneider אליעזר בן יעקב ע"ה.

AN IN-DEPTH ANALYSIS

Retired? 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.

LUNCH & LEARN

PART 1 REGISTRATION DEADLINE: OCTOBER 25th (NO EXCEPTIONS)!

PART 2 REGISTRATION DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 15th (NO EXCEPTIONS)!

PART ONE: WED, OCT 28th from Noon-2pm

PART TWO WED, NOV 18th from Noon-2pm

Congregation Ohr Torah Social Hall

Come see and discuss: THE CHOSEN

Set against the backdrop of 1940s Brooklyn, during World War II and the unfolding fight for the State of Israel, these films are adapted from Chaim Potok's story to explore the dynamic spectrum of American Jewry. The narratives illustrate the rift—and ultimate reconciliation—between strictly traditional, insular Hasidic communities and the emergence of what is Today's Modern Orthodox, and other integrated American Jews.

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 for part 1 or \$35.00 per person for both part 1 and part 2 (aides and children eat free)

REGISTER www.ohrtorah.net/lunchlearn

747 SHIUR

The 747 Shiur will take place on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday this week.

10AM WEDNESDAY SHIUR FOR WOMEN

All women are encouraged to join us at 10am on Wed. as we learn about Sukkos!

SH'NAINU SHIDDUCH GROUP

Sh'nainu Shidduch Group of Edison & Highland Park is a volunteer Shidduch group to assist Orthodox Jewish singles, all ages and Hashkafot. Info/to submit profile: Shidduchedisonhp@gmail.com

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS LULAV & ESROG ORDERING

When ordering from below, please mention Ohr Torah and OT will receive a donation for each sale. -Barry Siegel & family siegeldad@gmail.com, 732-572-4408

Rabbi Shimoni, Yaeljin16@gmail.com 908-208-4233 please see the flyers for additional info. All checks for Lulavim and Esrogim must be made out to the appropriate vendor and not Cong. Ohr Torah.

SHOMER SHABBOS SCOUTING

Just a reminder: Are you interested in local Shomer Shabbat Scouting? Get your questions answered at our There will be tables at the Highland Park Arts in the Park Sunday 9/20 from 11-4. Local chapters for Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts meet right in HP RSVP <https://evite.me/22W3K1TMEC>

For info reach out to Steve Springer s.springer@outlook.com | 908.227.3750

KITTEL GEMACH

Kittel Gemach available. If you – or someone you know -- needs to borrow a kittel, please call Lee Ann Schein at 732-208-1862. Four sizes are available. Kittel gemach is in memory of Lazar Lipman ben Chaim Yitzhak.

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 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 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, peer support, surgical

needs gemach, & kosher meal delivery and more. Volunteers wanted! riteicher@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

Mikvah hours are officially Sundays 7 AM-8 PM.

OHR TORAH YOUTH PROGRAM LEADERS:

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

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

Sukkot
Candlelighting 6:31 PM
Mincha-Maariv 6:35 PM

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