AHAVAS ACHIM NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 21, 2016 | **סוכות/שמיני עצרת/שמחת תורה** | **כ' תשרי תשע"ז**

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

שבת סוכות

Candlelighting..... 5:50 p.m.
Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv..... 5:55 p.m.
Shacharit .....7:00 & 9:00 a.m.
Youth Minyan .....9:30 a.m.
Youth Groups ..... 10:00 a.m.
Baby Group..... 10:30 a.m.

Kiddush is sponsored by the Sisterhood.

Youth Sukkah Hop ..... 4:00 p.m.
Daf Yomi (Bava Metzia 26).. 4:50 p.m.
Mincha..... 5:40 p.m.
Seudah Shlishit..... 6:00 p.m.
Maariv..... 6:53 p.m.
Motzei Shabbat ..... 6:57 p.m.

הושענא רבה

Sunday Shacharit.....8:00 a.m.

שמיני עצרת

Sunday Candlelighting..... 5:47 p.m.
Sunday Mincha/Maariv..... 5:55 p.m.
Monday Shacharit.....7:00 & 9:00 a.m.
Monday Youth Minyan .....9:30 a.m.
Monday Youth Groups ..... 10:00 a.m.
Monday Baby Group..... 10:30 a.m.

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Monday Daf Yomi (Bava Metzia 28) .... 4:55 p.m.
Monday Mincha ..... 5:45 p.m.

שמחת תורה

Monday Youth Hakafot/Adult Auction ..... 5:55 p.m.
Maariv/Hakafot ..... 6:50 p.m.
Monday Candlelighting ..... after 6:54 p.m.
Tuesday Shacharit....6:30 & 8:00 a.m.

Gala Simchat Torah Kiddush

Tuesday Early Mincha..... 1:15 p.m.
Tuesday Daf Yomi (Bava Metzia 29) ... 5:00 p.m.
Tuesday Late Mincha..... 5:50 p.m.
Tuesday Maariv ..... 6:49 p.m.
Tuesday Motzei Yom Tov.... 6:53 p.m.

בראשית

Wednesday & Friday Shacharit ..... 6:35 & 7:45 a.m.
Thursday Shacharit ..6:25 & 7:45 a.m.
Wednesday/Thursday Mincha/Maariv. ..... 5:50 p.m.
Wednesday/Thursday late Maariv ..... 9:30 p.m.
Friday Candlelighting ..... 5:39 p.m.
Friday Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/ Maariv..... 5:45 p.m.

SYNAGOGUE NEWS

מזל טוב

Mazel Tov to **Marc Kolb and Arielle Fagan** on the birth of a son, and to the grandparents, **Rabbi Richard Fagan and Jane Frankel.**

Mazel Tov to **Rabbi Ronald and Judy Schwarzberg** on the birth of a grandson. Mazel Tov to the parents, **Phil and Aviva Reich,** to grandparents, **Gil and Nancy Reich** and to great-grandparents, **Sandra Frankel** and **Yehudah and Sarah Reich.** There will be a **Shalom Zachar** on **Friday** at **8:30 p.m.** at **15 Johnson Street.** The **bris** will be at **Ahavas Achim** before hakafot in the **Main Sanctuary,** approximately **9:00 a.m.** on **Tuesday, Simchat Torah.**

רפואה שלמה

The Congregation extends a רפואה שלמה to:

הדר בת לאה
שולמית בת זהבה
מרים בת צירל
לאה בת רעיה
תמר קרן בת נסה גולדה
שמואל יעקב בן חיה דישל
לוי בן מזל טוב
צביה שושנה חיה בת מרים
קלמן בן רחל
Stephen Adelson - שמואל בן חנה
Susan Borger - שרה רוזה בת פשה
Philip Caplan - שרגא יהודה בן חיה
Rabbi Richard Fagan - הרב שמואל בן רבקה בֵּיילה
Candi Feinberg - חנה בת נחה
Marianne Feinstein - חיה מינדל פייגא בת חיה
Howard Franklin - בנימין דוד בן מרים
Eva Grin - חוה רחל בת דבורה
Dorothy Litt - דבורה בת פסל
Elyse Litt - צביה שרה בת דבורה
Janet Peleg - יעל בת רבקה
Myra Rosenbaum - מרים בת סאסי ריזל
Anny Safier - אופירה חיה בת רבקה צביה
Linda Stacy - יהודית ליבה בת חנה גיטל
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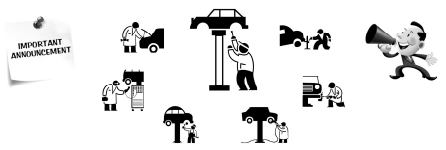

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David and Sharon Stern

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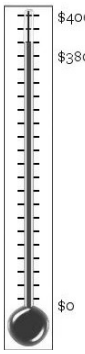


AHAVAS ACHIM KOL NIDRE APPEAL

THANK YOU FOR MAKING THIS YEAR'S KOL NIDRE APPEAL A SUCCESS!

Thank you to the Ahavas Achim Congregation for your active participation in this year's successful Kol Nidre Appeal. All names of donors that came in prior to Yom Kippur are listed in the Kol Nidre scroll. If you have not yet done so, please consider making a pledge to the 5777 Campaign. We encourage you to redeem all pledges as soon as possible. Best wishes to you and your loved ones for a שנה טובה.

Sincerely,

Avi Grin,
Vice President, Fundraising

The following families made a Kol Nidrei pledge who were not listed in our scroll:

Mrs. Irene Balsam in memory of her husband, Marvin Balsam

Mr. Justin and Dr. Susan Hornstein

Ms. Amy Ostrin

SIMCHAT TORAH KIDDUSH 5777

Let's celebrate at the end of a beautiful Yom Tov season! Ahavas Achim will once again be having a **gala hot Kiddush** on **Simchat Torah, Tuesday, October 25,** following both morning minyanim (**6:30** and **8:00 a.m.**). The kiddush after the **6:30** minyan will take place in the **Axelrad Social Hall** upstairs; the kiddush after the **8:00** minyan will take place in both the **Axelrad Social Hall** and the **Social Hall downstairs,** with seating available for everyone! Rolls will be available for washing to make this your afternoon Yom Tov meal.

The kiddush is free and open to all, and therefore requires donations and sponsorships in order to take place. Please help defray the cost of the kiddush. While any amount will be gladly accepted, these are suggested levels of participation: **Yad—$25, Breastplate—$50, Mantle—$100, Etz Chaim—$250, Crown—$500.** Thank you in advance for your participation.

Thank you for sponsoring this year's Kiddush:

Crown:

Dr. Barry and Mrs. Marcia Levinson in honor of the Hashkama Minyan

Mr. and Mrs. Gil Reich in honor of the birth of their grandson

Rabbi Ronald and Mrs. Judy Schwarzberg in honor of the birth of their grandson

Etz Chaim:

Mr. and Mrs. Yehuda Hecht, Mr. and Mrs. Jeremy Renna, Mr. and Mrs. David Schwartz

Mantle:

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Erdfarb, Mr. and Mrs. Avi Freidenreich, Mr. Avi and Dr. Lauren Maza, Rabbi Steven and Mrs. Gila Miodownik, Ms. Elizabeth Newman, Rabbi Edward and Mrs. Abby Prince, Mr. David Seiden and Mrs. Sharon Bershader, Mr. Eric Silverman, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Strub, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Wishnic

Breastplate:

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Beberman, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Benedek, Mr. and Mrs. David Friedman, Mr. and Mrs. Josh Goldstein, Mr. Justin and Dr. Susan Hornstein, Mr. Michael and Dr. Michele Kornblum, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Levenstein, Mr. and Mrs. Abe Schwartzbard, Dr. Michael and Mrs. Marsha Wasserman

Yad:

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Abraham, Mr. Shlomo Aronoff, Mr. and Mrs. Josh Fine, Mrs. Susan Haber, Drs. Irving and Jenny Mandelbaum, Mr. Shlomo and Dr. Janet Peleg, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Rosenberg, Mr. Irving Secemski, Mr. and Mrs. Alan Silver, Mr. and Mrs. David Stern

AUCTION OF KIBBUDIM

The annual **Pre-Simchat Torah Auction for Kibbudim** will take place in the Main Sanctuary on **Shemini Atzeret** afternoon between Mincha and Maariv. Our Grand Auctioneer, **Michael Kornfeld,** will sell our Simchat Torah honors to the highest bidders. There will be some surprise items in addition to the kibbudim listed below. This is a wonderful opportunity to support the shul and to honor a friend, relative, or yourself with closeness to the Torah on this joyous day of the year.

KIBBUDIM TO BE AUCTIONED:

SIMCHAT TORAH NIGHT:

1. Full Atta Horeita
2. Atta Horeita 1st three pesukim
3. Atta Horeita 2nd three pesukim
4. Atta Horeita 3rd three pesukim
5. Atta Horeita next 2 pesukim plus Peticha
6. Atta Horeita next 3 pesukim
7. Atta Horeita final 3 pesukim
8. Kohen Aliyah
9. Levi Aliyah
10. Third Aliyah
11. Fourth Aliyah
12. Fifth Aliyah
13. Hagbah and Gelilah
14. Yigdal

SIMCHAT TORAH DAY:

1. Kol Hanearim (Ages 0-3)
2. Kol Hanearim (Ages 4-7)
3. Kol Hanearim (Ages 8-12)
4. Chatan Torah
5. Hagbah and Gelilah
6. Chatan Bereishit
7. Hagbah and Gelilah
8. Maftir/Haftorah
9. Hagbah and Gelilah
10. Prayer for the US government
11. Ein Kelokeinu
12. Adon Olam
13. President's Announcements

EXTRA:

1. Get out of Kiddush duty (2)
2. Free parking spot

SIMCHAT TORAH B'YACHAD

This Simchat Torah we will have a special opportunity to celebrate together in an expression of Jewish unity. On Simchat Torah night, **Monday, October 24,** immediately after the seventh hakafah, approximately **8:30 p.m.,** we will head one block north to the corner of **Benner Street** and **S. Second Ave.** where we will be joined for dancing and singing by the **Highland Park Conservative Temple.** We have made arrangements with the police for this intersection to be closed to traffic. We encourage all who can make the walk to join us for this joint event. We will return to the shul for Torah reading and the conclusion of Maariv at **9:00 p.m.** *(This event is weather-dependent and may not take place if it is raining.)*

SIMCHAT TORAH WOMEN'S SHIUR

On Simchat Torah morning, **Tuesday, October 25,** during the men's aliyot, **Rabbi Miodownik** will deliver a shiur for women in the Beit Midrash in honor of Simchat Torah. His topic will be: **"The 1967 War Over Women's Torah Study."** Child care will be available in the youth wing during this shiur.

NEW WOMEN'S SHIUR TO BEGIN AFTER SIMCHAT TORAH

Ahavas Achim University presents a new weekly class for women in the Beit Midrash each **Wednesday** at **1:00 p.m. Rabbi Miodownik** will lead an exploration of **"Sefer Yehoshua"** This class will begin on **Wednesday, October 26.** All women are welcome to join!

LEARNING SEUDAH SHLISHIT RETURNS

Ahavas Achim University is proud to present our third year of **Learning Seudah Shlishit,** beginning **next Shabbat Parshat Bereishit, October 29.** Each Shabbat afternoon between Mincha and Maariv we invite you to take some refreshments and settle in at one of the following shiurim, and bring Shabbat out with a bang! Make in-depth Torah study a part of your Shabbat experience at one of these tables:

The Halachic Mind with **Rabbi Steven Miodownik** and Rabbinic Intern **Rabbi Daniel Reich.** Who were the great halachic minds of the recent centuries and what were their unique approaches and contributions to the corpus of Jewish Law? Each week, we will examine one personality, from Rav Yosef Karo to Rav Yisroel Belsky.

Jeff's Favorite Gemaras with **Jeff Korbman.** For many years, Jeff has been carefully selecting the most potent stories and statements from the Talmud, and each week he will share one with you!

Mussar Sparks with **Josh Fine.** Each week, Josh will share practical and thoughtful advice from our greatest mussar luminaries on living a meaningful Jewish life.

MATAN BAT MITZVAH PROGRAM

Ahavas Achim University presents the **Matan Bat Mitzvah Program** for **sixth grade girls and their mothers.** The objective of the Matan Bat Mitzvah program, *Jewish Women Through the Ages*, is to see how we, as Jewish women, are part of a chain across the generations, and how the Bat Mitzvah can serve as a bridge connecting the young girl to Jewish continuity.

The program consists of ten sessions during which mothers and daughters study sources together about Jewish women throughout history. The women studied in the program were selected because they embody positive attributes and values from which the girls can learn.

Highlights:

- 10 two-hour sessions for mothers and daughters
- Each session includes textual Torah study (sources in Hebrew and English)
- A creative activity in each session, such as crafts and theater
- Each girl is encouraged to prepare a special "Aishet Chayil" project based on a biblical personality, a woman studied or an inspiring woman in her life
- Closing celebration

The Matan Bat Mitzvah program will be facilitated by **Gila Miodownik** and the program fee is **$100** per mother/daughter team, which covers all sessions, supplies and activities. The program will run on Tuesday evenings from **7:00-9:00 p.m.** on the following dates:

November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

December 6, 13, 20

January 3, 10

RABBI REISMAN TO RESUME

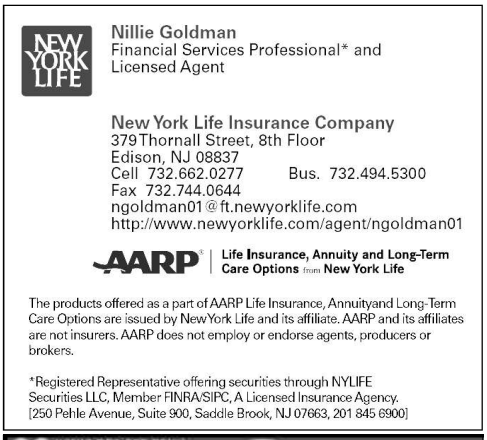
Rabbi Yisroel Reisman resumes his Saturday night **Navi shiur next Motzei Shabbat, October 29** at **9:00 p.m.** Broadcast live via the internet from Brooklyn, this popular Motzei Shabbat series draws hundreds to enlighten each new week. You can join the group without crossing the Verazanno as the broadcast is screened in the Beit Midrash of Ahavas Achim. Admission is **$5.**

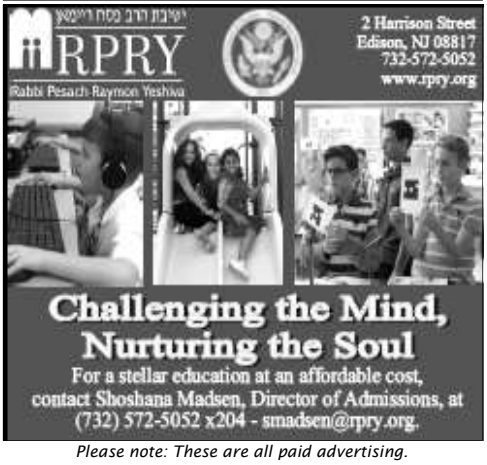
CASINO NIGHT & CHINESE AUCTION: DECEMBER 17

Help put the FUN back in FUNdraiser! Offer, suggest, and solicit prizes for our upcoming Casino **Night and Chinese Auction.** Here are just a few of the amazing prizes we have lined up so far: tickets to the State Theater in New Brunswick; gift cards galore; tickets to see *Hamilton* on Broadway; round-trip tickets to Israel. To add to this list, email **aacasinonight2016@gmail.com** or call the shul office at **732-247-0532.**

YAHRZEITS

10/23	Jeffrey Mann	Father
	Judith Reich	Father
10/24	Sybil Rubenstein	Mother
10/25	Mina Bodner	Husband
10/26	Irene Balsam	Father
	Dr. Andrew Freedman	Mother
10/27	Dr. Marc Scheiner	Mother
10/28	Lawrence Fineberg	Father
	Cynthia Greenberg	Father
	Elena Orgel	Father
	Gerald Silverstein	Father





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HOSPITALITY

Enhance your holidays by sharing meals with others. The hospitality committee is looking for those who would be willing to accept invitations to join others for meals over the holiday season as well as those who are in a position to host. Contact **Mark Abraham** at **abraham839@gmail.com** or **732-545-6639.**

ISRAEL BONDS

The Tishrei holiday season has become a traditional time for supporters of Israel to buy or reinvest **Israel Bonds.** If you are interested in information regarding the economic and social benefits of buying Israel Bonds, go to **IsraelBonds.com** or speak to **Milton Erdfarb,** Bonds Campaign Chair. Invest in a Nation of Innovation, Invest in Israel Bonds.

AAU SHIURIM

Monday-Thursday after 9:30 p.m. Maariv Chug Mishnayot

Tuesday 8:30 a.m. Torah Gems with Rabbi Moshe Goldberger ***(Resumes November 1;*** *for men only)*

Tuesday 9:30 a.m. Mishnah Keritut with Rabbi Akiva Weitzner ***(Resumes November 1;*** *for men only)*

Wednesday 1:00 p.m. Sefer Yehoshua with Rabbi Miodownik ***(begins October 26;*** *for women only)*

Thursday 9:00 p.m. Parshat Hashavua with Rabbi Yissocher Frand on the TCN *($5 per shiur)*

Shabbat 9:30 a.m. *(after 7:00 a.m. Shacharit)* Nefesh Ha-Chaim from Chaim of Volozhin

Shabbat 50 minutes before Mincha Daf Yomi with Judah Abraham

Motzei Shabbat Navi with Rabbi Yisroel Reisman on the TCN ***(Resumes October 29 9:00 p.m.;*** *$5 per shiur)*

ISRAEL MISSION 2017

Ahavas Achim invites you to join the **Abraham, Baum, Bienenstock, Goldberg, Goldblatt, Kessel, Kornmehl, Levine, Nathanson, Schilowitz, Sholom, Towler, Verter** and **Wisotsky** families on our 15th annual **Israel Mission** from **January 18-January 30, 2017.** The mission will include roundtrip non-stop flights on El Al Israel Airlines from Newark, 8 nights at the Leonardo Plaza Hotel, 2 nights at the Carlton Tel Aviv, 3 day touring excursion with experienced guides, full Israeli breakfast daily, two dinners in Tel Aviv, Friday night and Shabbat lunch on both Shabbatot, tips, transfers, and handling.

The cost per person (based on double occupancy) is **$2379** plus airport tax and fuel surcharge (currently **$685**). Registration is now available on a first come, first serve basis with a deposit of **$150** per person. To register, visit the mission website at **www.arieltours.com/aamission.** Questions can be directed to **aamission@arieltours.com.**

BLOOD DRIVE

Just as your calendar begins to free up, here come Thanksgiving, Chanukah, and yes, another blood drive. On **Sunday, November 20,** we will be holding our next community **Blood Drive** from **9:00 a.m.** to **3:00 p.m.,** at **Ahavas Achim.** Donors can be as young as 16 (with parental permission and meeting weight requirements). For further information, please contact **Ira Rosen** at **732-393-1018** or **ira_rosen@yahoo.com.**

SISTERHOOD NEWS

MAKE YOUR OWN MEZUZAH EVENT!

Ahavas Achim Sisterhood presents: **Make your own Glass Mezuzah Event!** Join us on **Tuesday, November 15** from **7:30-9:30 p.m.** at **Ahavas Achim** for a night of wine, light refreshments, and glass making. Cost: **$36** per person; Silver Sponsorship: **$54** (includes entrance and one Mezuzah); Gold Sponsorship: **$100** (includes entrance and two Mezuzot). Please send your check, made out to **Ahavas Achim Sisterhood,** to: **Teri Sofair-Fisch 261 South Adelaide Avenue Highland Park, NJ 08904** by **Motzei Shabbat, November 5.**

KIDDUSH REMINDER

The Kiddush committee for **this Shabbat** is: **Stechel, Steif** and **Mark and Rachel Stein.** The Kiddush committee for **Shemini Atzeret, October 24** is: **Ukraincik, Arnold, Sofair-Fisch** and **Strassman.** The Kiddush committee for **Shabbat, October 29** is: **Strub, Strupinsky** and **Turansky.** The Kiddush committee for **Shabbat, November 5** is: **Schwartzbard, Urman** and **Vigneri.** The Kiddush committee for **Shabbat, November 11** is: **Beyer, Brooks** and **Jon and Lori Caplan.**

BOOK CLUB

The next **AA Sisterhood Book Club** meeting will take place **Tuesday, November 1** at **8:30 p.m.** at the home of **Lisa Goldberg, 33 North 9th Avenue, Highland Park.** The book we will be discussing is ***A Man Named Ove*** by Fredrik Backman. We hope you can join us!

YOUTH NEWS

SHABBAT GROUPS BIRTHDAY PARTY SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Thank you to **Michael Fradkine and Yael Lechtchiner** for sponsoring group this Shabbat morning in honor of their twins, **Adelle and Nataniela Fradkine** 7th birthdays. Celebrating your child's birthday? Sponsor a birthday party for your child's Shabbat morning group: includes birthday game, birthday hats, and special snacks. Sponsorships start at **$25.** Please contact **Miriam** at **aayouth100@gmail.com** for more information!

SUKKAH HOP THIS SHABBAT

Join AA youth for the 2016 **Sukkah Hop, this Shabbat Chol Hamoed, October 22** starting at **4:00 p.m.** for children ages 3+. Children must be accompanied by an adult. We will meet in front of the **Miodownik home, 248 Lawrence Avenue.** The hop will begin promptly so please be on time. The sukkah hop will take place weather permitting.

AA YOUTH ARAVOT FUNDRAISER

AA Youth will once again be providing aravot to our community for Hoshana Rabbah: **$10** suggested donation. The aravot will be available for the Shacharit minyanim on Hoshana Rabbah morning.

TEEN SIMCHAT TORAH BBQ

Join us on **Simchat Torah night** after hakafot for a delicious **teen BBQ.** Free event but RSVPs are appreciated so we can plan accordingly. Please RSVP to **Miriam** at **aayouth100@gmail.com.**

YOUTH HAKAFOT

Celebrate Simchat Torah with all of AA's youth! Super t-shirts and treats for all those who come out to dance with the Torah! See you there! **Youth Hakafot** will take place on Simchat Torah night during the shul auction.

GROUP TIMES

Baby/Toddler Room: 10:00 a.m. open play, 10:30 a.m. organized parent and me groups

All other groups: 10:00 a.m.

AA YOUTH HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Shemini Atzeret: Morning groups as usual

Simchat Torah: Youth Hakafot on Monday evening. No groups Simchat Torah morning.

JUMPING JELLYBEANS IS BACK!

AA Youth and Fresh Theatre Arts are proud to bring you its monthly toddler music and dance class. Please RSVP for our kickoff event taking place on **Sunday, November 6** from **10:30-11:30 a.m.** Cost: **$5** per family. Snacks will be provided. Kids **ages 0-5** are invited and must attend with an adult. Please RSVP to **Miriam** at **aayouth100@gmail.com.**

AHAVAS ACHIM YOUTH DEPARTMENT SICK POLICY

Children who are ill cannot attend Shabbat morning groups and other youth department events.

Children who show signs of illness including:

- fever (100 degrees or higher)
- discharge from eyes
- vomiting
- diarrhea (two or more times in a short period of time)
- extreme pain or discomfort
- sore throat or severe coughing
- rash

must be excluded from the program until they are symptom free for at least 24 hours. For the safety and well-being of all, we ask for your cooperation in strictly adhering to this Sick Policy.

COMMUNITY NEWS

JEC ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE

Please save the date for the **Rav Teitz Mesivta Academy** (also fondly known as the RTMA boys high school division): **Open House** on **Wednesday, November 9** at **7:15 p.m.** at the **main JEC Campus,** 330 Elmora Avenue, Elizabeth. There will be opportunities to meet with faculty, current students and parents, as well as experience a day in the life of an RTMA student. Delectable refreshments catering to both student and parental palates will be served. Pre-registration is appreciated at **RTMA.TheJEC.org.**

BRURIAH ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE

The **Bruriah High School Open House** will take place on **Sunday, November 13** at **9:00 a.m.** at the **JEC's Bruriah Campus,** 35 North Avenue, Elizabeth. There will be opportunities to experience the renowned Bruriah classroom as well as meet with faculty, current students and parents! A buffet lunch with a meet-and-greet will follow. Pre-registration is appreciated at **Bruriah.theJEC.org.**

MA'AYANOT OPEN HOUSE

Ma'ayanot Yeshiva High School for Girls, 1650 Palisade Avenue, Teaneck, invites all 8th grade girls and their parents to their **Open House** on **Sunday, November 6.** Registration at **9:00 a.m.;** Program begins at **9:30 a.m.;** Academic Fair and lunch at **12:00 p.m.** Register online at: **www.maayanot.org.** For more information, contact **Nina Bieler,** Director of Admissions, at **201-833-4307, ext. 255.**

FRISCH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

The **Frisch School,** 120 West Century Road Paramus, invites all 8th graders and their parents to their **Open House** on **Sunday, November 13** at **9:00 a.m.** Kindly register at **www.Frisch.org/openhouse.** Come and experience the innovative formal and informal educational opportunities provided to students that foster their individualized intellectual and religious growth.

KUSHNER OPEN HOUSE

Rae Kushner Yeshiva High School invites all 8th graders and their parents to join them at their **Open House next Sunday, October 30.** Experience RKYHS during an inspirational morning as they highlight the dynamic and innovative academic and Judaic programs, first-rate educational initiatives and co-curricular opportunities. Registration begins at **9:00 a.m.** followed by the program at **9:30 a.m.** Please register at **www.jkha.org/RKYHSOpenHouse.** For more information, please contact **Shawn Tarzik** at **starzik@jkha.org** or **862-437-8064.**

FAMILY APPRECIATION DAY AT STEIN ASSISTED LIVING

Enjoy a performance of **Annie Get Your Gun** by the Philly Senior Stage Performers on **Sunday, November 6** from **2:00-4:00 p.m.** A photo booth will be available for family pictures! RSVP to **steinreceptionist@wilfcampus.org** or sign up at the receptionist desk.

PARK MIKVAH

The **Park Mikvah hours** are: **Sunday-Thursday 9:00-11:00 p.m.; Friday nights by appointment only.** Please arrive with enough time to be out before closing time. The Highland Park Mikvah recently sent out a mailing. If you have not received it or for more information, email **hpmikvah@gmail.com** or call **732-249-2411.**

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NJ CHAPTER FRIENDS OF THE IDF ANNUAL NJ TRIBUTE DINNER

Save the date: **Monday, November 21** for the **NJ Chapter Friends of the IDF 12th Annual NJ Tribute Dinner** at the Sharaton Parsippany Hotel. For more information including sponsorship opportunities, please email **cara.chernin@fidf.org,** call **646-274-9646** or visit: **www.fidf.org/njtributedinner.** Their job is to look after Israel. Ours is to look after them.

WIN A CRUISE!

Jewish Family Services of Middlesex County is once again sponsoring a raffle to win a **7 day Celebrity Cruise** for two to a destination of your choice. This is a **$2,500** value. Tickets are only **$36** each or **3 for $100.** (Winner is responsible for all taxes & fees.) The winning ticket will be drawn **Sunday, November 6.** You do not need to be present to win. To purchase tickets, please contact **Murray Katz** at **732-985-7348** or **katzmurray@yahoo.com.** All proceeds will directly benefit the vital social service programs for the Jewish community.

TABC OPEN HOUSE

Torah Academy of Bergen County (TABC), 1600 Queen Anne Road, Teaneck, cordially invites all prospective parents and students to their **Open House** on **Sunday, November 6.** Registration and breakfast begin at **9:15 a.m.;** Program and Academic Fair **10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.** Pre-register at **http://www.tabc.org/apps/form/form.TORAOBC.pVoeOfU.1Wj.** For further information, call **201-837-7696** or email **Donna.hoenig@tabc.org.** Applications are now being accepted and can be filled out online **http://www.tabc.org/apps/form/application-for-admission.**

SHABBOS PROJECT/JFS COMMUNITY-WIDE CHALLAH BAKE

Middlesex County will host a **Community-Wide Challah Bake** in conjunction with the **Shabbos Project** on **Thursday, November 3** at **7:00 p.m.** at **Congregation B'nai Tikvah,** 1001 Finnegan Lane, North Brunswick. This is a grassroots effort formed by women representing all Jewish communities across Middlesex County. The event will feature challah baking, live music, spirituality and sisterhood. Attendance is expected to attract over 300 participants. Cost is **$18** for women and **$12** for children 12 and under. All proceeds will benefit **Jewish Family Services.**

The Shabbos Project is a non-profit organization whose purpose is to encourage participation in a worldwide Shabbat experience. To register, visit **eventbrite.org** and search for **Middlesex County Great Big Challah Bake.** For more information, please email **susanpearlman@comcast.net** or call **Susan Pearlman** at **732-688-0984.**

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP AT THE JCC OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY

Facilitator: **Rabbi Bryan Kinzbrunner,** Campus Chaplain for The Oscar and Ella Wilf Campus for Senior Living

The group will meet on **Wednesdays, November 2, 16, 23** & **30** from **2:30-3:30 p.m.** at the **Jewish Community Center of Middlesex County,** 1775 Oak Tree Road, Edison. There is no fee for this group and no need to "go it alone". Call **Sue Horwitz** at **732-593-5958 ext 3603** to register or with questions.

This four week **Bereavement Support Group** will focus on discovering personal models for navigating through the challenges of loss. Each week Rabbi Kinzbrunner will facilitate discussion and sharing on different topics to include—Waves of Grief, Caring for the Self, Grief during the holidays, and Spirituality & Grief. These sessions will be mostly group driven, with the facilitator helping to guide the group in a process of sharing so as to help each other during one's difficult time.

RPRY PEACE OF MIND DINNER

Join the Israeli Combat Unit for a **Community Shabbat Dinner** at **RPRY** on **Friday, November 11:** Services: **4:30 p.m.;** Dinner **6:00 p.m.** This dinner is part of the week-long **Peace of Mind** program hosted by the Edison/Highland Park Jewish community.

Cost: **$50** per person or **$150** per family. Please mail checks, made out to **RPRY,** to **Sharon Hirt, 10 Olden Road, Edison, NJ 08817.** Reservations ***must*** be accompanied with payment, or they will not be accepted. Sponsorship levels of **$250, $360, $500** available. Please contact **Sharon Hirt** at **732-777-0462** or **hirt.sharon@gmail.com.**

RARITAN VALLEY HADASSAH MITZVAH OF LOVE

On **Sunday, November 13, Raritan Valley Hadassah** is honoring their **Hadassah Associates** at their annual **Mitzvah of Love** event which will be held at **Ohr Torah** at **11:00 a.m.** Besides a dynasty lunch, they will have entertainment and input from Israel. Cost is **$50 couvert** plus a donation toward the purchase of 4 wall mounted patient room computers with mouse, keyboard, display and barcode reader for the Hadassah Hospital. for more information, email **Honey Wisotsky** at **honeywisotsky@outlook.com.**

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