AHAVAS ACHIM NEWSLETTER

JULY 14, 2017 | פינחס | כ"א תמוז תשע"ז

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

שבת

Friday Candlelighting..... 8:08 p.m.
Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv.....
.....7:00 & 8:15 p.m.

Shacharit .....7:00 & 9:00 a.m.
Latest Shema.....9:22 a.m.
Youth Groups ..... 10:00 a.m.
Baby Group..... 10:30 a.m.

*Kiddush is sponsored by **Sandy and Mark Abraham** in honor of the birth of their granddaughter **Rena.***

Women's Torah Institute..... 5:00 p.m.
Early Mincha ..... 5:40 p.m.
Family Seudah Shlishit ..... 6:00 p.m.
Daf Yomi (Bava Batra 174) .. 7:20 p.m.
Late Mincha ..... 8:05 p.m.
Maariv..... 9:13 p.m.
Motzei Shabbat ..... 9:17 p.m.

מטות/מסעי

Sunday Shacharit.....8:00 & 9:00 a.m.
Monday & Thursday Shacharit .....
.....6:25 & 7:45 a.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday
Shacharit .....6:35 & 7:45 a.m.
Sunday-Thursday Mincha/Maariv.....
..... 8:10 p.m.
Monday- Thursday late Maariv.....
..... 9:30 p.m.
Friday Candlelighting..... 8:04 p.m.
Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat/Maariv.....
.....7:00 & 8:10 p.m.

North Side Minyan July
(7:00 p.m. through Summer)
Elliot and Susan Frank
20 Harrison St, Edison

ברוך הבא

Ahavas Achim would like to warmly welcome all newcomers, visitors and guests who are joining us for Shabbat. If **President Jeremy Renna** or **Rabbi Steven Miodownik** don't get a chance to greet you personally, please come up and introduce yourself. We'd like to meet you!

SYNAGOGUE NEWS

המקום ינחם

The Congregation extends its condolences to **Marc Kolb** on the loss of his father, **Edward Kolb ז"ל.** Marc is sitting Shiva with his family through **Thursday night** at **1369 Hudson Road, Teaneck,** and will complete Shiva at **205 Barnard St., Highland Park,** from **Friday morning** to **Tuesday morning. Shacharit: Friday, Monday** and **Tuesday** at **7:45 a.m.** and **Sunday 8:00 a.m.; Mincha: Sunday** and **Monday** at **8:10 p.m.** May he and his family be comforted among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

צאתך לשלום

We wish צאתך לשלום to **Irving Secemski** who is moving to Florida. We wish him much success in his new home.

WOMEN'S TORAH INSTITUTE

"Free Love and Our Return to Yerushalayim" with **Merri Ukraincik** is this year's fourth installment of Ahavas Achim Women's Torah institute at **5:00 p.m. this Shabbat, July 15** at the home of **Debbie Botvinik, 26 Perry Road, Edison.** Spend a meaningful and enjoyable shabbat afternoon with old friends and new.

FAMILY SEUDAH SHLISHIT

Family Seudah Shlishit is *BACK!* Come spend time with friends and family; eating food, playing games, and supporting our Shul and year-round Seudah Shlishit. Sponsorship opportunities are available throughout the summer, and we still need a sponsor for next week. For more information, please contact **Eli Weiss** at **Weiss515@gmail.com.**

During July and August, our Shabbat afternoon schedule is as follows:

First Mincha: 5:40 p.m.

Family Summer Seudah Shlishit: 6:00 p.m.

Daf Yomi: 40 minutes before second Mincha

Second Mincha: Z'man (varies each week)

NAMES NOT NUMBERS

The entire community is invited for a special screening of **Names Not Numbers** in the Axelrad Social Hall at Ahavas Achim on **Tisha B'Av, Tuesday, August 1,** at **2:30 p.m.** (Mincha will be at 2:00 p.m.). Researched, filmed, edited, and produced by the eighth grade students of RPRY (Class of 2016) in conjunction with a nationally recognized program, this moving and inspirational film interweaves conversations with Holocaust survivors from our community with the reflections of the students who recorded their accounts for posterity. Tisha B'Av is a most appropriate day to

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Office: 732.819.8895
Email: PinnyCohen@gmail.com

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Sushiana
Open Motzei Shabbat - (732) 640-0111
17 N. 4th Avenue, Highland Park NJ

SALIT AUTO REPAIR
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732-246-4811 info@salitautosales.com
NEW HOURS!
We are open
Monday–Friday,
8am–5pm
for all your service
& maintenance needs.

Please note: These are all paid advertising.

רפואה שלמה

Please include the following חולים in your תפילות.

רינה שרה בת נתניה

תמר קרן בת נסה גולדה

ישראל באר בן ציפורה

חוה תמר שרה בת חוה מינדל פייגה

צפורה בת נאוה

Susan Borger - שרה רוזה בת פשה

Eva Grin - חוה רחל בת דבורה

Bernie Israel -דוב בֶּער מאיר הלוי בן גליקה

Anny Safier - אופירה חיה בת רבקה צביה

Magda Winter - חנה מגדה בת פרל רבקה

Maurice Willer - משה בן שרה

To add names to this list, please email: ***secretary@ahavasachim.org*** *or call the Shul office:* ***732-247-0532.***

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remember the tragedy of the Shoah, and we encourage all adults and children ages 11 and up to join us for this important presentation.

AHAVAS ACHIM RECYCLING FUND-RAISER

There is a collection box in the **coat room** for the following items: **smart phones, cell phones, inkjet cartridges, iPads, smart watches, gold & silver jewelry.** These items do not have to be working to be dropped off.

All items of these types dropped off will result in revenue for AA. So, you now have a place to deposit your broken jewelry and technology products rather than sending them to the landfill, and in the process help provide additional revenue for the shul. For more information, please contact **Ira Rosen** at **732-393-1018** or **ira_rosen@yahoo.com.**

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAVE ON YOUR TAXES TWICE?

Donate appreciated stock or mutual fund shares to Ahavas Achim. You may receive a tax deduction for the full market value of the donated shares and avoid paying capital gains taxes on the appreciated value should you have sold the shares yourself. Additionally, donations made directly from an IRA requiring minimum distributions may be eligible to be excluded from taxable income, while counting as part of your minimum distribution amount. You can donate any amount and apply it towards dues or any other shul fundraising item(s). If you have questions or to participate, please email **Avi Freidenreich** at **afreidenreich@gmail.com.**

Disclaimer: This should not be considered tax advice. Please consult with a tax advisor before participating.

ETZ CHAIM

If you'd like to help our **עץ חיים** continue to blossom with new leaves, please call **Hava Freidenreich** at **732-777-2015** with your life-cycle שמחה event or email the wording for the leaf to **hava.bresler@gmail.com.** Each leaf is **$250,** and **$1000** will pay for a stone. All leaves and stones include personalized commemorative certificates sent to the honorees.

LOOKING TO DECLUTTER?

Donate your gently used, resalable items for our annual **Yard Sale!** Drop off at the shul. Please contact **Miriam Tennenbaum** at **aayouth100@gmail.com** before you drop off.

ISRAEL PICTURES WANTED!

Are you and/or your family member(s) living in Israel? Ahavas Achim wishes to expand our collection of pictures of our extended family in Eretz Yisrael! Please email your family photo to **secretary@ahavasachim.org.** We will take care of the framing and your pictures will be displayed at our annual Yom Haatzmaut events.

STAY CONNECTED!

Would you like to keep abreast of all the wonderful events taking place at Ahavas Achim as well as receive timely notifications of funeral announcements? Does only one person in your house receive Ahavas Achim emails and then forget to share them with you? Please take one minute to directly join our email notification lists and receive our weekly bulletin via email link each Thursday or Friday:

1. Please send an email to **Rachel** at **secretary@ahavasachim.org** to receive shul-wide event emails such as scholars-in-residence, youth programs, and schedules of services.
2. Please visit **www.ahavasachim.org** and select **"Sign up for AA emails"** under the **"Synagogue Information"** menu to subscribe to our funeral notification system and weekly bulletin.

AAU SHIURIM

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

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

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

Thursday 9:30 a.m. Masechet Brachot with Rabbi Eli Reisman *(for men only)*

Shabbat 9:30 a.m. *(after 7:00 a.m. Shacharit)* Kitvei HaRamban

Shabbat before Mincha Daf Yomi with Judah Abraham

SISTERHOOD NEWS

KIDDUSH REMINDER

The kiddush for **this Shabbat** is: The Kiddush committee for **Shabbat, July 22** is: **Michael and Terri Rosenberg, Resnick** and **Rosen.** The Kiddush committee for **Shabbat, July 29** is: **Rabin, Yaakov and Avital Rosenberg, Ross, Rovner** and **Ruskin.** The Kiddush committee for **Shabbat, August 5** is: **Alan and Jodie Salit, Steve and Ann Salit** and **Sandler.**

BOOK CLUB

The next **AA Sisterhood Book Club** meeting will take place on **Wednesday, August 2** at **8:30 p.m.** at the home of **Shoshy Akman, 45 North 8th Avenue, Highland Park.** The book we will be discussing is ***Crazy Rich Asians*** by Kevin Kwan. We hope you can join us!

Please note that on **Tuesday, September 26** at **SUSHIANA** the AA Sisterhood book club will meet and discuss the book ***The Fortune Cookie Chronicles*** by Jennifer Lee.

YOUTH NEWS

KINOT FOR KIDS

All children in **Grades 3-6** are invited to a special program on the observance of **Tisha B'Av** at **1:00 p.m.** on **Tuesday, August 1,** in the Youth Wing, featuring

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age-appropriate lessons, stories and songs about this day of national mourning. *This program is dedicated by **Leila Guzman** in memory of her husband, **Erez Guzman** ז"ל*

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.

SHABBAT GROUPS BIRTHDAY PARTY SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

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!

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.

COMMUNITY NEWS

PROJECT MAKOM

Please come **this Wednesday, July 19** at **8:00 p.m.** to a multi-media presentation by **Jew in the City** and **Project Makom** founder and director, **Allison Josephs.** The program will be held at **4 Fairhill Road, Edison.** Learn more about Project Makom, how the OTD (Off the Derech) Movement got started, and how you can get involved. Find out how you can help these Jews find their place in Orthodoxy. This is a chance to increase Jewish unity and inclusion during the Three Weeks.

In 2003, Footsteps was founded to assist people to transition out of the ultra-Orthodox community. They have over 1100 members to date. In 2007, Jew in the City (a 501(c)3) was founded to rebrand Orthodox Jews and Judaism and publicize all the open-minded, educated, out-of-the-box frum Jews traditional media rarely reports on. In 2014, Jew in the City was approached by people who considered going to Footsteps, but instead asked Jew in the City to help them find the kind of Orthodoxy described on its platforms. Thus, Project Makom, was born. Refreshments will be served.

Jew in the City is endorsed by Rav Chaim Malinowitz, editor of the Artscoll Gemara. Project Makom has received a bracha by the Bostoner Rebbe of Yerushalayim, Rav Mayer Alter Horowitz. Its rabbinic advisers include Rav Yitzchak Shurin, Rosh Midrasha of Midreshet Rachel v'Chaya.

TIFERES DVD FOR WOMEN

The next **Tiferes DVD** for women, **"The Hand of the Tongue: Live Life Better with Shimiras Haloshon"** featuring **Rabbi Mansour** and **Tovi Baron,** will be shown **next Motzei Shabbat, July 22** at **10:00 p.m. prompt** at the **Siegel** house. Weekly teleconferences with topics such as shalom bayit and parenting are available to Tiferes members. Current teleconference: **"Raise-the-Bar Parenting"** with **Simi Yellen.** For more information, contact **Aviva Siegel** at **siegelmom@optonline.net.**

ZICHRON MENACHEM

For my Bar Mitzvah chesed project, I am selling **kippot** for **$15** that I designed with Zichron Menachem's logo. **Zichron Menachem (www.zichron.org)** is an Israeli organization that helps kids in Israel with cancer. To buy a kippah, email: **filhartbarmitzvah@gmail.com** or drop off/mail the money to my house, **12 Celler Road, Edison, NJ 08817.** Thank you or your support!

Sapir Filhart

RPRY CORPORATE GOLF OUTING

Please join the **RPRY Corporate Golf Outing** on **Tuesday, August 8:**

8:00 a.m. Breakfast

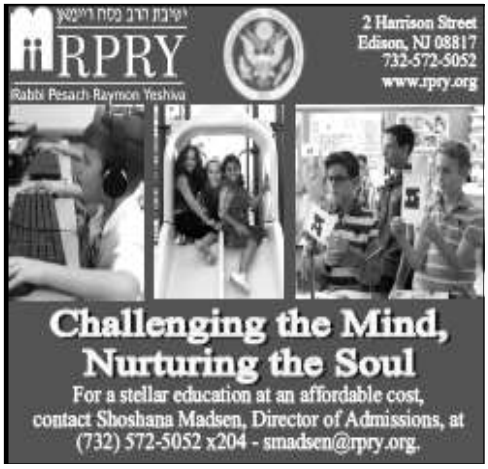
YAHRZEITS

7/17	Jane Frankel	Father
	Lloyd Greenberg	Father
7/19	Bernice Shapiro	Father
7/21	Fran Ackerman	Mother

9:00 a.m. Shotgun Start

1:30 p.m. Lunch

Come out for a great day of golf, competition, contests and networking. Support excellent education, innovation and inspiration! Please ask your colleagues, partners, vendors and business friends to participate. You can register at: **rprygolfouting.yapsody.com.** For more information, speak to **Jeremy Renna** or **Shoham Filhart,** event co-chairs.



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JEC ANNUAL GOLF OUTING

Have you signed up for the **Jewish Educational Center's Annual Golf Outing** at the exclusive **Shackamaxon Country Club this Monday, July 17** yet? Foursomes for this year's event are filling up fast! Please register online at: **www.JECGolfOuting.org** for an opportunity to reunite and network with fellow JEC-RTMA-Bruriah alumni, business and professional colleagues and peers. Enjoy a terrific game of golf on a beautiful course. Partake in a delectable BBQ on the green and gala dinner buffet with sushi and carving stations to round out the day and win exciting prizes. Most of all, help support the students of the Jewish Educational Center. It's going to be incredible! You won't want to miss it!

OHR TORAH SISTERHOOD SUMMER SPEAKER

Ohr Torah Sisterhood invites all women to attend an evening of inspiration and connection featuring the well known speaker and educator, **Chani Juravel.** The topic for the evening is: **"Finding Redemption Within: Connecting to the Three Weeks and Tisha B'Av,"** and will take place at a private home **next Wednesday, July 26** at **8:00 p.m.** There is no cost to attend but sponsorships are welcome. Light refreshments will be served. Please email **Rachelle_Stern@yahoo.com** or call **Marni Broder** at **201-674-8000** for more information or to RSVP.

JEWISH YOUTH HOCKEY PROGRAM FOR BOYS IN GRADES 3-8 STARTING AT RPRY IN THE FALL!

RPRY is thrilled to open a brand new program designed to provide boys in grades 3-8 with an opportunity to play floor hockey on Sundays. There will be two divisions: a **JV division** for **grades 3-5** and a **Varsity division** for **grades 6-8.** Participants will play an 8-game regular season and will have a playoff at the end of the season. The program will run on Sundays starting in September at **RPRY** and is open to children of all area schools (RPRY, YST, Netivot, etc). This is great for boys who want to learn how to play or anyone who knows how to play and wants more floor time.

Registration is open, with a cost of **$175.** Space is *VERY* limited and will be on a first come, first served basis, so please register ASAP! Please contact **David Zelingher** at **Dzel81@gmail.com** or **Aharon Goldwasser** at **aharon.goldwasser@gmail.com** for more information. Registration can be completed at: **www.JewishYouthHockey.com.** Looking forward to this exciting new Fall program!

KEREN KOL KALLAH

Aviva Siegel is collecting used or new custom **sheitels** for **Keren Kol Kallah.** The sheitels are sold at very discounted prices at a gala sheitel sale to women who would otherwise not have the funds to buy a quality wig. All the money raised at the sale goes towards a hachnasat kallah fund which helps needy brides in Eretz Yisrael. Last year's sale profited over $60,000! If you have a sheitel that you've recently (or not so recently) retired, or if you are a sheitel macher and have some unsold stock, please donate the sheitels to Keren Kol Kallah. Sheitels can be dropped off by **Aviva, 16 Edgemount Road, Edison.** For more information, please contact **Aviva** at **732-572-4408** or **siegelmom@optonline.net** or visit: **www.kerenkolkallah.webs.com.**

WILF CAMPUS FAMILY VOLUNTEER CORP

Be a part of the fun and share your talents with Stein residents.

Are you a musician, singer or a poet? Do you enjoy gardening or have another hobby? Do you like to play Mah Jongg, canasta, scrabble or other games? Perhaps you would like to lead a current events discussion or a trivia game? The Wilf Campus can always use an extra pair of hands on a trip, or someone to assist the Rabbi on Shabbat or a Holiday. Don't see your talent on this list but want to get involved? Give them a call!

You can volunteer a few times a year, once a month, every other week, or weekly, whatever fits your schedule. They would love to have you. For more information on how you can enrich the lives of residents, please call **732-568-1155** or email **Toby Ehrlich** at **tehrlich@wilfcampus.org** or **Jackie Kott** at **jkott@wilfcampus.org.**

RARITAN VALLEY AND L'DOR V'DOR HADASSAH ROSH HASHANAH HONEY SALE

Raritan Valley and **L'Dor V'Dor Hadassah** are here to help you plan a most sweet New Year! Purchase a jar of **Rosh Hashanah Honey** and share a sweet New Year with friends and family.

To order honey online…

Visit **https://rhhoney.com,** scroll all way down past the big jar of honey, and click **"Add to cart,"** then click **"View cart."** Enter the number of honey gift packages you want to order. Each gift package can be shipped to a different address. Enter the Coupon Code **"Raritan Valley"** and click **"Apply coupon"** to obtain the special price of **$9.50** per jar. *Scroll down to see your actual cost.* Click **"Proceed to Checkout"** where you'll submit your shipping addresses and billing information. **Online orders** must be submitted by **Wednesday, September 16.**

To order honey the old fashioned way, write…

Your name, address, phone, and email address and the name and address of each recipient and the number of honey jars going each recipient's way. Please enclose a check a check made out to **Hadassah** for **$9.50** for each jar of honey and mail to **Sara L. Goodman, 311 Montgomery Street, Highland Park, NJ 08904. Mail orders** must be received by **Monday, August 28.**

RARITAN VALLEY HADASSAH TO SEE THE DALE CHIHULY EXHIBIT AT THE NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN

Join **Raritan Valley Hadassah** on **Wednesday, September 6** at the **New York Botanical Gardens.** Enjoy a guided tour of the **Chihuly exhibit** showcasing his signature organic shapes in brilliant colors including a monumental reimagination of his storied 1975 Artpark installation, with three new works enlivening the water features of the Native Plant Garden and the Enid A. Haupt Conservatory Courtyard's Tropical Pool, reflecting the interplay and movement of color and light.

Men, women, Hadassah Members and Non-Members are most welcome. Bus leaves Highland Park at **9:15 a.m. sharp;** returns approximately **5:00 p.m.** Cost: **$95**—includes transportation, admission and guided tour. *Please bring your own lunch. Space is limited; please register now!* For questions and registration, please contact **Elaine Rand Fromkin** at **memajules1@gmail.com** or **732-257-1525.**

כל המתאבל על ירושלים
זוכה ורואה בשמחתה

חוג עברית

Chug Ivrit for intermediate to advanced Hebrew speakers, sponsored by Raritan Valley Hadassah, will hold their next meeting on **Sunday, July 30** at **11:00 a.m.** at the home of **Eli Leiter and Rosey Bell, 130 Valentine Street, Highland Park.** To join them, please RSVP to **Rosey** at **roselynbe@aol.com** or **732-819-0593.**

KEILIM MIKVAH HOURS

Ohr Torah Keilim Mikvah hours are officially **Sundays** from **7:00–10:00 a.m.** If you need special access during non-open hours, please contact **Barry Siegel** at **siegeldad@optonline.net** or **732-572-4408.**

ATTENTION: HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS & WW II VETERANS

Share your experiences with the younger generation:

Looking for 8 seniors who are either Holocaust survivors or WW II Veterans who served in the European Theater and are willing to share "their stories" with twelfth grade girls from a local day school once a month for 8 months starting in October.

This is part of the *Better Together Program* grant funded and aimed at forming inter-generational connections. It will empower twelfth graders of a local Yeshiva who will be studying about the Shoah to connect with an older generation in Middlesex County and learn valuable lessons and narratives. Students will be well prepared for their visits with tailored curricula of history and memoir writing.

Contact **Sue Horwitz** at **732-593-5958** at the **Jewish Community Center of Middlesex County** for more information and to become a part of "Better Together."

HADASSAH FAMILY DAY AT JOHNSON PARK

Join **Raritan Valley** and **L'Dor V'Dor Hadassah** on **Sunday, August 13** at **11:30 a.m.** for a fun and relaxing **Family Day at Johnson Park.** Meet at the open picnic grove near the zoo. Bring your husbands, children and grandchildren along with your own picnic lunches, sunscreen, and any balls, games or activities you'd like to do in the park. Visit the petting zoo and enjoy the sunshine. Light refreshments will be served. Please RSVP by **Thursday, August 10** to **Marnie Kean** at **marniek18@gmail.com.**

RPRY TUITION AFFORDABILITY PROGRAM

RPRY is pleased to provide a an opportunity to apply for the new pilot **Tuition Affordability Program (TAP)** for this coming 2017-18 school year. Apply at: **https://fs27.formsite.com/RPRY/form3/index.html.** Applications must be received by **July 31.**

ACTT

The **Emunah 2** module is dedicated in memory of: **Chaya Friedman, z"l.** The current source book is: Artscroll's ***"Living Emunah volume 2—Achieving A Life of Serenity Through Faith"*** by Rabbi David Ashear. The audio of Rabbi Bregman's insightful and inspiring **"How To Achieve Success Through Emunah"** presentation is now available for listening or downloading from the website: **www.actt613.org/6.html.** For more information, email **info@actt613.org** or call **Phil Rosen** at **732-572-8762.**

PARK MIKVAH

Park Mikvah is proud to announce that they are now open. **Sunday-Thursday** hours are **9:00-11:00 p.m.** Friday night by appointment only by leaving a message at **732-249-2411** or via their website: **www.parkmikvah.org.** Motzei Shabbat hours: **July 15, 22, 29, August 5, 12: 10:00 11:30 p.m. August 19, 26: 9:30–11:30 p.m. Tisha B'Av July 31: closed; August 1, after fast: hours: 10:15–11:30 p.m.** They are asking women to *bring their own towel/robe*. They appreciate your patience and financial support. Please continue to check **www.parkmikvah.org** and voice message at **732-249-2411** for updates.

Have you participated in this incredible mitzvah campaign yet? Visit: **www.parkmikvah.org/donate** to help raise the remaining funds!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR BIKUR CHOLIM

Bikur Cholim of Raritan Valley is in need of more drivers to be able to serve everybody. If you are able to help out, please visit: **bikurcholimrv.com/volunteers/become-a-volunteer.** You do not have to be available all the time. Even if you are free for part of one day each week or only for the summer, your help is still appreciated. please contact **Susan Kollmar** at **rsdmk@yahoo.com** for more information.

In addition, they are seeking adults and 11th graders and older to visit homebound people in our community. For more information, please call **Bikur Cholim** at **732-572-7181.** They are also seeking volunteers to visit at the Regency nursing home on DeMott Lane in Somerset. For more information, contact **Rahel Baruh** at **732-672-4673** or **rbaruh@yahoo.com.**

Bikur Cholim is also looking for **Mother's Helpers** to help with a special need's five year old girl. Volunteers are needed for any time, Monday through Friday. They are looking for girls 10th grade and up. If you can help, even for a few hours, please call **Rivka Teresh** directly at **347-598-9448.**

Bikur Cholim OWLS (Overnight Women Labor Support) is a complimentary service for maternity situations whereby volunteers will come to stay with your kids during the night. For more information on receiving this service or becoming a volunteer, please contact **Rikki** at **732-249-5116.** Thank you.

LIFE-SAVING LOCAL TZEDAKAH NEEDED

This campaign was started by longtime members of our community, who are presently struggling with the serious issue of having a family member trying to recover in rehab. They need to raise about **$6,000** a month and rehab can take about a year.

Please open up your hearts, visit: **https://thechesedfund.com/cause/** and enter the name of the campaign which is **please-help-us-afford-rehab-to-save-our-son** and help this local family keep their son in rehab. If you wish to make out a check instead of contributing online, please make it out to **Congregation Ohav Emeth.** In the memo write **Rabbi's Charity Fund.** On a separate note (*NOT* in memo), write that it is for the **Rehab campaign.**

QUILTING CLUB AT ETZ AHAIM

Etz Ahaim will be hosting a **Quilting Club** for quilters at all levels from on **Tuesdays** from **7:00-9:00 p.m.** from **August 8** through **Labor Day.** Continuance will depend on level of interest. For more information and RSVP, please contact **Chana Bishburg** at **kbishburg@aol.com.**

HP FIRST AID SQUAD DISCOUNT CARDS ARE NOW AVAILABLE!

To purchase the new **HP First Aid Squad Discount Cards,** please contact any squad member including: **Josh Loewenstein, Joe Benedek, the Lewitter family** and **the White family.** Cards are also sold at **Jerusalem Pizza, Giddy's Pizzeria, Cyber Knight, Covered Girl Clothing, Judaica Gallery,** by **Leah Paretzky** and from **Rachel** in the **Ahavas Achim** office. Same price as last year: **1** for **$25, 2** for **$40** or **3** for **$50.**

CHESED OPPORTUNITY

Jewish Family Services of Middlesex County is looking for volunteers to assist in various community centered programs and office work. Programs include:

- Assisting the elderly community including: support for programming, home visits for friendship and companionship, money watch/bill pay assistance, Medicare navigation as well as education to prevent Medicare fraud, waste and abuse
- Tutoring English as a second language
- Delivering Kosher Meals on Wheels
- Serving as instructors at the Women's Center

Volunteers are an integral part of the JFS team. Dedicated individuals contribute their unique talents, skills, and knowledge to impact the community. For more information, please contact JFS Volunteer Coordinator, **Phyllis Freed** at **phyllisf@jfsmiddlesex.org** or **732-777-1940.**

GOWN GEMACH

The Edison/Highland Park **Gown Gemach** is open for business! The Gemach houses a wide selection of gowns for children, pre-teen, teens and adults. Please note the Gemach is still looking for donation of gowns in very good condition. Tax deduction is given and pick up of the gowns can also be arranged. For more information and/or to schedule an appointment please call **Sara Scott** at **516-526-0941.**

JCC OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY OFFERS SEPARATE SWIM TIMES FOR MEN AND WOMEN

For those who enjoy swimming, the **JCC of Middlesex County,** 1775 Oak Tree Road, Edison, has set aside certain hours for separate swim for men and women. Women and girls will have sole use of the pool **Mondays** from **8:30-9:30 p.m.**

Men and boys will be able to swim on **Wednesdays** from **8:30-9:30 p.m.** Boys or girls under the age of 10 **MUST** have a parent in the water and teens ages 11-16 must have a parent (or an adult) in the building.

Use of the pool is **FREE** to **Full Family** and **Adult members** of the JCC. **Non-members** must purchase a **Water Fitness Card** for **$50** for **10 individual swims.** Water Fitness cards may be purchased at the JCC Front Desk. For more information, please contact **Diane Mael** at **dmael@jccmc.org** or **732-494-3232 ext 614.**

HP/EDISON DIAPER GEMACH

Donations of diapers, pull-ups, and wipes are currently being accepted for the new HP/Edison **Diaper Gemach.** For more information, please email **diapergemach@gmail.com** or call **Leah Epshteyn** at **917-763-1848.**

EMPLOYMENT NETWORK OF RARITAN VALLEY

Looking for work? **ENRV** can help. Go to **www.ENRV.org** or contact **Bob Lansey** at **ENRVInfo@gmail.com.** They post over 100 jobs each month, and help people with their resume and search strategies. **Please help:** If you know of any professional, part-time, or temporary job openings, contact **Bob Lansey** at **ENRVInfo@gmail.com.**

AHAVAS YISRAEL SUMMER KOLLEL

Ahavas Yisrael Summer Kollel is back in full force! It will run through **July 20** on **Mondays** and **Wednesdays** from **8:00-10:00 p.m.** Joining Ahavas Yisrael for the Summer Kollel will be members of Rabbi Brudny's Kollel. Together they will be learning topics in the 6th perek of **Mesechet Brachot.** For more information, contact **Avi Milgraum** at **732-339-8749.**

LOCAL SHAATNEZ TESTING OPTIONS

Shatnez testing is available at the following locations: The testing is done on the premises once a week.

Rainbow Cleaners, 705 Raritan Ave, Highland Park 732-572-3896

Lily's Cleaners, 1664 Rt 27, Edison 732-985-1444

Fashion Care Cleaners, Plainfield Ave, Edison 732-572-1181

The Clothing Center, 645 Highway 18 East Brunswick, 732-254-0870

For more information, contact **Yosef Sayagh** at **732-330-4103.**

Shaatnez testing is also available at the **Agudah.** Garments should be dropped off on Sunday morning.

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