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NEWSLETTER

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This NEWSLETTER covers 4 weeks of Services and Yahrzeits commencing July 1st.

CONGRATULATIONS

**To the newly elected Officers
And
Board of Trustees
On the Congregational Board**

*Fast of
17th of Tammuz*

Officers

President	Dr. Paul Ratzker
1st Vice President	Ephi Eisenberg
2nd Vice President	David Bellicha
Treasurer	Robert Tafet
Secretary	Keith Mendelson

Tuesday, July 19th

Fast Day Service Schedule

**Trustees
Gloria Sharret**

<i>Fast Begins</i>	3:59 AM
Shacharit	6:25 AM
Mincha	8:00 PM
Fast Ends	9:04 PM

**We would also like to thank the
following outgoing Board Member
for his service
Trustees
Jacob Plotsker**



Synagogue Office
Closed
Monday, July 4th

WEEKLY LEARNING

MONDAYS

**WOMEN'S TEFILLA LEARNING
GROUP WITH RABBI FEUERSTEIN
VARIOUS MEMBERS HOMES - 9:00PM**

**LIVINGSTON KOLLEL COMMUNITY
STUDY - 8:30-9:30 PM – Beit Midrash**

TUESDAYS

**WOMEN'S MORNING TEHILLIM
GROUP - 9:15 AM – Beit Midrash**

WEDNESDAYS

**KITZUR SHULCHAN ARUCH STUDY
GROUP 6:25 AM**

**RABBI'S TELE-SHIUR
on the weekly Parsha**

12:15-12:30 PM
973-409-3117 * 866-266-3378
Conference ID# 973-994-2620
Pin # 994-2629

EVENING CLASS

by Rabbi Feuerstein 9:00 PM
The Writings of Rabbi Joseph
Soloveitchik regarding the problem of
suffering in his essay: Fate and
Destiny

THURSDAYS

**WOMEN'S TEFILLA LEARNING
GROUP WITH RABBI FEUERSTEIN–
VARIOUS MEMBERS HOMES- 10:00AM**

EVENING CLASS 9:00PM
Avelut: A Study of the Laws of
Mourning in the Talmud and Codes

SHABBAT AFTERNOONS

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP
Time & Place announced each week.

RABBI'S SHIUR

The Revelation on Mt. Sinai and the
Ten Commandments

WEEKDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

SHACHARIT

Sunday & Legal Holidays	8:30 AM
Monday, Thursday & Rosh Chodesh	6:35 AM
Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday	6:45 AM

EVENINGS

Week of July 3 rd	8:25 PM
Week of July 10 th	8:20 PM
Week of July 17 th	8:15 PM
Week of July 24 th	8:10 PM
Week of July 31 st	8:00 PM

Please note:

Mincha on Friday Evenings will begin at 7:00 PM and continue at that time throughout the summer

SHABBAT

29/30 SIVAN 5771 **July 1/2 2011**
Friday Evening c.l. **Before 8:13 PM**
Services **7:00 PM**

SHABBAT MORNING

Shacharit **8:50 AM**

Sedra (weekly portion)

Chukas

Rosh Chodesh Tammuz

We bless the new month of Tammuz on
Shabbat, July 2nd and Sunday, July 3rd

SERMON by Rabbi Feuerstein

KIDDUSH

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP

Will not take place this week

RABBI'S CLASS **7:00 PM**
The Revelation on Mt. Sinai and the Ten
Commandments

MINCHA **8:00 PM**

Followed by Seudah Shlishit
MAARIV and HAVDALLAH

SHABBAT ENDS **9:23 PM**

SHABBAT

6/7 TAMMUZ 5771 **July 8/9 2011**
Friday Evening c.l. **Before 8:11 PM**
Services **7:00 PM**

SHABBAT MORNING

Shacharit **8:50 AM**

Sedra (weekly portion)

Balak

SERMON by Rabbi Feuerstein

KIDDUSH

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP

To be announced

RABBI'S CLASS **7:00 PM**

The Revelation on Mt. Sinai and the Ten
Commandments

MINCHA **8:00 PM**

Followed by Seudah Shlishit Sponsored By:
MAARIV and HAVDALLAH

SHABBAT ENDS **9:21 PM**

SHABBAT

13/14 SIVAN 5771 **July 15/16 2011**
Friday Evening c.l. **Before 8:08PM**
Services **7:00 PM**

SHABBAT MORNING

Shacharit **8:50 AM**

Sedra (weekly portion)

Pinchas

SERMON by Rabbi Feuerstein

KIDDUSH

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP

To be announced

RABBI'S CLASS **7:00 PM**

The Revelation on Mt. Sinai and the Ten
Commandments

MINCHA **8:00 PM**

Followed by Seudah Shlishit
MAARIV and HAVDALLAH
SHABBAT ENDS 9:16 PM

Followed by Seudah Shlishit
MAARIV and HAVDALLAH
SHABBAT ENDS 9:02 PM

SHABBAT

20/21 SIVAN 5771 July 22/23 2011
Friday Evening c.l. Before 8:03 PM
Services 7:00 PM

SHABBAT MORNING

Shacharit 8:50 AM

Sedra (weekly portion)

Mattos

SERMON by Rabbi Feuerstein

KIDDUSH

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP

To be announced

RABBI'S CLASS 6:50 PM

The Revelation on Mt. Sinai and the Ten
Commandments

MINCHA 7:50 PM

Followed by Seudah Shlishit
MAARIV and HAVDALLAH

SHABBAT ENDS 9:10 PM

SHABBAT

27/28 TAMMUZ 5771 July 29/30 2011
Friday Evening c.l. Before 7:56 PM
Services 7:00 PM

SHABBAT MORNING

Shacharit 8:50 AM

Sedra (weekly portion)

Masei

SERMON by Rabbi Feuerstein

KIDDUSH

WOMEN'S STUDY GROUP

To be announced

RABBI'S CLASS 6:45 PM

The Revelation on Mt. Sinai and the Ten
Commandments

MINCHA 7:45 PM

Welcome Home!

We would like to welcome home the
all of our children who spent time
studying in Israel this year!



Summer Hours

Monday-Friday
9:15 AM – 3:30 PM

Please note:

The Synagogue office will be closed
the weeks of July 18th and August
22nd. No one will be in the office to
assist you or answer the phones. If
you need assistance, please email
karen@suburbantorah.org and you
will be answered as soon as possible.

made special arrangements will not be eligible for the benefits of Shul membership, including holiday seats and Aliyot throughout the year.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES

The 2011/2012 budget was approved at this year's congregational meeting and the statements have been mailed out. The dues will remain the same for the 2011/2012 fiscal year. Salaries, Mortgages, and utilities make up a majority of our expenses and these are more or less fixed obligations leaving us with limited flexibility in cost management. Uncertainty of collections has been a major source of financial difficulties. We urge all members to select a payment plan that best suits them and be conscientious in staying with their plan. All payment plans are due with your post dated checks or credit card information by August 15th.

Please be aware that members who are not in good standing or have not

FAIR SHARE CAMPAIGN

The Fair Share Campaign is importance to the financial stability of our shul. We would like to increase the number of members in this category. The forms have been mailed along with your annual dues statement.

We ask you to consider increasing your commitment to the shul by joining the fair share program this year. The first level, called "Leadership," is RELATIVELY affordable, and includes basic membership, standard journal ad, annual dinner reservations, and a Kol Nidre pledge.

VOUCHER PROGRAM

This program represents an excellent opportunity to contribute to the SSTC without spending your own money. Basically, when you purchase a voucher card from the SSTC, SSTC collects 5% from our participating vendors. We carry vouchers for Shop Rite, Pathmark, Kings and Jerusalem Restaurant. Gift Cards are available during regular hours at the SSTC office or by contacting Nancy Perlmutter after office hours. If paid by check or cash, a 2 ½ % Donor Credit will be applied towards the annual dinner.

TICKETS & SEATS FOR HIGH HOLIDAYS

The forms to purchase tickets and reserve your seats for the High Holidays are in the process of being mailed out. Below is an explanation of the process for High Holiday tickets and reserved seats.

Members in good standing receive tickets at no charge

Your membership entitles you to receive High Holiday tickets for the adults and students (children 12 years and older) in your immediate household. Recently married children (less than one year) are also entitled to these tickets.

Purchase High Holiday tickets for independent children and guests

Members are required to purchase a ticket for each child who is

independent and living away from home. You must also buy tickets for other guests such as parents, relatives and friends.

Option to reserve your High Holiday seats

We will again be offering our members in good standing the option to reserve specific seats for the High Holidays for a fee. Members who reserved seats last year will be given the choice to keep the same seat this year. However, after August 15th, all unconfirmed seats will be freed up and sold on a first come, first serve basis.

- The reservation is valid for both Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. The price of a reserved seat is not reduced if you are attending only one holiday at SSTC.
- Payment for the seats you reserve must be received with your selection.
- Seats in the Sanctuary are numbered. Your High Holiday tickets will be numbered and correspond to the seat you reserved.

BABYSITTING FOR HIGH HOLIDAY

The Youth Department will once again be having babysitting for children during the High Holiday services.

The forms are in the process of being mailed out along with your High Holiday seating request forms. Please make sure to include your children and any children that your guests might have.

Only children that have been registered will be admitted into the groups.

Please submit your forms by August 18th to secure your child(ren)'s spot.

Thank you.

SSTC 42nd Anniversary Dinner

The Synagogue's 42nd Annual Dinner was held on Tuesday evening, June 21st, at The Atrium in West Orange. Everyone gathered with their friends as we celebrated our Synagogue and paid tribute to our worthy honorees.

Robert Tafet began the program with a beautiful tribute to our late secretary, Joanne Masini. Everyone knew Joanne from seeing her in the office, but Robert was able to paint a more personal picture of Joanne. He told how she dedicated herself to making sure everything ran smooth at the Synagogue and how she will be missed by all. Her family was grateful for the honor and for all of the support everyone showed Joanne during her illness.

Next, we all received a little "comic relief" as Rabbi Aaron Leff and Yosef Feuerstein shared their rendition of "Who Is George Brimage?" with the dinner guests. George is always around on Shabbat, holidays, everyday at the Synagogue and by listening to both Aaron and Yosef, we were able to see the other side of George. From their tales, we learned that George is an all around type of guy. Not only is he the custodian, but he is also the hall monitor, eruv guru, kitchen manager, traveling handy man, and so much more rolled into one.

The program ended with Rabbi Feuerstein presenting the Keter Shem Tov Award to Ailon Maik. Rabbi thanked Ailon for his hard work and dedication to the Synagogue through his work with Chesed and Israel. Rabbi also acknowledged that Ailon is very close to completing a seven year personal project – the daf yomi – learning the entire Talmud, a page each day.

An enjoyable evening was had by those who attended.

Thank you to the Dinner and Journal chairs, and their committees for all of their hard work in planning this event.

Thank you to Martha and Ailon Maik for once again printing the beautiful invitations.

Plans are already underway for our 43rd Anniversary Dinner. If you are interested in participating with any aspect of the dinner (including being the honoree), please contact the office.

Mazel Tov! **Rabbi Shimshon Jacob**

We are pleased to share with you the news that our Youth Director, Rabbi Shimshon Jacob, as a RKYHS teacher and alumnus, has been named the winner of the Adele z"l and Gene Hoffman Award by the Partnership for Jewish Learning and Life, as well as the MetroWest recipient of the Grinspoon-Steinhardt Award for Jewish Excellence in Jewish Education.

Rabbi Jacob was selected by a committee of educational leaders who reviewed nominations from a wide range of candidates. We are very fortunate to have Rabbi Jacob as an integral part of our community interacting with and serving as a role model the youth of our shul and are pleased to acknowledge his

professional accomplishments. Mazel Tov!

Youth Department News...

The regular Youth Shabbat Groups will take place throughout the summer.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in September!

Ashley and Rabbi Shimshon Jacob

Men's Club Update...

The nominating committee of the SSTC Men's Club nominates the following persons for the upcoming two year men's club term:

President
Seth Leeds

Vice Presidents
Brian Koppel
Dr. Howard Schulberg

Treasurer
David Helprin

Secretary
Ilan Simon

Director of Social Media
Jeff Minsky

Board Members at Large

Ari Roesenfeld
Avi Steiner

- Two types of kugel (choose from potato, Jerusalem, sweet noodle, salt and pepper, and broccoli)
- Fresh fruit platters
- Chocolate chip cookies and ruggelach

Netanya Kiddush Package - \$1050

- Tuna salad, chopped liver, OR gefilte fish platters
- Egg salad platters
- Pickled and Matjes herring platters
- Crackers
- Crudités with dip
- Cholent
- Two types of kugel (choose from potato, Jerusalem, sweet noodle, salt and pepper, and broccoli)
- Chocolate chip cookies and ruggelach

SSTC Kiddush Packages 2011

Do you have a special event to commemorate? Have you considered sponsoring a kiddush but didn't know where to start? SSTC is proud to introduce five kiddush "packages" to make sponsoring a kiddush quick and easy. Please contact Karen to reserve your date.

All packages include beverages and paper goods.
A la carte items may be added to any package.

Tel Aviv Kiddush Package - \$600

- Tuna salad, chopped liver, OR gefilte fish platters
- Egg salad platters
- Pickled and Matjes herring platters
- Crackers
- Crudités with dip
- Chips/pretzels and/or brownie bites/mini muffins

Haifa Kiddush Package - \$1,750

- Pickled and Matjes herring platters
- Crackers
- Crudités with dip
- Schnitzel with various dipping sauces
- Pasta primavera
- Toasted corn and red pepper salad with lime vinaigrette
- Cholent
- Sweet and sour meatballs

Jerusalem Kiddush Package - \$2,300

- Pickled and Matjes herring platters
- Crackers
- Crudités with dip
- Chicken Caesar salad
- Israeli salad
- Avocado, papaya, and yellow tomato salad
- Cholent
- One type of kugel (choose from potato, Jerusalem, sweet noodle, salt and pepper, and broccoli)
- Franks in jackets
- Hard salami platters
- Brownies and blondies
- Fresh fruit platters

Eilat Kiddush Package - \$1,900

- Seared 7-spice Ahi tuna served with Ponzu sauce, pickled ginger, wasabi
- Grilled teriyaki salmon served with papaya-mango relish and cucumber spaghetti
- Basil, toasted pine nut and parmesan pesto
- Tomatoes and fresh mozzarella served with fresh basil and extra virgin olive oil
- Greek salad (romaine, tomatoes, red onions, olives, cucumbers, tri-colored peppers, feta cheese with lemon parsley vinaigrette)

- Hard cheeses served with clusters of red and white grapes, crackers, Grissini breadsticks and flat breads
- Exotic fruit platters (melons, pineapple, raspberries, blackberries, strawberries, blueberries, kiwi, papaya, mango)



SSTC Sisterhood Gift Shop



Iris Berman
Early Childhood Center
Fundraiser

The Gift Shop is open for viewing during the day, Monday – Friday, from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM. For your convenience, after hour appointments can be made to view the merchandise and make purchases by contacting Hope Tafet, Sandy Katz or Ilene Sheris. Stop by and check out the beautiful items in the showcase. They also carry hot pots in stainless and white and cost \$75.00 each, and warming trays come in two different sizes. The small warming tray measures 20 x 12 and costs \$95.00. The large warming tray measures 24 x 20 and costs \$120.



vazu™ Gift Pack

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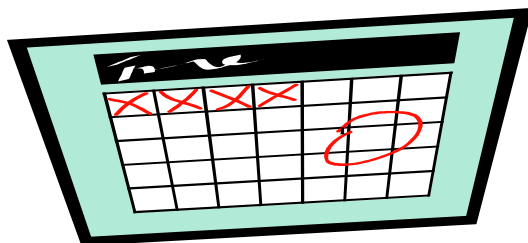


The Iris Berman Early Childhood Center is selling vazu vases from Israel. These wonderful vases make wonderful hostess gifts. Each vase comes in individual package and can be stored flat. There are four different patterns to choose from. Prices are \$10 each or 3 for \$25. To place your order for these vases, please contact Morah Sue at morahsueibns@aol.com.

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SYNAGOGUE OF THE SUBURBAN TORAH CENTER 2011– 2012 CALENDAR / LUACH 5771-72



We are beginning to assemble the Annual Synagogue Calendar, which we will publish and distribute in September. In our effort to finish the calendar on time, we ask you to kindly complete the bottom portion of this letter only if there are changes or additions that need to be made from last year's calendar. Although we are aware of many changes among our families (births, marriages, etc.), we need your input to ensure we do not miss anything and that all names and dates are correct. Please be aware that only members in good standing are eligible to participate in the calendar. If we do not receive any updated information from you on this form by August 15th, we will use the same information from last year's calendar.

All birthdays, anniversaries and yahrzeit information that are in this year's calendar automatically will be included on next year's calendar. If you are not sure of how your listings appear, please

check with the synagogue office. KINDLY E-MAIL OR SEND YOUR CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO THE SYNAGOGUE OFFICE NO LATER THAN AUGUST 15th to karen@suburbantorah.org.

Family name _____

PLEASE REPEAT THE SAME INFORMATION FROM LAST YEAR'S CALENDAR

I/We would like to add or make changes to the following names (please indicate the occasion i.e. birthday, anniversary, yahrtzeit and the civil date in English, not Hebrew). You may attach additional pages for more names.

<u>Family Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Occasion</u>	<u>Civil Date</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
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Email Address: Please give us an e-mail address at which you would prefer receiving synagogue information/updates _____

Daytime Tel. # _____

(Phone # and e-mail are for office use only, and will not be included in the calendar)



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