

## Consumer Alerts & Information

**Mott's Fruitations** - Please be advised that **Mott's Fruitations** bearing the KSA was produced with unauthorized grape juice. Products bearing production codes of June (e.g. BB/MA2010JN26) through September (e.g. BB/MA2010SEP21) should not be used.

**Electrolux & Frigidaire** freezers with Sabbath Mode features are not certified by Star-K. Whenever purchasing new appliances, we urge consumers to either check the Star-K website, [www.star-k.org/cons-appl.htm](http://www.star-k.org/cons-appl.htm), or call the Star-K at 410-484-4110.

**Best Square** - Please be advised that the milk products being marketed under this new label are under the supervision of the Star-K and Rabbi Mordechai Ungar. The products are Dairy and *Cholov Yisroel*.

**Philly Stix Swirl Stix** - This product bears a "DE" OU *Pareve* designation. The product is actually *Pareve*. The manufacturer included the "DE" OU designation because of concerns about dairy allergens which may be present in the plant. At this time, the OU does not have a "DE" designation.

**Bravos Nacho Cheese Tortilla Chips** - This product has been reformulated from non-kosher to kosher, and will now bear an OU-D symbol. The products are Dairy and non-*Cholov Yisroel*. If the product does not display the OU-D symbol it is NOT kosher.

**Instant Oatmeal Fruit & Cream Variety Pack** - Various brands including Richfood, Jewel, Shaw's, Flavorite, Shop 'N Save, Acme, Cub and Albertson's contain **Dairy** ingredients as listed on the ingredient panel. However, the Dairy designation has been inadvertently **omitted**, and only bears an OU symbol. Future packaging will be revised.

## Shmitta, Maaser and Teruma

**Shmitta Alert** - We have been informed that area fruit and vegetable stores are now selling cucumbers from Israel. There is presently no problem with *Shmitta* on fresh cucumbers. However, if the produce is not under a reliable *hashgacha*, one is still required to take *Teruma* and *Maaser*. Israeli produce is usually identified by a sign or sticker on the fruit and/or vegetable. Consumers should always be careful when buying any produce and should follow through with the proper procedures when purchasing produce from Israel.

**Alei Katif California** - Vegetable and herb products from Alei Katif grown in California have been found to be infested with a type of infestation that is not remedied through rinsing and washing the product. Consequently, we advise the public to refrain from using Alei Katif brand from California until further notice. Products from California bear the words "California Grown" on the bag. **Please Note:** Alei Katif products grown in *Eretz Yisroel* are not affected by this notice and may be used as per the instructions on the bag. This alert only applies to Alei Katif California.

## Community Information

**Public Notice:** Anyone in need of *shofar* blowing during the *Yomim Noraim* may contact Rabbi Juravel at 410-358-9215.

**Chevrah Lomdei Mishnah** is offering a pamphlet called *Final Prayers*, which includes *Prayers to Recite During One's Final Hours* and *Prayers for Those In The Presence of Someone's Passing*. For more information call 732-364-7029.

**Shaatnez Notice:** Over the years, Star-K has been storing various forgotten articles of clothing that had been brought for *shaatnez* checking. Any items that remain unclaimed will be donated to *tzedakah* after *Sukkos*.

Mincha at the STAR-K office building is Mon. - Thurs. at 1:50 p.m.