CHODOSH BULLETIN-July 11, 2022

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(1) Chodosh Texts and Hotline

The Guide to Chodosh now provides a texting service. Questions can be texted to the service at 914-522-0096 and will be answered by text each evening, Sunday-Thursday. The texts are not looked at on Fridays. Texting service will resume July 18. At the same time, the Chodosh Hotline will be answered on a limited basis. Beginning August 1st, questions will be answered twice a week, on Sunday and Wednesday nights. Questions can be called in to the hotline at 718-305-5133.

(2) Planned publication schedule for next season's Guide

As in the past, we plan BS"D to publish a preliminary brief edition of the Guide as soon as possible at the beginning of the new Chodosh season, approximately early September. This should have enough information to start the new season, including preliminary Chodosh dates and package codes for many packaged goods. The full Guide is planned to be published after Sukkos, to give Mashgichim ample time to forward their hashgocho information to us. This will be mailed out to paid subscribers and be available by email.

(3) New deadlines for hashgocho certification to be included in the Guide

From its inception, the mode of operation of the Guide was to seek out individual hashgochos and actively seek from them their Yoshon certifications. Most Mashgichim were interested in helping, but Yoshon was not their primary job responsibility. This often made the task of gathering Yoshon hashgocho information very time consuming, involving the need for frequent follow-up reminders and phone calls. Due to the increase in the scope of this task and the limitations in manpower, we will no longer be able to make such repeated calls to Mashgichim and hashogocho organizations as in the past. Instead, we have notified them of the deadlines by which they need to provide their certification information to be included in the Guide to Chodosh. For this new forthcoming season, the deadline for inclusion in the first, preliminary Guide will be Aug 1 '22. For the second and final Guide it will be Sept 19 '22. Late submissions will result in omission from the upcoming guide. Note that the Guide does not charge for having any products listed. This is a service provided freeof-charge to both the Yoshon-observant public and the manufacturers. Therefore, we ask all hashgochos to please cooperate for the mutual benefit of the public and their paying clients.

(4) How to subscribe to have the printed material mailed to you

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(5) Preliminary estimates for the start of the new Chodosh season.

We give the following early estimates of when the new Chodosh season is expected to start, based on the experience of earlier years and this year's harvest reports.

Please note that this year's planting is significantly delayed and it is unsure how that will affect the harvest.

-Oats products may be Chodosh toward the end of July.

-Spring wheat products may be Chodosh towards the middle of August. This includes bread, challahs, rolls bagels and pizza made in local bakeries.

<u>Barley</u> (pearled barley used, for example in cholent) could be Chodosh by the middle of August.

Several sources have warned me that there may be shortages of Yoshon grain this year. Please stock up in advance!

The above are preliminary estimates. We hope to have updates on this by email, after the harvest of the Chodosh crop starts, in the end of July.

(6) An appeal for donations

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