

Good Yom Tov & Good Shabbos to Everyone!!

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Welcome to Nusach Hari B'nai Zion
Yom Kippur & Shabbos, September 18

Bruchim Habayim
10 Tishrei 5771



May We All Be Sealed in the Book of Life for a Healthy, Happy Year!!!

★ **Thank You to Harold & Jessica Fadem** for the beautiful floral arrangements that adorn our Bimah for Yom Kippur. We are grateful to Harold & Jessica for their generosity in helping to beautify our shul every Rosh Hashana & Yom Kippur.

★ **Davening -- Yom Kippur**

★ **Thank You For Leading Davening:**

KOL NIDRE: Dr. Ethan Schuman - 6:45 p.m.

YOM KIPPUR DAY:

★ **Pesukei D'Zimra:** Menachem Szus - 8:00 a.m.

★ **Shacharis:** Elie Needle - 8:30 a.m.

★ **Leyning:** Elie Needle - 10:55 a.m.; ★ **Haftorah:** Victor Grossman - 11:30 a.m.

★ **Drasha:** Rabbi Ze'ev Smason - 11:45 a.m.; ★ **Yizkor:** 12:15 p.m.

★ **Musaf:** Dr. Ethan Schuman - 1:00 p.m.

★ **Mincha:** Elie Needle - 5:00 p.m.; ★ **Haftorah:** Mayer Taller

★ **Neilah:** Dr. Ethan Schuman - 6:30 p.m.

★ **Shofar:** Rabbi Ze'ev Smason - 7:53 p.m.; ★ **Kiddush Levana:** - 7:56 p.m.



★ **KID FRIENDLY** child care program on Yom Kippur Day from 10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. with **SNACKS, DRINKS & LUNCH** for the children. Thanks to **Nina Levine** for planning the children's programming for Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur.

★ **LEARNERS' SERVICE** YOM KIPPUR DAY, Shabbos, September 18, in our Chapel from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. led by **Rabbi Yonason Goldson**, of Aish Ha Torah and Block Yeshiva High. We will also have a Youth service on Yom Kippur day to be held in the rear building and led by **Gershie Meisel**, the new coordinator of NCSY (National Council of Synagogue Youth) & JSU (Jewish Student Union) organizations. Gershie will also be working closely with our shul in promoting youth activities.

★ **Shacharis, Mincha and Maariv ~ Shabbos, September 18 through Friday, September 24:**

	Shabbos	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Shacharis	★8:00	8:00	7:00	7:00	7:00	★★9:00	★★9:00
Mincha	★5:00	6:35	6:35	6:35	★★6:35	★★6:35	★★6:35
	★Yom Kippur				★★Sukkos		

★ **It is customary** to make a contribution to the synagogue for honors received during the holidays. We appreciate receiving your donations very much.

★ **A Very Big Thank You to ~ Avi & Gila Needle** for making a generous donation to cover our baby-sitting program for Rosh Hashana & Yom Kippur!!

★ **Men's Mikvah Times** for the upcoming holidays are posted on the lobby bulletin board.

★ **A Reminder from Rabbi Smason** ~ A warm, brief greeting of 'Good Yom Tov or Good Shabbos' during services enhances our experience at shul. Members are encouraged to make guests and visitors feel at home. However, I respectfully request that any continual conversation not take place until the conclusion of services. During the time of services conversation should only take place outside of the Sanctuary.



★ **Sukkos, Shemini Atzeres, Simchas Torah & Festivities**

Sukkos: Wednesday night, Thursday & Friday, September 22, 23 & 24

Chol Hamoed Sukkos: Shabbos, Sunday, Monday & Tuesday, September 25, 26, 27 & 28

Hoshana Rabba: Wednesday, September 29

Shemini Atzeres: Wednesday night & Thursday, September 29 & 30

SIMCHAS TORAH HAKOFOS: Thursday night, September 30 at 7:00 p.m.



SIMCHAS TORAH SPAGHETTI DINNER - Please join us for Hakofos on Simchas Torah night - Thursday night, September 30, at 7:00 p.m. We will take a break between Hakofos for an All-You-Can-Eat Spaghetti Dinner FREE to everyone. Reservations are a MUST. Sisterhood will provide delicious candy apples for everyone, and there will be flags for all the children. **Thanks to our sponsors: Bob & Sandie Abrams, Lenny & Fran Alper, Andy & Ellen Berg, Craig & Jackie Berkin, Sam & Shirley Blustein, Drs. Susan Feigenbaum & Jay Pepose, Alan & Janet Haber, Bob & Joni Kaiser, Ted & Rachael Pevnick, Mark Ragin & Gail Rose, David & Fran Reisler, Irwin & Roz Rosen, Sid & Phyllis Silverman, Gary & Trudy Sudin, and thanks to newbies this year - Ruth Alper, Kenny Bressler & Esther Gelb!!!**

SIMCHAS TORAH DAY: Friday, October 1

SIMCHAS TORAH LUNCHEON

We will have our third annual Simchas Torah Day luncheon on Friday, October 1st. Services will conclude at 12:30 p.m. followed by Kiddush as usual. We will then have the luncheon at a cost of \$10.00 per adult, \$5.00 for kids 6-10, and FREE to kids 5 & under. If you would like to join us for lunch, please call our office, 314-991-2100 ext. 5. Reservations and pre-payment are a MUST!

☆ **NHBZ Coming Events & Dates to Remember**

☆ **SHABBOS FESTIVITIES, EVENTS & ACTIVITIES:**

☆ **KABBALAT SHABBAT** with Aryeh Needle Friday night, October 15, 6:00 p.m.

☆ **OCTOBER LUNCH & LEARN** in honor of our friends celebrating October Birthdays & Wedding Anniversaries on Shabbos, October 16.

☆ **KABBALAT SHABBAT with Argeh Needle** Friday night, November 12

☆ **FRIDAY NIGHT SHABBOS DINNER** following services, November 12.

☆ **SYNAPLEX SHABBAT** Always interesting topics and dynamic speakers to nourish your mind; then enjoy Shabbos lunch in honor of our friends celebrating November Birthdays & Wedding Anniversaries on Shabbos, November 13.



☆ **1st Ever NHBZ GOLF TOURNAMENT** This Monday, September 20th at Normandie Golf Club!! \$150 per player or 4-player team for \$500. Check-in & registration at 9:00 a.m. The tournament begins at 10:00 a.m. Lunch is provided. We will also have a **"Shootout for the Shul" Hole-In-One Contest** with the Grand Prize of a 2011 Chevy Camaro sponsored by Elco Chevrolet Cadillac. "Golfer-Gofers" (volunteers) will be needed 8:30-10:00 a.m. to help with the coffee & donut station, to set up registration to sign the golfers in, and to hand out gift bags. Additional golfer-gofers will be needed 9:50 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. to rotate time slots to monitor the hole-in one contest throughout the golfing time, and 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. to drive a beverage cart and deliver box lunches to the golfers, and later for awards, etc. The afternoon should wind up around 3:00 p.m. Please **contact Bobby Levine, 602-1796 or rxlevine@charter.net**, to sign up for the volunteer time slot that will fit into your schedule (**you don't have to sign up for the whole day; sign up for one or more hours**). And please tell all of your 'golfer friends to come!!!



☆ **PIZZA IN THE HUT** Sunday, September 26.

5:00-7:00 p.m.

All-You-Can-Eat Buffet

Pizza, Spaghetti, Garlic Bread & Salad plus Dessert & Beverage

Kids 3 & under: FREE Kids 4-10: \$6.00 Adults: \$10.00

☆ **Executive Committee Meeting** - Tuesday, September 28. Minyan at 6:25 p.m.; Meeting at 7:30 p.m.

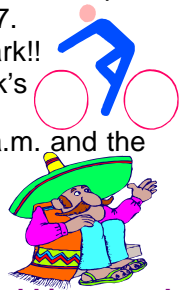
☆ **The Irvin Alper Social Club** Sunday, October 3, 6:00 p.m. Come and enjoy dinner and good friends plus a movie, play cards or just shmooze. Speak to Ruth Alper for details and reservations, 314-569-2877.

☆ **2010 RABBI RIDE-AROUND RALLY & PICNIC** Sunday, October 10, in Forest Park!!

This is a fundraising & social event -- Sponsor Rabbi Smason's 50-Mile Ride Around Forest Park's bike trail: We ask for a minimum pledge of 25c per mile, which makes a total \$12.50 donation; 50c = \$25; \$1.00 = \$50; \$2.00 = \$100.00!!! Come and have some fun!! The ride begins at 8:30 a.m. and the picnic is scheduled for 12:30 p.m. Call our office, 314-991-2100, ext. 2 to make your pledge.

☆ **Carry Out PIZZA NIGHT** Wednesday, October 13. Deadline to order: noon of that day.

☆ **6th Annual KOSHER CHILI COOKOFF** Sunday, November 21st!! It's not too early to get your team together!! Go to our website, www.nhbz.org, for your 2010 entry form and rules.



☆ **Multi-Family Sale!!** Please give your **furniture, books, lamps, household items and knick-knacks** in **good** condition, for the Shul's Multi-Family Sale in the Fall; **gently used** clothes that are still nice enough to wear (**very clean PLEASE, no stains or damages** please!) For drop-off times and questions about the sale, please call Esther Gelb, 567-1683.

☆ **We are proud to present our Honorees for 2010 ~**

Honorees, **Joann Raskas & Ron Rosen**. And a new Youth Service Award to recipients **Alex Lyss and Jack Lyss**. Joann Raskas and Ron Rosen are the benefactors and inspiration of the monthly "night out" that has delighted the entire Jewish community--**Our Lion's Den Pizza Night at Nusach Hari B'nai Zion!!!** They donated our very first pizza oven!!! This outstanding good deed launched the project that has surpassed our expectations, and continues to provide a venue for kosher meals and family fun! Alex and Jack Lyss are two extraordinary young men who have immersed themselves in shul life and have endeared themselves to everyone at NHBZ. The list of the good deeds performed by Alex and Jack Lyss is impressive - from regularly leyning (reading) the Torah, to choosing a service project for our shul to complete their Eagle Scout program, Alex and Jack exemplify the best in today's youth ~ learning, building & preparing for the future. It is with great pleasure that we give well-deserved honor to these wonderful people on Sunday, December 12, 2010. We have chosen to create an elegant, elaborate evening at our current location - 8630 Olive Blvd., to bid a fond farewell in a grand manner to the "old" as we prepare to move into our new home in 2011. You have received the Ad Journal order forms. Please respond with your business ads, or greetings & messages to our honorees.

☆ **Kashrus Alert from the OU Pace Products:** Chipotle Salsa, Chunky Salsa, Chunky Salsa - Hot/Med./Mild, Chunky Salsa with Cilantro, Lime & Garlic, Picante Sauce, Picante Sauce - Hot/Med./Mild, Roasted Pepper & Garlic Salsa and Salsa Dip. **These products are no longer certified by the OU or the KOAOA.**

It's Sukkah Raising Time at NHBZ!!!

We need MANY HANDS!
Tomorrow, September 19
Minyan ~ 8:00 a.m.
Raising the Sukkah ~ 9:00 a.m.

**MANY HANDS
MAKE LIGHT WORK!!!
HELPERS SO FAR:
ALAN HABER
MENACHEM SZUS**

Beyond Twelve Gates

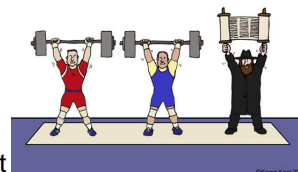
by Rabbi Ze'ev Smason

'Beyond Twelve Gates' refers to a beautiful concept taught by the great mystic *Rabbi Isaac Luria* (1534-1572), also known as 'The Ari'. There exist twelve gates of prayers in Heaven — one for each tribe of Israel. Additionally, there exists a Heavenly thirteenth gate. Through this gate the prayers of all Jews regardless of tribe, Jewish education or level of observance are allowed to enter and are heard by G-d.

Welcome to Beyond Twelve Gates. Mark Spitz, the seven-time gold medalist swimmer at the 1972 Olympics, is Jewish. So is Dolph Schayes, honored as one of the 50 greatest NBA players of all time. Then there's Sandy Koufax. His refusal to play on Yom Kippur in 1965 sparked a firestorm of criticism and philosophical debate, since the holiday fell during Game 1 of the World Series. But Koufax came back to start three times, including a complete-game shutout in Game 5 and a three-hit shutout on just two days rest in Game 7, which clinched the Series for the Dodgers. Koufax's decision to put his religious beliefs ahead of his pitching career enhanced his legacy, giving him Jewish folk hero status. It may be that because of Sandy Koufax, many Jews made a commitment to take the day off every Yom Kippur. While few of us are as well known as Koufax, we shouldn't underestimate our ability to be a positive influence upon others. The expression "Little pitchers have big ears" reminds us that our children watch us and listen to our words with rapt attention even when we think they aren't looking or listening. And it's not just our children who are paying attention. We have an impact on the lives of so many people, even on strangers, without even realizing it. As G-d inscribes us in the Book of Life, may we make beautiful impressions on those who are living.

Torah Readings for Yom Kippur

On the morning of Yom Kippur, the Torah reading is from Leviticus 16:1-34. This portion describes the service performed on Yom Kippur by the **Kohen Gadol** (high priest) in the Holy Temple in Jerusalem. A special feature of the service was the casting of lots over two goats — equal in size and appearance — to determine which should be offered to G-d in the Holy Temple, and which should be sent away to carry off the sins of Israel to the wilderness ('the scapegoat'). The climax of the service was when the **Kohen Gadol** entered the innermost chamber in the Temple, the 'Holy of Holies.' Wearing special garments of pure white linen, the **Kohen Gadol** would enter the sacred place with a pan of burning coals in his right hand, and a ladle containing an exact handful of **ketores** (incense) in his left. Inside the Holy of Holies, he would place the **ketores** over the coals, wait for the room to fill with its aromatic smoke, and hastily retreat. "This shall be an everlasting statute for you," the Torah reading concludes. "...for on this day He will forgive you, to purify you, that you be cleansed from all your sins before G-d once a year." **In the afternoon**, the Torah reading is from Leviticus 18:1-30. The portion deals with forbidden sexual relationships, teaching that the cornerstone of morality is self-control over animal sensuality. The special Haftarah of the book of Jonah is then read. Though most know that a large fish swallowed Jonah, the message of Jonah is actually a timeless lesson in the power of **teshuva** (repentance) and G-d's desire to help man rather than punish him.



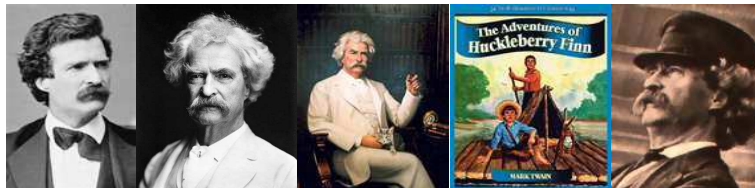
Rabbinic Ruminations

The beginning of a meaningful Yom Kippur depends upon being able to admit our past mistakes. Excusiology — the inability to admit our guilt — has been around for a long time, and things haven't changed much over the past 5,771 years. We usually say that the sin of Adam and Eve was because they disobeyed G-d's instructions not to eat from the fruit of the Tree of Knowledge. But on closer analysis, they weren't punished immediately after their colossal mistake. G-d engaged Adam in conversation, giving him the opportunity to admit what he did. Adam didn't accept this opportunity. Instead he said, "the woman who you gave to me - she gave me of the tree and I ate." Adam avoided responsibility for his sin, shifting it onto Eve. Then G-d turned to Eve, also giving her a chance to repent. However, she too declined the offer, saying, "the serpent deceived me and I ate. Only then did G-d punish them for the sin. It's clear that had they taken responsibility for their actions when G-d confronted them that the punishment would have been far lighter. Who knows how different the course of history might have been? And incredibly, Adam even blamed G-d for his mistake. He said, "The woman you gave me caused me to eat." Talk about being an Excusiologist!



Quote of the Week ~ Mark Twain

I don't know of a single foreign product that enters this country untaxed, except the answer to prayer.



Joke of the Week

Yossel was a golf addict who awoke early one crisp, cool morning. It was a perfect day for a round of golf but it also happened to be Yom Kippur. After a great struggle with his conscience, he decided that he could squeeze in just a few quick holes before going to services. Yossel lived close to the course and he got there soon after it opened. Taking his clubs out of his locker, he headed for the first tee. An angel happened to be looking down from heaven and saw Yossel on the golf course. Disturbed, he reported it to G-d, suggesting that G-d teach him a lesson that he would never forget. G-d agreed. Yossel played the first hole and shot a birdie; on the second hole he shot an eagle, and then on the third hole, the toughest par four on the course, he got a hole-in-one! The angel turned to G-d and asked, "I thought you were going to teach Yossel a lesson. This is a lesson?" G-d replied, "Think about it—now who can he tell?"

Thanks for reading 'Beyond Twelve Gates'. Comments, questions, requests to be added to our email list, or better jokes, can be sent to Rabbi Smason at Pepshort613@gmail.com or adarabba@hotmail.com. Care to know more about Nusach Hari B'nai Zion Congregation? Check us out at www.nhbz.org If you enjoyed Beyond Twelve Gates, please share with a friend. Thanks to Alan Haber for his assistance in distributing BTG.

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★ Learning at NHBZ & with Rabbi Smason

★ Weekly Learning ~

★ **Boys' Shabbos Study Group** With Rabbi Smason for boys ages 10-14 each Shabbos, **30 minutes** before Mincha. **Group will resume next Shabbos, September 25.**

★ **Shabbos Study Group** Each Shabbos one hour before Mincha. **Group will resume next Shabbos, September 25.** Studying Tanach (currently, Melachim Bet - Kings II) and Pirkei Avos, led by **Menachem Szus**; **Everyone at any level of learning is welcome.**

★ **Sunday Learning** Mishna Shiur every Sunday. **Rabbi Chanan Swidler**, of Aish HaTorah, leads a study of the Mishna following Sunday morning services. Davening at 8:00 a.m. followed by Mishna study.

★ **RAP with the RABBI** Teen Group with **Rabbi Smason** will meet on Sunday mornings at 9:15 a.m. in his office.

★ **Rabbi Smason's Lunch & Learn** Wed., 12:15 pm, in the auditorium. Insights for daily living from the weekly Torah portion. The class will not meet on Wednesdays before Sukkos and Shemini Atzeres/Simchas Torah -- September 22 & 29.

★ Monthly Learning ~

★ **NHBZ Women's Home Study Group ~ "Women of Valor ~ Our Biblical Mothers"** presented by **Rabbi Shaya Mintz**, of the St. Louis Kollel. The group meets on the first Tuesday of the month. We will not have a class in September. **Next class Tuesday, October 5, 2:30 p.m.**, at the home of **Jackie Berkin**. All women are welcome. Please join us!!!

★ **The Morris Lengua Yiddish Club** meets on the 1st Thursday of each month, at 7:30 p.m. in the Joe Rothman Auditorium. **Next Date Thursday, October 7th, 7:30 p.m.** Join us for a spirited & enjoyable hour filled with Yiddish stories and songs, fun and laughter, **keeping Yiddish alive!** Seasoned "mayvens" (experts), as well as novices are invited!!

★ Melton Classes

Rabbi Smason's Schedule of Classes:

High Holiday Series:

Tuesdays at CAJE 7-8:30 p.m.

September 21 — Sukkot: Gimme Shelter

Hoshanah Rabbah Lunch and Learn

Wednesday, September 29, At the home of Cyndee Levy, 333 Mason Road, 63141

10:30-11:30 a.m. **What is Hoshana Rabbah?** with Rabbi Smason

11:30-Noon Lunch (dietary laws observed)

Bereshit 2: Stories of the First Jewish Family (Melton Scholar Series)

The stories take us from Creation through the Foundational stories of Abraham and Sarah. The themes of family and faith, honor, passion and power provide a rich exploration of our foundations with Rabbi Ze'ev Smason at Nusach Hari B'nai Zion.

Tuesdays 11:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m.

20 Sessions beginning October 5

TCP credit: Bible & Commentaries 10 credits

Felicia Graber's Schedule of Classes:

The Holocaust as Reflected in Dairies and Memoirs

(Melton Scholar Series) A literary journey that brings remarkable first person accounts as insight into the struggle for life as writers describe day-to-day life coping in the ghettos, imprisoned in the death camps, hiding on the run, and fighting for their lives with Felicia Graber at Nusach Hari B'nai Zion Congregation. Register through CAJE: Contact Cyndee Levy clvey@cajestl.org, or call 314-442-3754 (office), 314-503-2899 (cell).. Scholarships are available.

Thursdays 10:30 - Noon

10 sessions beginning October 7

Fee: \$175; Book Fee: \$36

TCP: 7.5 credits in Jewish History

**MAZEL TOV
ON SIMCHAS THE WEEK OF
September 18-24!**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

**Jackie Berkin
Adrienne Breen**

**Happy Anniversary
None This Week!!**

Show your friends you care ~ SEND A TRIBUTE!
Shul: Call Gloria Waxman, 314-872-3296
Sisterhood: Call Phyllis Silverman, 314-434-2482
Libby Needle Fund: Sally Needle, 314-991-2575

**MUST R-S-V-P
for 2 EVENTS!!
314-991-2100, ext. 5**



**SIMCHAS TORAH
Spaghetti Dinner & Auction
FREE TO ALL**
Spaghetti ~ Sandie's Salad ~ Garlic Bread
~ Candy Apples ~
Thursday Night, Sept. 30, between Hakafos

**Simchas Torah
Luncheon**

SIMCHAS TORAH DAY ~ Friday, October 1
Services will conclude at 12:30 p.m.
Join us for Kiddush, free to all as usual . . .
then enjoy a wonderful lunch of
Deee-licious Stuffed Cabbage
& Hot Dogs for Kids
Baba's To-Die-For Killer Potatoes
Cole Slaw Green Bean Salad
Dessert & Beverages
Adults: \$10.00 Kids: 6-10: \$5.00
Kids 5 & Under: FREE